

Strong start for Team Neon



Team Neon cheerleaders include Madeleine Albert, Mackenzie Almy, Kelsea Anderson, Kaylee Arsenault, Anna Belleau, Jayden Blais, Kylie Danforth, Jada Deah, Hannah Dube, Isabelle Dube, Adeline Fabian, Lauren Fletcher, Mackenzie Grenier, Ella Houghton, Katelyn Ingerson, Lola Jones, Bella Keneborous, Katie Lavallee, Emilie Levasseur, Abigail Levasseur, Reese Maynard, Libby McIntyre, Kali Monteiro, Sage Moore, Maddie Morgan, Sydni Rice, Kendra Wood and Jillian Wilde. The team is coached by Kassandra Bowen, Collin Hamel and Element All Stars owner Matt Hanley.

After kicking off its season in January, Team Neon of Element All Stars, a local competitive All Star Cheering Program, is on track for another successful campaign. After an impressive first season last year, the squad, con-

sisting of 27 girls ages 9 to 14, has moved up in class to the Large Level 2 Junior Division, where they now compete against accomplished teams from throughout New England and the East Coast.

To date, Team Neon

has performed in three regional competitions, finishing runner up at the Northeast Knockout in Worcester in early January, where they also won the D3 Cheering Championship, awarded to

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Chili & Chowder Challenge

The 13th annual Chili & Chowder Taste Challenge to benefit Gov. James B. Longley Elementary School and the Green Ladle Scholarship Fund will take place on Tuesday, April 5 at the Ramada Conference Center at 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Doors

will open at 5:30 p.m. and awards will be presented at 7:30. The first 100 people to arrive will receive a complimentary set of pot holders.

Those attending will enjoy chili and chowder from area restaurants and may cast a vote for their choice for the People's

Choice Award. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$5 for children under age 10.

They may be purchased at the door or in advance until April 4 at Longley Elementary School, the Lewiston Sun Journal, the L.R.T.C. Culinary Arts Center and participating restaurants.



Student choreography in spotlight this weekend



Bates College's annual Spring Dance Concert features student performances of senior thesis projects in choreography and work by composition students. Program A will be presented on Friday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. and again on Sunday, April 3 at 2 p.m.; Program B will be presented on Saturday, April 2 at 5 p.m. and again on Monday, April 4 at 7:30 p.m. The venue is the college's Schaeffer Theatre at 329 College Street in Lewiston. The suggested donation is \$5. For more information, call 786-6161. To reserve tickets, see www.batestickets.com.

City seeks applicants for Youth Advisory Council

The City of Lewiston is now seeking applicants for the 2016-17 Lewiston Youth Advisory Council, whose year

of service will run from July of 2016 to July of 2017. The Council was established by the Lewiston City Council

in October of 2001 and has since received local, state, and national recognition. The LYAC works on projects that enhance the community and empowers its youth while serving as a liaison between community youth and city officials and administrators.

Lewiston residents who are high school or home schooled students entering grades 9 through 12 in the upcoming academic year are eligible to apply. Current members may re-apply. The deadline to apply is May 9. Applications are available at Lewiston High School, St. Dominic Academy, Lewiston Middle School, the Lewiston City Administrator's Office at 27 Pine Street, and at www.lewistonmaine.gov/lyac.

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

“Annuities – The Personal Pension Plan” at CMCC

The Corporate and Community Services Department at Central Maine Community College will offer a single evening workshop called “Annuities – The Personal Pension Plan” on Wednesday, April 6 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The April offering of the Maine Money Academy, a monthly financial series at CMCC, this two-hour workshop will focus on helping you navigate the different types of annuities, which can provide lifelong income similar to Social Security and pensions. The workshop will cover basic strategies on how to determine the right type of annuity; develop a real-life financial illustration; and generate an income

Accenting Your Health

“Pump It Up: Living With Heart Failure” will be the subject of a two-part Accenting Your Health presentation set for April 5 and 12 at the Central Maine Heart and Vascular Institute in Lewiston.

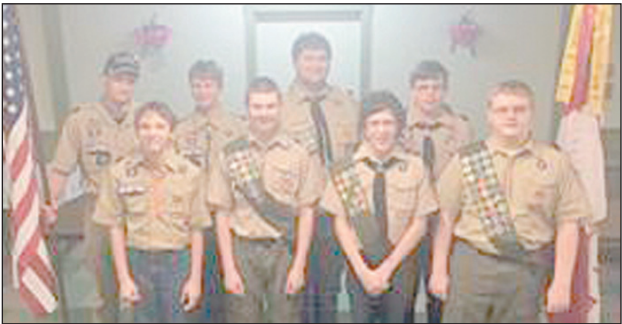
These educational sessions are for those who have been diagnosed with heart failure, as well as report based on an assumed rate of return and future income needs.

The cost for the session is \$19. Space is limited and the deadline to register is April 1. For more information, contact Corporate & Community Services at 755-5280 or training@cmcc.edu. To register online, see www.cmcc.edu/ccs.

for those who provide support for someone with the condition. Session One on April 5 is called “What Is Heart Failure and How Do You Manage It?” and Session Two on April 12 is called “Keys to Healthy Eating, Staying Active and Coping Effectively.” Both sessions will take place from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the first-floor conference room in the Young Wing, located at 60 High Street in Lewiston.

There is no cost for the presentations. Interpreter services are available upon advance request. Those interested in attending the program are urged to register in advance by calling 795-8448, or emailing prevention@cmhc.org.

Troop 007 to serve Ham Dinner



Proceeds will support the troop’s participation in a Citizenship Trek to Philadelphia and Washington D.C.

Local Boy Scout Troop 007, which currently has six scouts working toward their Eagle Badges, will present a home-cooked Ham Dinner on Saturday, April 2, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the West Auburn Congregation Church, 811 West Auburn Road in Auburn. The meal will include beans, macaroni and cheese, casseroles, veg-

etables, salad, side dishes, desserts and beverages. The cost will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children; there will be no charge for those under age 5. Meals may also be purchased for take-away. Proceeds will help fund the troop’s participation in a Citizenship Trek to Philadelphia and Washington D.C. Donations are welcome and may be sent to Donna Cote at 432 So. Main Street, Mechanic Falls, Maine 04256.

