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#TeamBud benefits by L-A Harley, Pedro's and RD Tactical



Back (L to R): Niki Laliberte, Tom Laliberte, Erin Caouette (in front of Tom) Matt Wood, Jen Gagnon, Jason Gagnon, Anita Wood, Bud Caouette, Penny Caouette, Jim Laliberte, Norm Laliberte, and Jeni Laliberte Front (L to R): Ally Sweatt, Abby Gagnon, Jeanne Laliberte and Colby Gagnon. (PTCT hoto by Emma Giroux) More photos at facebook.com/TwinCityTimes.

Policemen, fire fighters, first responders, community members and local businesses came together this weekend with fundraisers to support recently retired Auburn Police Department Veteran, Paul "Bud" Caouette, who is battling pancreatic cancer.

L-A Harley held a spagetti dinner on Saturday at the New Auburn Social Club collecting donations, selling raffle tickets and providing music by the band Graffitti.

Pedro O'Hara's and R.D. Tactical Handgun were presenters of The Innaugural Guns & Hoses Police & Firefighter Tournament on Sunday at Apple Valley Golf Course in Lewiston. The tournament was originally to benefit a national non-profit, but when organizers of the event heard about Bud, they made the decision to focus their efforts on supporting #TeamBud

Nearly \$4,000 was raised from a combination of hole sponsorships, contest sponsors, and major tournament co-sponsorships by Pedro O'Hara's and R.D. Tactical Handgun. "We had a lot of great community partners donate items (See #TeamBud, page 2)

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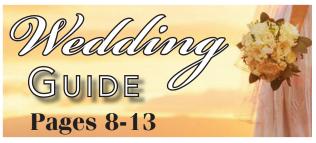
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Rosi speaks to Chamber about Medical Marijuana



Matt Leonard of Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce with Patricia Rosi of Wellness Connection of Maine. Rosi spoke at the chamber breakfast on September 8 at Martindale country club about medical marijuana. Wellness of Maine is a medical marijuana dispensary for people that have a condition that qualifies them to use medical marijuana. (Photo by Nathan Tsukroff.) See more chamber photos on page 2.



Remembering 9/11



The Lewiston Fire Department recently took time to share a moment of silence, honor America's flag, place a memorial wreath and ring bells in remembrance of the tragedy at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Shanksville, Pennsylvania on the morning of September 11, 2001. They also honored the valiant efforts of the various first responders, many of whom lost their lives that day. (Photo by Norm Beauparlant)

City Clerk now taking orders for absentee ballots

The Presidential and State Referendum Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, and registered voters who wish to order an absentee ballot for this election may now place their order with the Lewiston City Clerk's Office. Absentee ballots will not be available until October 11, but voters may request an absentee ballot now and it will be mailed to them in mid-October.

Voters may place their

order for an absentee ballot in several ways. They may call the City Clerk's Office at 513-3124; submit a completed application form, available on the city's website, to the City Clerk's Office; or order one online at http://www.maine.gov.

Lewiston residents are encouraged to contact the City Clerk's Office at 513-3124 with any questions they may have regarding this election.



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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

L/A Metro Chamber welcomes new members

New members of the Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce were recognized at the September chamber breakfast at Martindale Country Club in Auburn. (TCT Photos by Nathan Tsukroff). More photos at facebook.com/TwinCityTimes.



Carl Sheline of Center Street Dental with Robert Mosley and Tom Sturgeon of Crooker Construction.

Carl Sheline with Rebecca Swanson

Conrad of Maine College of Art.



Carl Sheline with AnnMarie Comeau of Heartfelt Cookies, LLC.



Carl Sheline with Robbie Porter and BJ Grondin of Prime 360, LLC.

Students present donations to GAHS

These local students have recently presented the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society with donations they asked guests to bring to their birthday parties this year in place of gifts. Their party guests generously donated pet food, toys, treats and cleaning supplies to help care for the



Josephine Ensor of Minot,



Sophie Tibbetts of Auburn, aged 12, is a seventh grade student at Lewiston Middle



Skylar Potvin of Greene, age 11, is a student at the Greene Central School.



Kaci-Lee VerSluis of Sabattus, age 11, is a sixth grade student at Oak Hill Middle School.



#TeamBud

and services to make sure we raised as much money for Bud as possible" Chad Hopkins of Apple Valley remarked. "Designs by Skip donated the signage for the event, Chapman Trucking gave us ten extra golf carts to use for free, Wallingford's Orchard donated Apples towards lunch and many other local businesses getting involved, meaning we could give as much money directly to Bud and his family as possible. It was great to have so many people getting involved."

The tournament had nine different hole sponsors including Emerson Chevy, Sea 40, Aero Air Park, Hair by Gregory's, Lewiston Paint, ServiceMaster, Isaacson & Raymond, Rooper's Beverage & Redemption and Jim's Auto Sales. Major sponsors were Pedro O'Hara's & R.D. Tactical.

Contests provided were the long drive contest, putting contest, closest to pin contest and a "skirt" hole contest where golfers paid a small fee to hit from the ladies tee, the only catch, they had to wear a clip on skirt. Photos were captured by GingerSnap Rentals Photobooth.

There were many other events going on in the community to support #TeamBud this week including a fill the bucket event at L/A Harley, and the L/A Harley Davidson and 99.9 The Wolf's free concert on Tuesday.



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Nutrition Center Soirée to feature star chefs



Fiston Mubalama Lowatiwiya and Paul Drowns of St. Mary's Nutrition Center prepare appetizers in the center's teaching

St. Mary's Nutrition Center's Annual Soirée on Friday, September 23 will feature star chefs Zack Pratt of Boba, Erin Dow of Eatswell, and Tripp's Farmhouse Café.