Local photographer takes ribbons at state expo

Award-winning local photographer Jim Walker submitted four entries to the Maine Professional Photographers Association’s annual Print Competition, held recently in conjunction with the MPPA’s 67th annual Photographic Exposition, Convention and Trade Show in Portland. Two of the entries scored Blue Ribbons and the other two received Red Ribbons. Walker plans to submit prints to the PPA’s International Photography Competition in May, where he expects to exceed these scores. Competition hones the skills of the professional photographer so that client work is always improving. Walker, who is on the Board of Directors of the Maine Professional Photographers Association, was also awarded the President’s Service Award at the convention.

Walker still has slots open for the Operation Smiles benefit mini-sessions on April 2. If you would like to have yourself or a family member photographed on that day for \$25, contact him at 650-0200 or walkerj@megalink.net. All proceeds will benefit Operation Smiles.

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Dr. Matthew McLaughlin is a physiatrist and is board-certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation, pain management and electrodiagnostic medicine. He joined CMO as the Medical Director of Maine Spinecare in May, 2013.



Sean Shields, PT, DPT is the Center Manager for Select Physical Therapy. He is highly experienced in treating orthopedic conditions/injuries, sports injuries, pediatric conditions, and neurological disorders/conditions. Sean is golf analysis certified through Titleist Performance Institute.



Allan Menne is in his seventh season at the Poland Spring Country Club as the PGA Golf Professional. He has competed in eight PGA Tour events, and many regional events and mini-tours over the years, and was the Connecticut Section PGA Champion in 1995.

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Governor's Address: Reducing student debt and lowering the cost of education requires bold policy changes

Businesses in Maine need highly skilled workers, and college graduates need to start their careers without the crushing burden of student debt.

Dear Maine Taxpayer, Reducing the debt that our young people are saddled with just as they are beginning their careers is too important to get lost in partisan politics. For the first time in more than a century-and-a-half, Maine's population has begun to drop, rather than grow. Maine is now the oldest state in the nation.

For Maine to become prosperous again, we need to make it easier for our graduates to stay in Maine and attract talented young

people to our beautiful state. We can help by relieving the burden of student debt for those who want to stay in Maine or choose to relocate here and start their professional careers.

Maine's recent college graduates have among the highest average student debt in the nation, as well as the highest delinquency rate in the Northeast. High student loan payments prevent our young people from buying a house or a car or spending their money at local businesses.

To help provide relief for new college graduates, there are three bills now before the legislature. These bills would give businesses a tax credit for every stu-



Governor Paul R. LePage

dent loan payment they make for employees who choose to stay in Maine. They would also create a new low-interest student loan program through the Finance Authority of Maine to encourage new graduates to work in our great state.

These efforts will be well worth the investment and will pay huge dividends for Maine by encouraging young people to come here and reverse our declining population.

If a student loan has a 6.5% interest rate over 10 years, the student would pay \$450 a month and a total of \$14,500 in interest. With the FAME loan, the student would pay \$333 a month and no interest. If a business makes the loan payment for the student, the student would pay zero in principal and interest. The business gets a dollar-for-dollar tax credit, and the student gets more money to spend in the local economy.

In addition to these three bills, we must think outside the box. We must ask ourselves why the cost of education is so expensive. That's why we have created a Blue Ribbon Commission to determine how to lower the cost of public education and improve student performance. The commission will analyze data from all public secondary and post-secondary schools that receive state funding. For too long, the Legislature has thrown money at education without

asking any questions. The goal of this Commission will be to find some answers.

When a bill seeks an increase in education spending, I always ask if it puts our students first. If it's yes, it's good public policy and a worthy investment.

I believe we are on the right path to fixing education.

Thank You,
Paul R. LePage
Governor

Team

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the top Small Gym; taking the division title at the Athletic Cheer Championships in Boston, earning them a coveted bid to the 2016 Summit Cheering Championships at Walt Disney World Resorts in Orlando, Florida; and achieving a top four result at the Spirit

LYAC

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A selection committee will review all applications, conduct interviews, and appoint up to fifteen members to the council by the last Friday in June. Selected applicants will be notified and then officially appointed during a July 2016 Lewiston City Council meeting. For more information on the Lewiston Youth Advisory Council, see www.lewiston-maine.gov/lyac.

Festival Nationals in Hartford, CT.

Next up is a trip to the Midwest World Bid National Championships in Columbus, OH. The

team will then compete in Worcester and at the University of New Hampshire before rounding out the season at the Summit Cheering Championships in

Florida. Fundraising is now underway so the girls can attend. If you would like to sponsor the team or make a donation, find Element All Star Cheering on Facebook.



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Shop local, volunteer and go for a run—or walk

By Jonathan P. LaBonté
MAYOR OF AUBURN

Discussion about how to grow our economy here in Auburn is likely to be a centerpiece of the budget debate this year. New businesses, expanding existing companies and investment in property are all ways that the city generates revenues to fund services, invest in schools and maintain our aging infrastructure like roads and sidewalks.

There are lots of approaches to work on growing an economy, and some folks may try to peddle to the taxpayer a laundry list of services that you better provide to make it happen. As much as I'd like to get into that now, I will save it until later in the budget process. For now, let's talk about how you, as citizens, can help us grow! The communities that are our peers in the Northeast, and even those that are our size nationally, that have



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been growing since the end of the recession have been communities with a few

things in common: a strong foundation of small, local businesses and a community that is healthy, physically active and walkable. So what might you do as we turn to spring here in Auburn? Shop local. Volunteer. And go for a walk. First off, shopping local. Just this past weekend, a group of local small businesses set up shop at the historic Engine House across from the Auburn Public Library and promot-

ed buying locally made and sold products. The turnout looked great as I walked through, and I hope this type of event happens again soon. Locally owned small businesses are more likely to source materials locally and hire local contractors to do their work—and they are often the first to donate to local causes. Supporting your neighbors' business is one way you can help us grow Auburn.

Next, volunteer. Communities that rank among the most walkable and physically active have been known to attract not only retired baby-boomers, but also young professionals and young families. When someone "from away" visits here, their first impression of our city can determine whether they come back, whether they consider investing or even if they might consider calling Auburn home. To provide that "curb appeal," there are two great local programs you could consider signing up for: Park Watch from the Auburn Police Department and Trail Stewardship from the Androscoggin Land Trust/LA Trails.

Both of these programs train volunteers to be the eyes and ears at our city and neighborhood parks and trails, helping to clean up trash and litter, but also organizing volunteer workdays to tackle bigger improvement projects. Volunteers of all skill levels are needed, and I know that hundreds of residents and employees of areas businesses offer their time and talents to do this.

By spending just a few hours a month, you can make a huge difference, and you'll meet other citizens of Auburn who care about improving our community as much as you do. You could join the ranks of super-volunteers like Larry Pelletier of New Auburn and make it your life's mission to ensure your neighborhood stays in tip-top shape.

Or perhaps you own a small business and want to join with companies like Austin Associates and steward a city park, creating opportunities for civic engagement and team building.

And lastly, go for a walk, or a jog, or a run. No better way to help us promote Auburn as an active community than for its citizens to turn out in growing numbers for local 5K and 10K events, or even half marathons like the one around our beautiful Lake Auburn, as they have been the last few years.

The Greater LA Triple Crown 5K Series is a great place to start, as all the races start and end in Auburn and promote local charities important to the people of our community. Whether you can volunteer to help and cheer on your fellow citizens, or want to walk or run with family, the most important thing is to get out and be active.

Communities are built on the actions of their citizens. This spring, I challenge each of you to be part of the solution by shopping local, volunteering to keep Auburn beautiful and getting active outside with neighbors and friends.

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MAYOR OF LEWISTON

In life, there is the ideal world, and then there is the real world.

The ideal world is the one people imagine and crave in their minds. The real world is reality—a world plagued with a multitude of problems and groups of pampered people who have gone through life perplexed by the word “No.”

This is because they were raised by parents who put more value on being their child’s friend than being nasty, mean parents who actually disciplined their child. Now we must endure the by-product of those raised from the 1960s on.

This attitude contin-

ues to grow and now has metastasized creating an atmosphere of incivility by both political sides. No one is wrong! Compromise? Forget about it!

In the new domestic political game, it is about destroying the other side at all costs and making sure they don’t rebound. This is not necessarily good for those whose lives rest on a decision made not by common sense, but a fastidious political philosophy and belief.

In the United States Marine Corps you are taught to “improvise, adapt, overcome.” Losers die, winners live. In order to be a winner, you must sometimes take it to the



Mayor Bob Macdonald

extreme to insure victory. On occasions, I admit I have adhered to this philosophy while playing in the domestic arena.

But politics is not war! It is a disagreement of beliefs and values by opposing

parties. Where there was once civility, it has now been replaced by vitriolic behavior. This behavior by both sides serves only to intensify, not solve, the problem.

During my time as mayor, on occasion, I have taken a position based on my real-world experience and political philosophy, but then found I was partially wrong. Unlike professional politicians, I am willing to publically admit my errors. Over the past four years, I have publically acknowledged mistakes I have made in this space.

One of those mistakes was my stance on Section 8 housing.

I looked at Section

8 housing through a myopic, jaundiced eye, focusing on those who are work-challenged and look to the taxpayer to support their “right” to prematurely retire. I focused on the blight they brought to our downtown neighborhoods. I focused on their irresponsible behavior of destroying apartments and failing to pay rent, resulting in landlords being labeled “slumlords.”

What I failed to factor in were our fixed-income elderly, the legitimately disabled and the mentally ill. These people are legitimately in need, and as a society we have a duty to help them.

Several years ago, I

was opposed to the Lofts at Bates Mill. This was a project that contained a mixture of market-rate, affordable and low-income housing, all under one roof. It has worked, and my opposition to it was wrong.

Now we are in the process of revitalizing our downtown. We had planned to create market-rate housing exclusively in the downtown area, then reality hit. We are not Portland. Property in the area is not being snapped up. Thus, reality dictates that if we want to develop housing in the area, it will have to be modeled after the Lofts.

We must face reality, adapt and improvise if we wish to survive and prosper.

Community Job Fair at CMCC

The Lewiston-Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, along with the Lewiston Career Center and Central Maine Community College, will present the 13th annual Community Job Fair on Friday, April 1, from 9 a.m. to noon at Central Maine Community College.

As the largest job fair in the area, this is a must attend event for local job seekers. Workshops on “How to Work a Job Fair” and resume reviewers will be available to help job seekers put their best foot forward.

Diverse industries from across the state, including healthcare, finance, education, manufacturing, transportation, distribution, insurance, technology, retail, social services, and industrial trades, will be represented.

The following employers are registered to attend: Adecco Employment Services, Androscoggin Bank, Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care, Bates College, Bonney Staffing Center, Brentwood Center for Health and Rehabilitation, Carbonite Inc., Central Maine Community College,

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Central Maine Community College is located at 1250 Turner Street in Auburn. For more information, call the chamber at 783-2249 or see lametrochamber.com.

Suit against county moves forward

The Superior Court recently denied a motion to dismiss that had been filed by Androscoggin County and its County Commissioners in the lawsuit brought against them by 12 of the 14 municipalities in Androscoggin County. The court also denied a motion for sanctions that the County and its Commissioners had filed.

The complaint, filed by the municipalities of Lewiston, Auburn, Poland, Lisbon, Turner, Durham, Greene, Sabattus, Minot, Leeds, Livermore Falls and Mechanic Falls, alleges that

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated after the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 3 at Sacred Heart Church, on the corner of Minot and Western Avenues in Auburn.

The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Honor Guard will escort the Divine Mercy Icon, which was blessed by Saint Pope John Paul II, in procession at the entrance of Mass by the

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the



Blessed by Saint Pope John Paul II, the Divine Mercy Icon will be escorted in procession at the entrance of Mass by the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Honor Guard.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song will follow. All are invited to attend. All Honor Guard members from the State of Maine are welcome to walk in the procession with the Icon; those planning to walk in the procession are asked to arrive no later than 10:15 a.m. with their regalia.