The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a cocktail hour at the Nutrition Center with appetizers prepared by participants in the center's youth programs using knowledge and skills they developed cooking and gardening over the summer. Guests will enjoy specialty wines and craft beers and then move across the street to the new Agora Grand Event Center for specialty chef demonstrations and tastings. Zack Pratt of Boba will present his famous Vietnamese noodle soup, pho, and Tripp's Farmhouse Café will showcase their gluten-free delicacies. Guests will then be invited to a full sit-down dinner featuring local and seasonal specialties catered by Erin Dow of

Proceeds will support St. Mary's Nutrition Center, which promotes community health through organizing, advocacy, and education. The center is home to an emergency food pantry, urban community garden programs, youth leadership programs, the Lewiston Farmers' Market, the Good Food Bus, and cooking and nutrition education programs for adults, teens, and kids.

Event tickets are \$125 each. For more information or to sponsor this event, contact Lisa Mayer at 777-8863. To buy tickets, see www.stmarysmaine. com/2016soiree.

AHCH raises \$4K for Camp Dragonfly



Michelle House, Jim Bouchard, Linda Henault. More photos at facebook.com/TwinCityTimes.

Androscoggin Home Health Care and Hospice held a yard sale on Saturday for Camp Dragonfly, a program for grieving children and teens.

They raised over \$4,000 thanks to the generous donations of sale

items, baked and canned goods and of course those who came out to shop at the yard sale. The money raised will go towards supporting kids in our communities who have suffered the loss of a loved

APD offers Citizens Police Academy

Applications are being accepted for the Auburn Police Department's upcoming Citizens Police Academy. This exciting 10-week program, which is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, September 20, offers community members insight into how local police officers perform their duties and how the department serves the community.

The goal of CPA is to foster better communication between citizens and police through education. This series of informational classes provides a behindthe-scenes look at the APD. Participants will meet at the Auburn Police Department each Tuesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The course instructors are members of the law enforcement profession and will present information on topics including basic patrol functions, use of force, See APD, page 20

Fish Bones awards Hospitality **Scholarships**



Here with Chef-Owner Paul Landry are 2016 Fish Bones Hospitality Scholarship recipients Tamara Morgan, Logan Williams, Julian Kirouac and Bronwyn Gray.

Paul Landry of Fish Bones American Grill presented four \$2000 scholarships at the Lewiston Regional Technical Center's Green Ladle graduation ceremony this spring. Each recipient qualified for the scholarship by exhibiting a level of passion, dedication and industry related-knowl-

Since its inception, the Fish Bones Hospitality Scholarship Fund has awarded over \$20,000 in scholarships to local students pursuing careers in the hospitality industry. The funds are available to both graduating high school seniors and adults making a career change. Landry and Chef Dan Caron, Director

of the Green Ladle, started the scholarship program in 2011 and recently partnered with College for ME Androscoggin to add ancillary programs, including counseling in navigating the college financial aid process.

This year's scholarship fundraising tournament will take place at Martindale Country Club on Sunday, September 25. The event features a Food Court hosted by area restaurants, a Tomato Putting Contest, a Longest Marshmallow Drive Contest, and special hole-in-one and fun raffle prizes. For more information, contact Chef-Owner Paul Landry at Fish Bones American Grill or Chef Dan Caron at the Green Ladle.





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Only Steps Forward

Auburn's neighborhoods combine to form one city

By Jonathan P. LaBonte

MAYOR OF AUBURN What is Auburn? Is it

the "Hub of Maine" as one former mayor coined it?

Is it Maine's City of Opportunity? Or perhaps folks know us as the place that proudly states, "We want development," as you can see prominently as you enter our planning and permitting office?

Each of those monikers has a particular stakeholder that fairs most prominently; is it a hub for

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businesses and goods or people as well? If so, is it a place where investors are courted and treated with the highest levels of customer service, what about citizens?

It doesn't mean that the citizens are part of that, but they aren't the center.

As I've spent the last few weeks visiting with many of our growing number of neighborhood watch and related groups, I'd like to offer my own tag line for our community: "Auburn, Maine, the City of Neighborhoods."

While we often see and hear debate about why we must focus on attracting jobs or businesses to Auburn, in a region and a state with a shrinking workforce, the concept of growing jobs and businesses has gone well beyond marketing industrial parks and offering tax breaks.

Perhaps one of the lingering failures of economic development locally has been this nonstop focus on the businesses



Mayor Jonathan P. LaBonté courting and industrial

We need to recognize our citizens and the

connections between them as our greatest asset, and we must do what we can to support and encourage that to flourish and grow.

Those who know Auburn's history know that the city we have today is really a combination of multiple towns. Portions of Danville, Minot and the original town of Auburn and how they blended over time still define the experience many have living in Auburn, even if we don't discuss it.

Ask a resident of Danville. Or start a conversation about the neighborhood of New Auburn. Or engage with a long-time resident of West Auburn. The list goes on. It's a real strength to have citizens feel an affinity for where they live and whom they live near. And that is a fragile strength, one that can be eroded over time.

Over the last couple of years, our Auburn Police Department has offered the neighborhood-watch model to citizens willing to sit and talk about law enforcement and public safety challenges. These are not top-down neighborhood delineation, but rather bottom-up definitions where relationships among

neighbors exist. In the Sunderland Drive neighborhood, they have met regularly at the new Sam's Italians off Court Street to talk about what's happening in their neighborhood and even have a new Facebook page to promote connections. Councilor Titus has watched their discussions, and after hearing a dominant concern about streetlights and the decision some years ago to take some down due to budget concerns, has initiated a review of that city policy with neighborhood input.

ganized an ongoing peerto-peer support group for

adults who are "Coping with

Loss after Suicide." One of

many bereavement services offered to the community

by AHCH, the group meets

every second and fourth

In New Auburn, the neighborhood watch recently met on the front porch of Warren King and Mary Story on South Main Street, where they learned the latest crime data and were able to ask questions about local street construction projects and the proposed affordable housing development behind the South Main Street fire station.

Around Lake Auburn, their group met at the West Auburn Congregational Church where they reported out on the clean-up event organized earlier this year and the successful fundraising for the construction and installation of a welcome sign for their corner of our community.

And while it's not vet connected to a neighborhood watch, residents around Gamage, Goff and Hampshire Streets came together to talk about the reconstruction of Hampshire Street. That conversation made it clear that we must invest in infrastructure to position our neighborhoods for success, knowing that can vary between our in-town or downtown neighborhoods and our suburban or more rural neighborhoods.