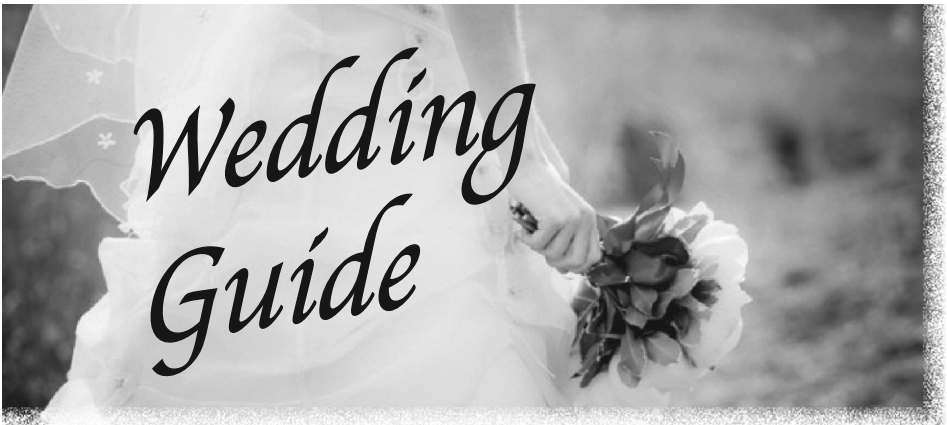
The event is sponsored by Andy Valley Knights of Columbus Council 8742.

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Beat planning pressure:
5 tips for an intimate wedding



The terms wedding and money go hand in hand. The average wedding cost is now up to \$31,213 according to theknot.com, and that's not even including the honeymoon.

Because of increasing costs, more and more couples are looking to plan a smaller, more intimate ceremony. While there's no universal way to define a small wedding, it typically involves a

limited gathering of family and close friends.

No matter the size of your guest list, you're bound to feel the stress of planning as you want your day to be perfect. But opting for a modest-sized wedding opens the door to endless options and possibilities. Here are some tips for making your small-scale wedding the event of the year:

Whittle down your guest list

If you can keep your guest count low, the cost for just about everything you need for your wedding will significantly decrease. There's always going to be more guests you could invite, but if you're making a point to have a small wedding, people will be understanding. Set limits and stick to them.

Rent what you can
Rental stores offer a wide range of products to fit weddings of any size

or theme. A smaller wedding opens up your options when it comes to venue and personalization. You'll likely need tables and chairs, tents, a dance floor and maybe even china, tableware and linens.

Keep the menu simple
One of the biggest costs of a wedding is the food, so try to shy away from extravagant and fancy menu items. All you need are a few key dishes and one or two desserts to keep everyone satisfied. Your guests aren't coming to ogle over a lavish spread, they simply want to be there to celebrate with the happy couple.

Stick to your budget
Create a budget using money you already have in the bank. There's no need to go into debt when planning an intimate wedding. If you have \$1,000 to spend, then plan a \$1,000 wedding. If you stick to a moderate budget, you're more likely to keep the planning and actual event in control.

Think outside the box
A small wedding may require a bit of strategic thinking and DIY projects. For example, you can make your own invitations and party favors to not only save money, but to reflect your unique personality as a couple. You can also get creative with the venue, like a small bed and break-

DIY Wedding Trends



Pinboards are buzzing with endless inspiration, bringing clever and colorful projects to life. For brides to be, the hottest looks in wedding decor can be yours with just a bit of creativity.

The evolution of touch is underway, with fabrics and embellishments featuring texture and intrigue

becoming huge hits this bridal season. Take materials such as burlap, chalkboard finishes, monogram letters and mason jars to the next level by mixing and matching with the season's colors.

Picture your big day with pretty petals adorned in lace offset by rustic trimmings. This understated yet feminine look can be yours with these trending projects from the crafting experts at Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Stores. Take these ideas and gather your girlfriends for a pre-wedding craft session. You'll love unleashing your creativity as well as the extra bonding time with the girls, all in preparation for the big event.

For more ways to add trending touches to your wedding, visit www.joann.com.

fast, restaurant or historic home. There's no need to book an entire banquet hall.

Let these straightforward ideas take some of the stress out of your wedding planning. After all, your wedding day is supposed to be one of the happiest occasions. For more wedding planning tips and helpful options visit rentalhq.com/weddings. (BPT)



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Money-saving moving tips for newlyweds



First comes love, then comes marriage, then comes moving into a new house.

The big move often comes after the big day. Whether you're moving in together for the first time or you're saying goodbye to your tiny apartment and moving into a starter home, it's an exciting - and often expensive - time.

Consider these tips to help streamline your move and save you money so you can fully enjoy the honeymoon phase in your new home sweet home:

Purge, sell and save

Did you receive new dishes or cookware as a wedding gift? You can probably ditch your old set. Host a garage sale or sell items you don't need online to make some cash while reducing goods you have to move. Alternatively, donate to a local nonprofit and take the tax write off at the end of the year.

Determine what size moving truck you'll need

A good rule is to plan for 150 cubic feet of space for every fully furnished room. Many young couples moving from a small apartment or condo into a larger first home will find a 12- or 16-foot Penske rental truck adequate. Plan to reserve your truck at least two weeks in advance. Ask about discounts when reserving; Penske Truck Rental offers rental discounts for AAA members.

Be thoughtful of wedding gifts

Did you receive gift cards for your wedding? Wait until after you move to spend them so you don't have to haul extras. For the wedding gifts you received, try to keep them in the original boxes for extra protection.

Start early and pack smart

Get sturdy boxes of various sizes and fill them with similar items. Label each box with the contents and room name. Make sure you have plenty of packing bubbles and towels to wrap breakable items. Finally, tape boxes securely before transport.

Ask for help

Ask friends to help carry and pack boxes. A move is a great reason to get the wedding party together

one more time. If something is particularly heavy, there's no shame in enlisting professionals for help to prevent injury.

Loading the truck

Load large items like beds and couches into the truck first to ensure a safe and secure fit. Next, load the heaviest boxes on the bottom and then place light-

er boxes on top. Need help planning? Penske's Truck Wizard application makes packing a breeze.

When the big move follows the big day, there's no need to stress. With a little strategic planning, you'll save time and money while ensuring all your belongings arrive at your new home safely. (BPT)



What's Your Ring Type? Wedding Bands to Fit Every Personality



It's one of the toughest decisions for any bride and groom — and, no, we don't mean where to seat feuding relatives at the wedding reception. We're talking wedding bands, symbols of eternal love, and the most important pieces of jewelry a man and woman will ever own.

In the search for the perfect wedding bands,

many couples turn to platinum to ensure they are getting the best value for their money. With a bevy of styles and a range of prices — a platinum band can be purchased starting at \$1,000 — it's easy to find a ring that best suits the bride's personality."

No matter what 'type' you are," says style expert Michael O'Connor, "you're guaranteed of getting the best possible ring for the price because platinum, be-

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Wedding Gifts for Grooms: A Tradition Brides Shouldn't Ignore

Five words or less, The answer is: Yes, it's expected. But it's also a chance for all you brides out there to truly show you know that not everything is about you on your wedding day. That there really is another person involved (that would be the groom) who deserves a bit of recognition, too.

We're talking wedding presents — specifically, yours to your husband-

to-be. Tradition does, indeed, hold that both you and he exchange gifts. And while it's true that some guys are initially shocked to learn your engagement ring doesn't also count as a "present," that's no excuse for you to waver. "Giving him something that's just for him will make him feel really special," advises BrideBox.com.

Here's what you need to know now that it's prime time for weddings: * When to exchange them. Etiquette dictates that the hand-off occurs at one of three times: the night before the wedding, the morning of the ceremony, or right before leaving on your honeymoon. Think it's bad luck to see the groom before the nuptials? "Many couples choose to courier gifts via bridesmaids



or groomsmen just before the ceremony," says Brides.com. * There's a thin line between "romantic" and "mushy." Some of you may be tempted to compile a "love notes" journal of every bit of correspondence you've ever sent your groom. Even assuming he's the type who wouldn't consider that a bit "over the top," there's always the chance he might be left wondering, "Okay, where's my real present?" — especially if his gift to you is a serious piece of jewelry.

* The consensus choice. There's a reason a watch invariably makes everyone's short list: It's the perfect statement of who he is or aspires to be. (It's also a lot more impressive than a flask, which for some reason also gets a few votes). No less a taste arbiter than MarthaStewartWeddings.com favors Baume & Mercier's Clifton line — as elegant as the original 1950s model that inspired it — for the way it "easily transitions from big day to every day." Like the Swiss watchmaker's timelessly

charming (and affordably luxurious) Classima line, it comes with a choice of straps, dial faces and a variety of what's known as "small complications" that go way beyond just telling the hour. You can shop them at the Baume & Mercier e-boutique or by calling 1-800-MERCIER, where free engraving and wrapping are available. * Fun fact. One writer at AskMen.com says he's "heard of women giving their husbands watches in the ceremony instead of a wedding ring." If so, the answer is: No, just like your engagement ring, that wouldn't also qualify as a wedding present.

Ring

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ing naturally white, will not fade or change color, lasting over a lifetime of wear." What's your ring type? Read on:

* Down-to-Earth. This no-nonsense bride has been planning her wedding for years — with the stacks of bridal mag-

azines to prove it — and knows exactly what she wants. Ring type: Instead of anything too delicate or dainty, look for a heavier, more solid design. A simple platinum band or one with a bezel set diamond ensures a timeless look. * Adventurous. She's a risk-taker who's feeling so daring about her nuptials that she may even have considered eloping. (Well, at least a destination wedding.) Ring type: A dynamic personality requires a stand-out ring, so go for a platinum band set with colored stones or intricate engraving. * Social butterfly. This people-pleaser loves to entertain and wants to ensure that her wedding day is special for every single guest. Ring type: A small, discreet gemstone, like a single solitaire, displayed in a flush cut on a platinum band will provide just the right adornment.

* Quirky. This bride is looking for ways to inject her and her partner's personalities into every aspect of the wedding day, whether through DIY details or a choreographed first dance. Ring type: A platinum tension setting with an unconventional gemstone creates a unique look. Lastly, wedding bands are important symbols of your lifelong commitment, so even if your band styles don't match, at least look to share the same metal. To learn more, visit www.preciousplatinum.com/designgallery. (New-USA)



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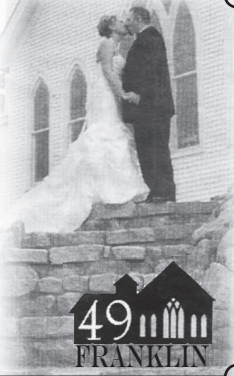
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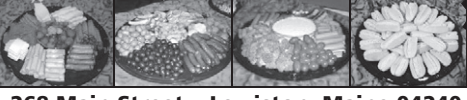
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Robert Begin, a Lewiston native, now living in Needham, Massachusetts, will be the presenter at USM's Lewiston Auburn Senior College "Food for Thought" 11:30 luncheon on Friday, April 8. The public is cordially invited to hear his well-researched story of "Lawrence, the Arabs and Palestine."

A long-time history buff, Begin tells the story of T. E. Lawrence, a young idealized English archaeological student, who became intrigued with the lure and mystery of the Middle East. He would ultimately help lead the Arabs into a revolt against the Ottoman Empire. Several photos and maps support this presentation.

Begin goes back 100 years as World War One was raging. He relates the struggle in the Middle East, an area of prime importance to England as it was adjacent to the Suez Canal which was the lifeline to England's major possessions, India and Australia. It was also the gateway to the Mediterranean which England viewed as her "private lake."

The native peoples in the area, the Arabs and Bedouins, were ruled by the Turks of the Ottoman Empire. They were looking for relief from their Ottoman masters and joined the British as allies against the Turks who sided with the Germans. A huge incentive for the Arabs to align themselves with England was the promise that any lands they liberated would be theirs once the war was over.