Many have heard the saying that the whole is greater than the sum of the parts. Engaging and connecting at the neighborhood level is essential, but ultimately it's about building up the entire community and understanding how these pieces all work together. I hope you'll find a neighborhood gathering near you, or reach out so we can help you get started.

Let's strengthen what I already know us to be. Auburn, Maine, the City of Neighborhoods.

location at 15 Strawberry

Avenue in Lewiston. There

is no cost to attend, but an

initial one-time pre-regis-

tration is required. For more

information or to register,

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are in balance. Activities for

Church of Auburn will cel-

The First Universalist

kids and adults will include coloring pages and making fall leaf wreaths and rowan-berry protective charms. Participants are asked to bring snacks to share. All are welcome to attend. First Universalist Church is located at 169 Pleasant Street See Mabon, page 6

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Enough is Enough

Legislators should focus on their constituents, not the Governor

By Robert E. Macdonald MAYOR OF LEWISTON

What will the Democrats think of next? Every day they seem to come up with another strategy which they hope will be successful in removing our Maine People's Choice Governor, Paul R. LePage, from office.

It is sad when so much thought and effort is put into removing the Governor. It would be nice if this type of effort would be focused on a suffering constituency instead of a group of politicians uncomfortable with our current Governor.

The latest scam, in their repertoire of their ever shrinking bags of cons, is claiming the Governor's recent actions will keep tourists from coming to our State. Please, give me a break! And just how was this conclusion reached?

It seems that a Massachusetts woman, Lauri Hunt of Wakefield, Mass., sent an email to 34 Republican Maine legislators threatening to boycott Maine if they "continue to stand by and do nothing about your Governor." Hunt also went on to say that she comes to Maine (98 miles from Wakefield) to do her shopping for school clothes for her kids, usually spending about \$800.

She stated when making this trip, she stays in a Maine hotel overnight. She goes on to say although she is an Independent, she usually votes Republican. But I saved the best for last.

Hunt is the sister of Democratic House Majority Leader Jeff McCabe of Skowhegan, one of the Governor's fiercest critics. But wait, there's more.



Mayor Bob Macdonald

One of our local legislators, Republican Steve Wood, sent a nasty response to her nasty email, referring to her as a "Mass hole" and telling her to keep her advice to herself because Mainers are capable of running our State. He now has apologized for the term he used to describe her.

Personally, I was disappointed that Rep. Wood apologized. I come from Boston and have been called and have referred to some Bay Staters as "Mass holes." If the shoe fits wear it.

It appears that our Maine State Republican Legislators have gone AWOL. Apparently, when things get tough, it's time to disappear.

It's long past time that the Republican Legislative leadership take their minions to a Maine beach along the ocean. Please do not leave until everyone fills up on sand (a.k.a. intestinal fortitude). They could then return to Augusta and engage those wily, rascally Democrats.

How long will the Republican Legislators allow the savaging of Governor LePage to go unchecked?

And again, why have the media given a pass to the reporter whose banter with LePage set the stage for this unceasing barrage of media stories? Why do they give Rep. Drew Gattine more credibility than Governor LePage?

Words have meaning. Change a word in a sentence and suddenly that alteration will give the sentence a new meaning. Three Republican Legislators are lawyers: Rep. Ken Fredette, Sen. Roger Sherman and Sen. Roger Katz. Why have they not corrected the media on what the Governor said versus what the media is stating he said?

I know why the Democrats and their media allies are running these stories. What has befuddled me is why the Republican leadership is not correcting this.

Lastly, the readers of this paper are from Maine's Second Congressional District. We don't respond politely to those who slander us using polite verbiage. If anything, people living here look at the Southern Maine elitists as a "bucket of deplorables."

We drive Chevys, Fords and Harleys. Why? Because like Al Gore, Leonardo DiCaprio and Barbra Streisand, we would like to leave our carbon footprints too. We prefer domestic beer and Jack Daniels over imported wines and a juicy cut of beef over aged, imported cheeses.

We in the Second District represent the average, working American. We are not clones of the haughty, elitist class that yearns to live in a La-La Land known as Tinseltown.

Author to discuss competitive rose gardening at APL

Auburn Public Library will welcome author Aurelia Scott on Tuesday, September 20 at 2 p.m. to discuss her book, "Otherwise Normal People," a colorful, firsthand journey inside the

world of competitive rose gardening. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call 333-6640, ext. 4.

In her book, Scott documents the world of

cut-throat gardeners who represent a broad cross-section of American rose lovers (doctors, teachers, sheet metal mechanics, lawyers, and truck drivers) who will do anything to obsessively cultivate the perfect bloom. These Type A gardeners, grow tender roses in the

frigid North and disease prone roses in the humid South, simply for the challenge. They traipse through overgrown fields in the worst weather to save antique roses from extinction. Otherwise Normal People celebrates the singular satisfaction of cultivating beauty - and, of course, the thrill of victory.

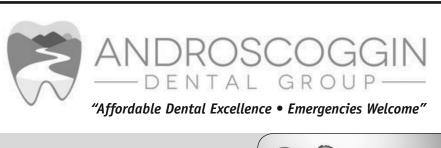
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Walk to End Alzheimer's

The Alzheimer's Association's annual Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place on Saturday, September 17 at 9:30 a.m. in Simard-Payne Park in Lewiston. Registration starts at 8 a.m. You can start your own team or join one. To get started, see alz.org/walk.

Alzheimer's disease is

a growing epidemic and is the nation's sixth leading cause of death. There are currently more than five million Americans living with Alzheimer's disease, including 26,000 here in Maine. For more information about Alzheimer's disease, call the hotline 24/7 at 800-272-3900 or see alz.org.



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Franco-American Collection presents "In and Out of War in Franco-American Communities"

Two mainstays of UMO's Franco-American Centre will visit USM's Lewiston-Auburn College on Tuesday, September 20 at 6 p.m. to offer their perspectives on "In and Out of War in Franco-American Communities: Soldiers, Veterans, and Their Families." A 5 p.m. reception celebrating the new academic year will precede the program, which will take place in Room 170.

Susan Pinette, Director of Franco American Programs, and Lisa Michaud, Coordinator of Community Engagement, will speak at the Franco-American Collection as part its ongoing "Franco-Americans During Wartime: A Heritage of Service" series. Their program will explore, through examples from Franco-American literature and real-world events, how military service can both disrupt ethnic identity and strengthen it. At the end of the evening, audience members will be welcome to join in and discuss how their wartime experiences either drew them closer to their home community or separated them from it.

Pinette is Associate Professor of Modern Languages and Literature and Director of Franco American Programs at the University of Maine. She received her doctorate in French at the University of California, Irvine. Her research and published works examine contemporary Franco American literature, showing its significance to the broader arenas of North American Francophone communities and American studies.

Michaud is originally from Van Buren and is of both Acadian and Quebecois descent. As well as serving as Coordinator of Community Engagement at UMO's Franco-American Centre, she is Managing Editor of "Le Forum," a bilingual periodical published by the Centre. She is active in digitizing oral histories, organizing cultural events, translating and genealogy.

The Collection's "Franco-Americans During Wartime" series, which began in the spring, was funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities as part of its Common Heritage Grant Program, an effort to help preserve historical materials by making digital copies of items held by the community. The project is focusing on the wartime experiences of Franco-Americans, whether in military service or on the home front.

can Programs at the University of Maine. She received series will include a discussion



Susan Pinette



Lisa Michaud

sion on Tuesday, October 4 at 7 p.m. by James Myall, former coordinator of the Franco-American Collection, entitled "Sous les Drapeaux: Franco-American Voices from the Front Lines." A Digitization Day on Saturday, October 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be an opportunity for community members to bring in wartime-related materials to be digitized for the collection.

All events will take place in Room 170 of USM's Lewiston-Auburn College, located at 51 Westminster Street in Lewiston. The Collection is usually open Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., although it is best to call ahead to confirm. For more information, call 753-6545, email janet.roberts@maine.edu, or visit http://usm.maine.edu/franco.

Jens Voigt to participate in Dempsey Challenge

The Dempsey Center has announced that former professional cyclist Jens Voigt will participate in the 2016 Dempsey Challenge. In his first year riding in the Challenge, Voight will make the 140+ mile Two-Day Ride presented by L.L. Bean, which features great climbing and stunning views of Maine's countryside and coast.

Voigt's 18-year professional career was filled with accomplishment. Some of his professional highlights included winning two Tour de France stage victories, winning the Criterium International five times, and breaking the hour record in 2014, making him the oldest cyclist - and only German - ever to do so. His exciting riding style and articulate manner make him a fan favorite.

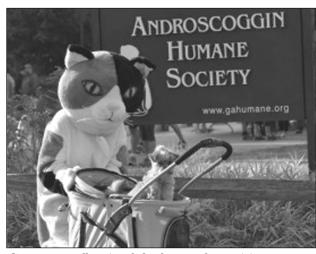
The Dempsey Challenge presented by Amgen is a run, walk and cycle fundraising experience for The Dempsey Center in Lewiston. The 2016 Challenge will take place on October 1 and 2 in Simard-Payne Park in Lewiston. Every dollar raised by Dempsey Challenge participants directly benefits the Dempsey Center, a leader in Quality of Life care for individuals and families impacted by cancer. The Dempsey Center provides a personalized, holistic, and integrated approach to cancer prevention, education and support.

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(across from Dairy Joy) in Auburn. For more information, call 783-0461 or see www.auburnuu.org.

Strutt Your Mutt/Dash for Dogs Sep. 18



Come run, walk or just help cheer on the participants.

The Greater Androscoggin Humane Society is accepting registrations from people and their canine friends who would like to participate in their annual Strutt Your Mutt/Dash for Dogs 5k walk-run on Sunday, September 18.

The event will take place at the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society at 55 Strawberry Avenue in Lewiston. Check-in will begin at 8 a.m., with the timed run and untimed walk both starting at 9:00. The cost to register is \$25 in advance or \$30 on the day of the event. Funds raised will stay in the community to directly benefit the homeless, aban-

doned and abused animals at the Shelter by helping to provide them with food, shelter, veterinary care and a chance for a new home.

This is a casual "people" run-walk along the Androscoggin Riverside Trail; dogs are welcome, but are not necessary. Participating as a team through your workplace or with friends is also encouraged. Dogs must be leashed on leads no longer that 6' (no retractable leashes will be allowed) and have their current rabies vaccination. No dogs in heat, please. Registration information is available at the Shelter or online at www. SavingPetsInMaine.org.

First Universalist to host women's spirituality group

The introductory meeting of Cakes for the Queen of Heaven, a women's spirituality group, will take place on Tuesday, September 20, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the First Universalist Church of Auburn. This circle of women will explore pre-Christian goddess traditions, including sabbats, solstices and rituals of the Wheel of the Year, along with other aspects of feminine "thealogy" that have been "lost" from our traditional religious upbringings.

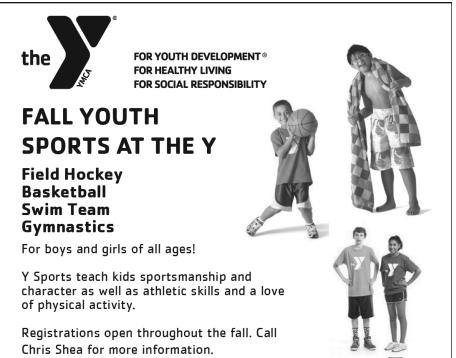
The name "Cakes for the Queen of Heaven" comes from the book of Jeremiah in the Hebrew Bible and is a "reclaiming" of a statement meant to demean the old goddess religions. As used in the women's group, it becomes a new reference of power.

Those interested are invited to explore the group for several meetings. In December, continuing participants will be asked to commit to the monthly gatherings for the remainder of the year. If you'd like to attend, contact Anne Kinney at 783-0461 or akinneyuu@gmail.com.

First Universalist Church is located at 169 Pleasant Street (across from Dairy Joy) in Auburn. For more information, see www. auburnuu.org.