Lawrence became the link between the English and Arab leadership in this revolt. The Arabs had infinite trust in Lawrence and would follow him into battle at great risk. Lawrence soon learned he could not serve two masters, the Arabs and His Majesty's Government. (King George V, was Monarch of England at that time.)

Another event which would have ramifications was the issuance of the Balfour Declaration which stated England would support a homeland for Jews in Palestine. This is a tale of diplomacy, false promises, a quest for empire and

personal tragedy. Many of the decisions made in this area 100 years ago are still haunting us in the West

Begin grew up moving back and forth between Lewiston and Auburn and recalls his days as a carrier for the Lewiston Daily sun and the Lewiston Evening Journal with fond memories. He graduated from Edward Little High School and earned a BS degree in Business Administration from Babson College in Wellesley, Massachusetts.

He and his wife Mary have been married 46 years and have two sons and five grandchildren. His

interests include sailing, classical music, reading and Cohen Brothers movies. The love of history has given Begin several opportunities to give pre-

sentations on prominent historic people or historic events.

Senior College, now in its 18th year, presents the monthly 11:30 luncheon

program in the Function Room 170 at USM LAC. The cost, which includes lunch, is \$7 with advance registration or \$8 at the door. For an accurate food

tally, reservations must be made by noon on Wednesday, April 6, by calling 753-6510. Any late callers will be considered "at the door."



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Bird Club announces April events

The Stanton Bird Club of Lewiston and Auburn will hold its next meeting on Monday, April 4, at 6:30 p.m. in Room 285 at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College. The speaker, Beth Swartz of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife, will discuss the Maine Bumble Bee Atlas Project. Two birding trips are also planned for April. The first, on Saturday, April 9, will be a Birding for Beginners walk along the Riverwalk in Lewiston. The second, on Tuesday, April 26, will be a Bates College area bird walk. In addition to these walks, the Bird Club will host a Spring Sunday Afternoon at Thorncrag on one dry Sunday this month. The meeting and field trips are free and open to everyone.

Bumble bees are an essential part of pollination for flowering plants, fruits and vegetables. Significant declines in some bumble bee species were detected in North America beginning in the late 1990s. Begun in May 2015 and modeled after the successful Maine Butterfly and Maine Damselfly and Dragonfly Surveys, the Maine Bumble Bee



*This orange-belted or tri-colored bumblebee, scientific name *Bombus ternarius*, represents one of the seventeen bumble bee species known to live in Maine. The club's next meeting on April 4 will describe a new project that's utilizing citizen scientist volunteers to assess the health and distribution of bumble bee species across the state.*

Atlas Project is a statewide, five-year survey that marshals the efforts of volunteer citizen scientists to increase our knowledge about the status of the diversity, distribution and abundance of the seventeen species of bumble bees known to live in Maine.

Project coordinator Beth Swartz, a Wildlife Biologist in the Research and Assessment Section of the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife,

has worked with endangered and non-game wildlife since 1986. All are invited to come to learn more about this new and enthusiastically received citizen scientist venture. For more information about the project, see the MBBA's Facebook page, blog and website.

The Birding for Beginners field trip on Saturday, April 9 is open to all regardless of birding skills, but the club would particularly like to encourage those who have never attended a bird walk to attend. The group will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Promenade Mall, located at 855 Lisbon Street in Lewiston, by Staples and across from Marquis Signs. Carpooling will be arranged to the Riverwalk in Lewiston. Dress warmly. The group will search along the river for ducks, gulls, hawks, Peregrine falcons, eagles, and local song birds until returning to the Promenade Mall at about 11 a.m. For more information, call Dan Marquis at 513-8213.

The field trip on Tuesday, April 26 will be the first of a series of five early morning bird walks planned for the Bates College area this

spring. These walks will meet Tuesday mornings at 6 a.m. and will offer an opportunity to see returning song birds, including many warblers, as well as Mallard ducklings, Red-winged Blackbirds and perhaps even Ospreys diving for fish. The walks, lead by Judy Marden, Doug Boyd or Steve Reed, will begin at the front of Hathorn Hall on the Bates College campus, go past Mt. David to Riverside Cemetery, and finish by circling Lake Andrew, with a return by 8:30 a.m. For more information, call Steve Reed at 319-6630.

For Spring Sunday Afternoons at Thorncrag, a nature guide will be available at the Hayward Gazebo at 1 p.m. on one dry Sunday each month in April, May and June to explain what highlights hikers may find as they walk the trails. The Gazebo is adjacent to the Thorncrag parking lot, off Montello Street in Lewiston.

The Stanton Bird Club seeks to encourage the enjoyment and protection of our natural surroundings. It manages the Thorncrag Nature Sanctuary in Lewiston and the Woodbury Nature Sanctuary in Monmouth and Litchfield.

Fabric & Craft Supply Fair



Bonnie Miville (l.) and Anne Hodgman check out a sampling of items that will be available at the event on Saturday, April 16.

The Parish Guild at the High Street Congregational Church will host its annual Fabric & Craft Supply Fair on Saturday, April 16, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year's fair promises to be one of the biggest and best yet. Guild members have been collecting donations of fabrics, sewing notions, cross-stitch and quilting supplies, yarns, patterns and craft books, while over 20 vendors have rented tables to sell items including reclaimed barn boards, storage and orga-

nizational solutions, and supplies for paper crafting, scrapbooking, painting, knitting, crocheting, jewelry making, beading, and more.

Come by to purchase quality fabric, sewing and crafting supplies for a fraction of their original cost. Coffee and refreshments will also be available for purchase.

This is one of the Guild's most popular and successful fundraisers, allowing them to continue their support of the church and greater community through donations to local and foreign mission projects. The church is located at 106 Pleasant Street in Auburn.

For more information or to donate goods, call the church office Monday, Wednesday or Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 784-1306 or email office@highstreet-ucc.org.