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Eagle Scout project to aid homeless veterans



Alex Cote

Life Scout Alex Cote of Boy Scouts of America Troop 007 is working toward his Eagle Scout badge by compiling 150 care packages for homeless veterans to be distributed at VA Maine's Homeless Veterans Stand Down event in October. To that end, he is asking the community for donations of various general hygiene products and nonperishables items, including razors, shaving cream,

bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, ChapStick, powder, underarm deodorant, Band Aids, tissues, protein bars, granola bars, and other snack items. Items may be dropped off in care of Alex Cote or Jennifer Lane at VFW Post 1603 at 588 Minot Avenue in Auburn on Thursdays from 4 to 8 p.m., Fridays from 4 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from 2 to 6 p.m., or at the Spaghetti Supper on Oc-

Lisbon Business Breakfast Forum

The Lisbon Economic & Community Development Department will host a free Business Breakfast Forum on Thursday, September 22, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Lisbon Town Office. This will be an opportunity for Lisbon business leaders to network one-to-one and to meet new Lisbon Police Chief Marc Hagan, who will share his

vision for Lisbon's future as well as an insightful glimpse

If you wish to attend the breakfast or have any questions, RSVP by Monday, September 19 by calling Tracey Steuber, Economic & Community Development Director, at 353-3000, ext. 122 or by emailing her at tsteuber@lisbonme.

What's Going On

United Way announces cabinet for 2016 Campaign



United Way of Androscoggin's 2016 Annual Campaign Cabinet includes (l. tor.) Luke Jensen, Mike Barriault, Angela Snow, Sean Doyle and Shane Wright.

Banking Center Manager Angie Snow of Camden National Bank has been named Chair of the United Way of Androscoggin County's 2016 Annual Campaign Cabinet. Now in her sixth year volunteering with United Way, she makes her home in Auburn with her husband and children.

"I live here, I work here, and I'm raising my family here," said Snow. "I want my children to grow up knowing that this is what you do. I want them to be grateful for what they have and to share with others, be it through monetary donations or volunteering."

She said her time on the campaign's leadership team has been both humbling and eye-opening. "I didn't realize the scope of what United Way does," Snow said. "I had no idea that United Way helps so many organizations. My donation stays local and

supports neighbors that really need it right here in our community.'

The 2016 Campaign Cabinet is comprised of local business leaders who volunteer their time to strengthen and build relationships with corporate and community partners, share United Way's message and work with current and prospective supporters to increase the scale of the Annual Campaign, both in support and dollars.

Joining Snow will be Campaign Vice-Chair Nicole Lajoie of Champoux Insurance Agency; Mike Barriault of Central Distributors; Shane Wright of Norman, Hanson & DeTroy, LLC; Bill Tracy of Auburn Savings; Jeffrey Geiger of Geiger; Sean Doyle of Cross Insurance; Luke Jensen of TD Bank; and Mark Bonin of WMTW-Channel 8.

Snow and her fellow

Campaign Cabinet members will be officially introduced at the 2016 United Way Campaign Kick-Off Breakfast on Friday, September 16 at Hilton Garden Inn Auburn-Riverwatch. Following the event, more than 250 community members will fan out across the county to help non-profits and elderly residents during

United Way's 15th annual

Day of Caring. Last year alone, United Way of Androscoggin County impacted nearly 36,000 lives throughout the county by funding more than 40 programs at 26 non-profit agencies. Impact councils comprised of local community members, business leaders and agency representatives reviewed applications and determined where to invest funds in three areas considered to be building blocks of a strong community: education, health and income.

APL to host lecture series on editorial cartooning

Over the next few weeks, Auburn Public Library will present a lecture series called "No Laughing Matter: The Pulitzer Prize and the Art of Editorial Cartooning." The series will feature talks by two award-winning cartoonists and the former director of Maine Archives and Museums, in conjunction with an exhibit of Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoons from years past. The events are free and open to the public and will be presented in the Community Room on the library's Lower Level at 49 Spring Street.

On Monday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m., historian Erin Bishop, former director of Maine Archives and Museums, will provide a historical overview of political cartoons, which have been an influential and popular art form in America since the late 18th century. As a journalistic shorthand, editorial cartoons express powerful ideas, distilling complex issues into a single potent image. Bishop will break down the basic techniques cartoonists use to convey meaning and will guide guests through famous and noteworthy cartoons about key issues in See Cartooning, page 20

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Money-saving moving tips for newlyweds



(BPT) - 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 rental truck adequate. Plan to reserve your truck at least two weeks in advance. Ask about discounts when reserving;

some places offer 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 lighter boxes on top.

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.





Find fun, fresh ways to use your cherished china



Build around a treasured pattern to create a refreshed look.

(BPT) - Sometimes collecting all the pieces to your cherished wedding china may take more time than you think. It took Jill Rogers four decades.

"After 44 years of marriage, I got the soup bowls I wanted; Mama would be so proud to know I finally have exactly what she wanted for me," says Rogers. "My mother started this pattern for me in high school, buying pieces from the area grocery store. The fact she started it was so sweet and special."

Over the years, Rogers actually forgot the name of her pattern. That's when she turned to dinnerware giant, Replacements, Ltd. The company's research team not only identified Rogers' vintage pattern through their free pattern-identification service, they even had the pieces she needed to complete her set.

"I collected pieces here and there through the years, but never had more than six place settings," adds Rogers. "We use it for special family occasions, such as birthdays and anniversaries, and sometimes we take our special china out just for us."

Replacements' designer, Julie Robbins, hears similar stories from baby boomers like Rogers, who after years of collecting, finally completed their patterns. However, as families mature and styles evolve, boomers are increasingly asking Robbins for fun ways to refresh their treasured patterns.

"They love their wedding china and are attached to it because it means so much to them, but they want to freshen it up and give their dinnerware a more current look and feel," says Robbins. "It's really easy to stay true to tradition, yet transform your table by adding a splash of color or different medium. Mixing and matching patterns continues to be a huge trend in tabletop, transcending all ages, from millennials to

boomers."

So, how do you go about creating a look that makes you want to take your vintage china out of storage and use it every day? Start by looking for complementing patterns that fit your lifestyle.

"You might start with a piece that you use on a regular basis, such as a salad plate, then build around that piece by adding patterns that pull out a color, shape or feeling that accentuates the current pattern you already own," says Robbins.

And who says your dinnerware is just for eating? Find fun ways to use it around your home.

"Think outside

the dining room," says Robbins. "I inherited a set thatI love but didn't fit my entertaining style, so I took the tea cups and now use them for notions in my sewing room. You could also use cups to hold doodads in any room of your house, while tureens and teapots make wonderful flower vases. I find bathrooms andpowder rooms are great places to use old china because those rooms are often under-decorated and very antiseptic. Using old, pretty serving pieces, such as an oval vegetable or sugar bowl to hold soap or flowers, helps make those rooms warmer and more inviting."





Use contemporary patterns to update cherished favorites like Willow Blue.







Last minute DIY tips for backyard hosting

(BPT) - Summer means outdoor entertaining. Whether you're hosting a wedding reception, a family reunion or a birthday party next summer, you'll want to make the backyard get together memorable.

Here are some quick DIY ideas to help you get ready for a fun, stress-free gathering.

Creating the ambiance. Beyond the table arrangements—linens, tableware, flowers—you'll want to think about creating a comfortable ambiance for your guests. Here are a few ideas to consider:

Throw some shade. Set up umbrellas or a shade sail if your gathering is in the heat of the day and you don't have much natural shade.

Illuminate the area. If your get-together is in the evening, create a welcoming atmosphere by setting out candles or lanterns and winding twinkle lights around trees in your back-

yard. If you have the space, build a simple fire pit where you can gather after dinner to make s'mores and tell stories. Transform planters and pots into nightlights using glow-in-the-dark paint.

Make it cozy. In addition to traditional seating, set out blankets, pillows and rugs on the lawn. Set up a low table and place rugs on the grass next to it to create a magical Moroccan evening.

Keep bugs at bay. Annoying flies or hungry mosquitoes can take a lot of the fun out of an outdoor party. Light citronella candles to deter mosquitoes, or make natural DIY bug spray for your guests using essential oils such as peppermint or eucalyptus.

Choosing activities. Your get-together likely already has some built-in activities (eating, for one!), but depending on the type of event, you may want to have a few additional distractions planned, especially if there

are kids at the party. Try a few of these:

Revive old favorites. Classic lawn games like croquet or lawn bowling are easy to set up and are great icebreakers if not everyone knows each other. You can mix things up and create your own variations on the rules.

Spray-paint your grass. Use ground-marking spray to create giant game boards directly on your lawn. Twister, checkers, tic-tac-toe—use your imagination!

Play putt-putt. Set up a miniature golf course with plastic cups as targets, and make challenging obstacles using whatever random objects you have on hand.

Lawn prep. A healthy green lawn is an inviting setting for outdoor activities. If your lawn isn't quite up to snuff, a little last-minute maintenance can help. Following are some tips from Grass Seed USA, a coalition of American grass

seed farmers and academics:

Fix bare or thin spots. You may not need as much time as you think to overseed thin or bare patches—some seed germinates in just a few days. Ask the turf specialists at your garden store or university extension office for help in selecting the right seed. Seed during the early morning or evening hours, then water lightly but regularly, keeping the reseeded areas damp until the new grass grows in.

Don't overwater. On average, a lawn needs about an inch of water per week, from rainfall or irrigation. Unless it's very hot or you have good soil drainage, don't water for two or three days before your party. A soggy lawn might ruin your guests' shoes, and furniture legs could sink into the ground.

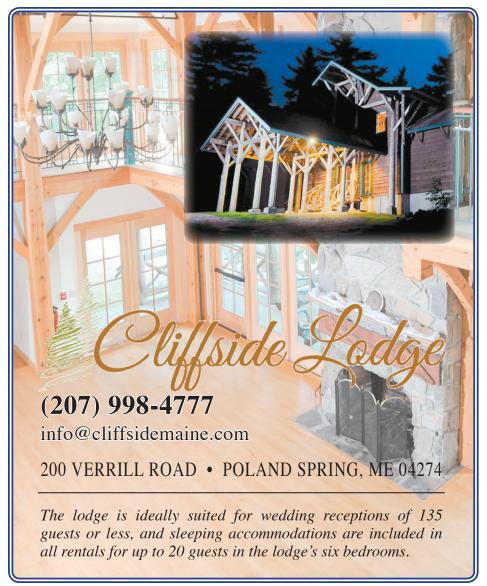
Leave a little length. Don't mow the grass too short before the event—a little extra length will provide more cushioning for the soil and your guests' feet. As a general rule, wait until your grass is 3 inches tall before mowing, then cut it to 2 inches in height. Trimming no more than one-third of the blade

length reduces stress on the grass and leaves enough leaf to protect the roots from the sun.

One of the great advantages of entertaining outdoors is that it's usually easier and less stressful than trying to fit a large group into your home. So keep things simple and don't worry if you don't have time for elaborate preparations—your backyard will naturally do most of the decorating and ambiance creation for you, and you'll have plenty of options for outdoor activities for kids of all ages.







The Many Colors of Love: Engagement Rings Get a Makeover



You can thank Kim Kardashian and Kanye West for setting the bar so high when it comes to getting married.

The average cost of a wedding — excluding a honeymoon — has now soared to more than \$31,000, according to the wedding-planning website TheKnot. And experts say the "images of celebrity wedding extravagance," a la the \$12 million "Kimye" nuptials in Florence, Italy, are influencing couples' spending choices.

Another reason for the jump, experts say, are the engagement rings.

"People want big rings like the ones celebrities wear," says Jason Kordvani, president of product development at Davani, a family-owned company specializing in colored gemstones that has an almost 50-year reputation for creating some of the most gorgeous engagement rings around. Local jewelers can help you choose your own ring.

Obviously, you don't have to shell out that much to have the wedding of your dreams. But with this being the prime time for popping the question — 39 percent of all marriage proposals occur between Thanksgiving and Valentine's Day — there is one trend that's become both a must and a potential money-saving opportunity.