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Prime Time Adventures



Rachel Morin of USM's Lewiston Auburn Senior College invites you on a virtual tour of Sunny Portugal during the Prime Time Adventures at the Auburn Public Library on Tuesday, April 5, at 2 p.m. You will see Portugal, a land with a proud seagoing history into the New World Discoveries. See the churches, including Our Lady of Fatima Basilica, the unique Chapel of the Bones, little fishing villages, fish markets, medieval walled cities, wineries, folkloric dancers, the famous Portuguese tiles and meet the warm and friendly Portuguese people in their everyday life. The event is free and open to the public through the partnership of Sr. College with the Auburn Public Library. (Photo by Cynthia Hughes)

WLU Tea & Talk features author-adventurer

The Woman's Literary Union of Androscoggin County will host author Russell Heath for his first presentation in Central Maine at its afternoon Tea & Talk on Sunday April 3 at 3 p.m. at their headquarters at the Foss Mansion, 19 Elm Street in Auburn. In his teens, Russell Heath hitchhiked to Alaska

and lived in a cabin on the banks of the Tanana River. In his twenties, he lived in Italy and then traveled overland across the Sahara, through the jungles and over the savannas of Africa and into southern Asia. In his thirties, he sailed alone, in a 25-foot wooden boat, around the world. In his forties, he wrote novels. And in his fifties, he bicycled the spine of the Rockies from Alaska to Mexico. He's worked on the Alaska Pipeline, as an environmental lobbyist in the Alaska Legislature, and run a storied environmental organization fighting to protect Alaska's coastal rainforests. Several years ago, he moved to New York City to dig deep into leadership development and coaching. He now coaches business and non-profit leaders as well as people who want to live rich, hand-crafted, masterful lives. Kirkus Reviews writes: "Heath's debut novel is gripping from the get-go, populated by a gallery of



Russell Heath

Twin City Nights

indelible characters and set against a landscape that's both breathtakingly beautiful and punishing.... Heath writes efficient scenes of suspense and jolting violence, but the quieter, more reflective moments are the most memorable... An auspicious mystery debut." The program is offered free for WLU members and for a \$5 donation for non-member guests. Contributions will benefit the Foss Mansion Restoration Fund. Refreshments will be served. For more information about the program, call Carol Mashaw at 713-5888. Established in 1892, the Woman's Literary Union of Androscoggin County is a membership organization open to all members of the community. WLU's mission includes cultural, intellectual, educational, and civic engagement. The group's beautiful clubhouse, the historic Horatio and Ella Foss mansion, is on the national Register of Historic Places and is considered one of the most important Georgian Revival structures in Androscoggin County. WLU holds monthly meetings on a wide variety of topics. The public is welcome at all meetings. For more information about the WLU and membership, call 783-5630 or email WLUmembership@yahoo.com.

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Author to discuss novel on Joshua Chamberlain at APL

Auburn Public Library will welcome author Matthew Cost for a reading and discussion of his historical novel, "Joshua Chamberlain and the Civil War: At Every Hazard," on Thursday, April 7 at 2 p.m. The novel traces Chamberlain's evolution from "an arrogant, overbearing professor to unwitting and unlikely hero and leader



Author Matthew Cost

of men." A college professor with no formal military training who, together with a small company of men, turned the tide of the battle and the war with a bayonet charge at Gettysburg, Chamberlain was a genuine war hero. By war's end, he was so respected that Ulysses S. Grant chose him to accept the South's surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia.

The story begins with

a ferocious battle scene that orphans fourteen-year-old Emmett Collins. Following the last instructions of his father, Collins shows up on Chamberlain's doorstep in Brunswick, Maine, where he joins Chamberlain and the 20th Maine as they embark for war in the late summer of 1862. Over the next three years, he grows from a boy into a man as he accompanies Chamberlain on his rise through the ranks.

Matthew Langdon Cost graduated with a B.A. in history from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. Right after graduation he wrote a yet unpublished historical novel about the Cuban Revolution of 1953-1959. In 2007, he decided to write another historical fiction novel, choosing Joshua Chamberlain and the Civil War as his topic.



Vienna Piano Trio performs this weekend

Celebrated for their finesse, tonal allure and irresistible panache, the Vienna Piano Trio, consisting of violinist David McCarroll, cellist Matthias Gredler and pianist Stefan Mendl, will perform music by C.P.E. Bach, Mauricio Kagel and Johannes Brahms on Saturday, April 2, at 7:30 p.m. in Bates College's Olin Arts Center Concert Hall, 75 Russell Street in Lewiston. Tickets are \$15. For more information, call 786-6135 or email olinarts@bates.edu. To buy tickets, see batesconcerts.eventbrite.com.

Sawyer Memorial reopens for 2016

The Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial resumes programming for its 2016 season with two screenings of Marlin Darrah's travel film "Southeast Asia - Exotic Spice Islands & Tropical Countries" on

Friday, April 1 at 2 and 7 p.m. The screenings are free and open to the public. Sawyer Memorial is located at 371 Sawyer Road in Greene. For more information, call 946-5311 or see sawyer-foundation.com.

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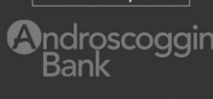


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Budgeting Basics. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. USM-Lewiston-Auburn College, Lewiston. New ventures Maine presents this workshop on the basic steps in building a household budget. Free. Register at 753-6513.

Friday, April 1
Community Job Fair. 9 a.m. to noon. Central Maine Community College, 1250 Turner St., Auburn. The largest annual job fair in this area features representatives from scores of area employers. 783-2249; lametrochamber.com.

Film Screening. 2 and 7 p.m. Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Rd., Greene. Marlin Darrah's travel film "Southeast Asia - Exotic Spice Islands & Tropical Countries" visits Hong Kong, Vietnam, Java, Thailand and other locales. Free. 946-5311; sawyer-foundation.com.

On the Spot Comedy. 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Mainly Improv, a professional troupe that specializes in making up comic situations entirely from audience suggestions, performs. \$12. Doors at 6:30. 783-1585; FrancoCenter.org.