Personalization, experts say, is on the rise.

Here's what we mean:

The engagement ring. If you read the glossies, you know that celebs like Elizabeth Hurley and Jessica Simpson are breaking from tradition and wearing engagement rings with colored gemstones. Not only does this take fashion to a whole new level, but colored gemstones have also become a way to customize an engagement ring.

And while it needn't be her birthstone — Simpson's is ruby, but Hurley's sapphire jibes with the month her then-fiancé was born — the right romantic touch can make for the ultimate in personalization.

"It can also be the month a couple met or her

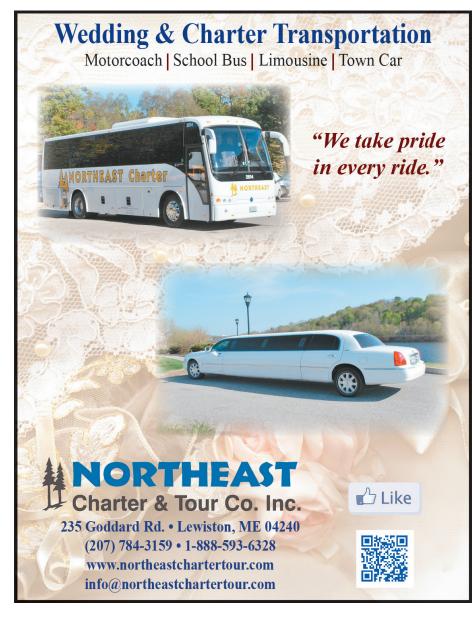


favorite color," says Kord-vani.

Whether sapphire, emerald, ruby or some other stone, Kordvani notes, couples are also often pleasantly surprised to discover they can get a "larger, more important-looking ring at much less cost than a diamond."

The reception. Spending on cocktail hours jumped 7 percent. So think signature cocktails rather than an open bar.

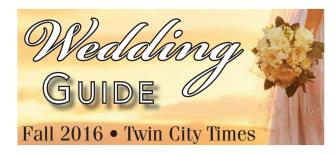
The wedding venue. "When couples get married, they're really looking for interesting, unusual details," Lorin Holmes, co-founder of VermontWeddings. com told USA Today. All things considered, the \$50,000 price tag to hold a reception at someplace like the New York Public Library—anything cultural or historic is also hot—makes the average venue booking fee of \$14,000 a little less jaw dropping.



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Tips for buying wines for your wedding

(BPT) - Traditional wedding rules have fallen by the wayside; food trucks are in, having a hashtag is a must, bridesmaids no longer wear the same dress and groomsmen are sometimes in sneakers.

Couples are actively seeking ways to differentiate themselves and get creative. All that aside, there is one thing that remains constant: weddings must have wine.

is no glass to raise during the toast to the bride and groom, and there is nothing to drink when the bar closes during dinner. Wine is the first thing guests are offered when they take a seat, and you know that they say—it's important to make a good first impression.

Choosing the right varietals for your wedding does not have to be a stressful endeavor. Whether you're a novice wine drinker or a connoisseur, follow these four tips and you'll please a crowd without spending





Say "cheers!" with a sparkling wine.

People love a good toast, and nothing washes down a teary maid of honor speech like a glass of sparkling wine. Prosecco is an accessible option that's ideal to enjoy any day of the

year, but perfectly suited for special occasions. You'll get six pours out of a bottle, so plan accordingly!

Good things come in threes.

In addition to a sparkling, you'll want a red and a white option that are familiar and food-friendly. You can't go wrong with a Merlot—look for labels from the Napa region. For a white, Pinot Grigio is exceptional and ideal for food pairing. Wine math: What you

didn't learn in school. Running out of wine mid-wedding isn't an option, so it's important to do

the math. You should antic-

ipate getting about 5 glasses

per bottle, and assume that

each guest will drink one

glass per hour. Follow this

rule and the wine will flow

and your guests happy.

Choosing an excellent wine doesn't mean paying top-dollar, but buying too cheap can mean sacrificing quality. There are countless high-quality, delicious, wines available for \$10 to \$20 per bottle, so leave the cheap stuff on the bottom all night long, keeping you shelf!

Don't break the bank,

but stay away from the

cheap stuff.









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Smart jewelry: The fashion-forward way to stay connected



(BPT) - Jewelry has signified the bonds between people since the ancient Egyptians created the wedding band. But the digital revolution is quickly converting jewelry from a symbol of connection to wireless ways to stay connected.

Rings, watches, pendants—even cufflinks have been transformed into miniature electronic devices that keep us in touch with people, including ourselves. This merger of fashion and function is catching on fast with consumers.

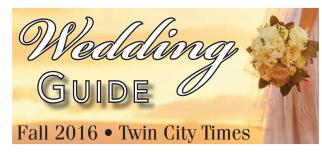
According to Gartner Inc., an information technology and research advisory firm, purchases of wearable smart devices will increase 16 percent in 2016, with smartwatch sales alone predicted to rise a whopping 66 percent.

The wearable device trend took off a decade ago, primarily for fitness. The Nike+iPod fitness tracker was the forerunner for a flood of new products embedded with tiny sensors that report the wearer's workout progress.

Functions, aesthetics determine price. Today, nearly all the major tech companies compete in the smartwatch market, including Apple, Google, Microsoft, Motorola and Samsung. Meanwhile, some traditional watchmakers—such as Tag Heuer—have developed their own hightech timepieces.

Top designers are also collaborating with hightech developers to create smart rings, bracelets, necklaces and other fine and fashion jewelry. FitBit, for instance, offers a line of fitness trackers conceived by Tory Burch, a well-known women's wear designer. The technology is embedded in embossed metallic pendants and bracelets.

Protect smart investments. Since smart jewelry could be a major jewelry investment—second only, perhaps, to



an engagement ring—it's important to adequately protect it with insurance.

Most homeowners' insurance policies cover jewelry to some extent. In many cases, however, your coverage may be limited. Plus, a jewelry claim could affect the status of your entire policy. That's why it's important to evaluate your insurance options.