Saturday, April 2
Take Out-Only Bean Supper. 2 to 5:30 p.m. Holy Cross church hall, 1080 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Food may be purchased in combo specials in pint (\$8) or quart (\$10) sizes or "a la carte"; orders may be phoned in to 212-5163 after noontime for pick up after 2 p.m.

Ham Dinner. 4:30 to 6 p.m. W. Auburn Congregation Church, 811 W. Auburn Rd., Auburn. Ham, beans, mac & cheese, casseroles, vegetables, salad, side dishes, desserts and beverages. \$7 adults, \$4 kids (ages 4- free). Take-away avail. Proceeds support Local Boy Scout Troop 007.

Spring Fling Dance & Auction. 6:30 p.m. Martindale Country Club, Auburn. Presented by the AHCH Dream team, this event features dancing to live music by Dr. Fatfinger, silent and live auctions, door prizes, games, and light refreshments; proceeds benefit Hospice House. \$12/10. 777-7740.

Concert: Vienna Piano Trio. 7:30 p.m. Bates College, Olin Arts Center, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. This accomplished ensemble performs music by C.P.E. Bach, Mauricio Kagel and Johannes Brahms. \$15. 786-6135. Buy tix at batesconcerts.eventbrite.com.

Wings of Spring Drag Show. 8 p.m. Elks Lodge, 1675 Lisbon Rd., Lewiston. Dancing and karaoke follow; drinks, concessions, 50/50 raffle. Doors at 7:00. Proceeds benefit First Universalist Church of Auburn. Tix \$10 (VIP seats \$15). www.auburnuu.org.

Sunday, April 3
Tea & Talk. 3 p.m. Foss Mansion, 19 Elm St.,

Calendar

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Auburn. The Women's Literary Union presents author, adventurer, environmental activist and life coach Russell Heath. \$5 donation (members free). 713-5888.

Concert: Beethoven's Missa Solemnis. 4 p.m. Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul, 122 Ash St., Lewiston. Orchestras and choral groups of the Maine Music Society, Bates College, Edward Little H.S., Lewiston H.S. and the Basilica team up to present this rarely performed piece. \$25/10. 782-7228; www.mainemusicsociety.org.

Concert: Carrie Newcomer. 4 p.m. Congregational Church, 10 Church Lane (Parker Head Rd.), Phippsburg. The acclaimed singer-songwriter and social activist performs with pianist Gary Walters. \$18. 389-1770; BrownPaperTickets.com.

Monday, April 4
Stanton Bird Club Meeting. 6:30 p.m. Room 285, Lewiston-Auburn College. Wildlife biologist Beth Swartz discusses the Maine Bumble Bee Atlas Project, which uses citizen scientist volunteers to assess

the health and distribution of bumble bee species across the state. Free.

Tuesday, April 5
Historic Masonry Reborn. 7:30 to 9 a.m. DaVinci's Eatery, 150 Mill St., Lewiston. The ME Real Estate and Devel. Assoc. presents this program on the care of historic brick and stone buildings. \$35 (members \$25); fee includes buffet breakfast, rises \$10 after 3/29. 874-0802; mereda.org.

Accounting Your Health Workshop. 1:30 p.m. Conf. Rm., Young Wing, Central ME Heart and Vascular Inst., 60 High St., Lewiston. "What Is Heart Failure and How Do You Manage It?" Free. Register at 795-8448 or prevention@cmhc.org.

Primetime Adventures Program. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Lewiston-Auburn Senior College instructor Rachel Morin presents "Travel to Sunny Portugal." Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Chili & Chowder Taste Challenge. 5:30 p.m. Ramada Conference Center, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. Awards presented at 7:30. Enjoy chili and chowder from

area restaurants and then cast your vote for the People's Choice Award. \$10/5.

Wednesday, April 6
Business Technology Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. L-A Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. William Wade of Dirigo Software Solutions presents an introduction to pivot tables in MS Excel. Bring your laptop. \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Maine Money Academy Workshop. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Central Maine Community College, Auburn. This installment in CMCC's monthly financial series covers "Annuities - The Personal Pension Plan." \$19. 755-5280. Register by 4/1 at www.cmcc.edu/ccs.

Thursday, April 7
Author Visit. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Author Matthew Cost reads from and discusses his historical novel, "Joshua Chamberlain and the Civil War: At Every Hazard." Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Friday, April 8
Food for Thought Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. Function Room 170, Lewiston-Auburn College. Lewiston native Robert Begin discusses "Lawrence, the Arabs and Palestine." \$7/8 (incl. lunch); for discount rate, register by noon on 4/6

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Saturday, April 9
Stanton Bird Club Field Trip. Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Staples end of Promenade Mall parking lot, 855 Lisbon St., Lewiston. This special "Birding for Beginners" excursion will look for birds along the Lewiston Riverwalk. Carpooling arranged onsite; group returns c. 11 a.m. Free. 513-8213.

Tuesday, April 12
Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Eaton Peabody discuss "Perils and Pitfalls of Online Marketing." \$50 (members

\$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.

Accounting Your Health Workshop. 1:30 p.m. Conf. Rm., Young Wing, Central ME Heart and Vascular Inst., 60 High St., Lewiston. "Keys to Healthy Eating, Staying Active and Coping Effectively for those with Heart Failure." Free. Reg. at 795-8448 or prevention@cmhc.org.

Primetime Adventures Program. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Lewiston-Auburn Senior College instructor Alan Elze presents "Road Trip Across America." Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

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April 28, 2016, at 11:00 a.m.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale dated December 18, 2015, and entered in proceedings pending in the Androscoggin County Superior Court, Docket No. RE-2014-00126, wherein the Court adjudged a foreclosure of a mortgage recorded in the Androscoggin County Registry of Deeds in Book 7687, Page 19, the period of redemption from said judgment having expired, a public sale will be conducted on April 28, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. at 131 Hogan Road, Lewiston, Androscoggin County, Maine, being the location of the subject property. Reference should be had to said mortgage for a more detailed description of the subject property. The undersigned is the holder of the Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, the mortgage referred to therein, and the note secured thereby.

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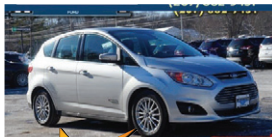


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