Typical warranties and protection plans won't reimburse you if your smart jewelry disappears under mysterious circumstances—meaning you're not sure whether it was lost or stolen.

The best jewelry insurers will cover loss in such circumstances. They will also repair or replace the item through the jeweler or manufacturer of your choice and a loss.

If you're someone who appreciates socially responsible companies, look up Jewelers Mutual. The company is making news by offering \$2 million in donations to nonprofits that fight hunger, provide affordable housing and deliver medical research and exceptional care to kids battling cancer and other life-threatening diseases.











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Montanaro is a solo performer, an award-winning choreographer, and the innovator of "mimedance," a fusion of two classical art forms. She studied ballet at the Cantarella School of Dance, the Ram Island Dance Center and on scholarship with the Joffrey Ballet School. She danced professionally with the Ohio Ballet and the Darmstadt Opera Ballet in Germany. Upon moving back to the Unites States, she danced principal roles with the Portland Ballet Company. For more than a decade, she toured and taught internationally with mime master Tony Montanaro. She currently tours the world with her one-woman show, call "Tanzspiel."

For the past 15 years, Montanaro has been a teaching artist, offering residencies in movement, mime and dance in public and private schools throughout the United States. "Karen shared her wisdom about tapping into the infinite potential of what is possible," said Special Educator Nicole Gamblin about a recent workshop. "She urged the students to always do their best and to use all of their energy for each task. She encouraged them to try one more time when they want-

Public Theatre offers intimate evening with playwright, cast of "Last Gas"

Would you like an exclusive chance to go behind the scenes with Broadway actor and playwright John Cariani and the cast of the upcoming production of his latest play, "Last Gas," at The



Presque Isle native John Cariani is a Tony-nominated Broadway actor and successful playwright.

Public Theatre? This rare opportunity is available to

100 lucky people through a unique fundraising event that will take place at the theater on Wednesday, September 28 from 6 to 8 p.m.

The evening will include complimentary wine, beer and nibbles, a chance to meet and mingle with other theater lovers, and private tours to parts of the theatre audiences never see. A question-and-answer session with playwright John Cariani and a chance to watch a piece of rehearsal as Director Janet Mitchko and the actors do their work will also be a part of the experience.

Originally a native of Presque Isle, John Cariani has found success as an actor and playwright. He received a Tony Award nomination for Best Featured Actor in a Musical for the Broadway revival of "Fiddler on the Roof" and, most recently, originated the role of Nigel Bottom in the Tony-nominated musical "Something Rotten!" He is currently

in rehearsal for a new Off-Broadway musical at the Atlantic Theatre Company starring Tony Shalhoub.

Cariani is also a familiar face on television, having appeared on "Law & Order," "Homeland" and in various commercials. As a playwright, he is the author of the plays "Love/Sick" and "Almost, Maine," which has become one of the most produced plays in the country. His most recent play, "Last Gas," opens at The Public Theatre in Lewiston on October 14.

Tickets to the event are \$35 per person or \$50 per couple. Admission will be limited to the first 100 responses. Personally autographed scripts of Last Gas will also be available for purchase at the event. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 782-3200 or see www. thepublictheatre.org.

ed to give up. She planted seeds of hope for them to grow into their highest potential. She showed patience and believed in their abilities, allowing... them to emerge from their shells and dance outside their walls."

In the program, Montanaro will explore exactly what it means to grow into

our highest potential as humans and the integral part the arts can play in that process.

Tickets are \$14 (or \$12 for those ages 60 and over and \$8 for those ages 17 and under). All tickets are general admission and members receive priority seating. The lobby and con-

cessions open at 7 p.m. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended. Celebration Barn Theater is located just off Route #117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the box office at 743-8452 or see www. CelebrationBarn.com.





Chocolate Church Arts Center plans Tech Open House



The event will highlight recent improvements to the theater's sound, lighting and stage systems.

The Chocolate Church Arts Center, located at 804 Washington Street in Bath, will host a Tech Open House on Thursday, September 22 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. to showcase recent improvements in lighting equipment, sound capability and production.

"During the summer, we have been busy preparing for our upcoming 2016-17 performance season, and an important part of that has been upgrading the lighting system and enhancing the sound capability," said Executive Director Jennifer

DeChant. "We received several donations to assist with these important changes."

"In addition to the tech changes, we are thrilled to be replacing the 35-year-old cyclorama that covers the back stage," she continued. "There is no argument that this essential item has served its purpose for decades. We could not operate without it, because it is used for lighting projection and sound absorption and is incorporated into set design.

"These improvements will combine to heighten the entertainment experience for upcoming musical performances and stage productions. Plus, we are adding the ability to project images onto the stage for visual effect."

The Tech Open House will begin with a brief reception in the art gallery and then continue onto the main stage for a demonstration. The event is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. RSVP is requested by calling 442-8455 or emailing info@chocolatechurcharts. org.

Sky Family to perform at Court St. Baptist Church



Each member of the group will perform on several instruments and contribute to the rich vocal harmonies and dancing..

Eastern Canada's premier Irish Dance production the Sky Family will perform on Saturday, September 17 at 7 p.m. at the Court Street Baptist Church in Auburn. Hailing from Prince Edward Island, the group's members will each perform on several instruments and contribute to the show's

rich vocal harmonies and high-energy dance as the East Coast Music Association nominees present their "Celtic Revival!" program.

The show's fast-paced Celtic pop-rock music, dance, humor and Gospel inspiration provide toe-tapping entertainment for the whole family. All are invited

to attend at no charge. A free will offering will be received. The church is located at 129 Court Street in Auburn. For more information, call 784-6661.

Twin City Nights

Works by Joyce Coyne, Gene Bailey at CMMC



"Farm Stand," by Joyce Coyne



"Friends," by Gene Bailey

Paintings by Joyce Coyne and photography by Gene Bailey are on display in the main lobby hallway near Central Maine Medical Center's 60 High Street entrance during the month of September.

Joyce Coyne's work is recognizable for her signature light and airy style. Having been involved in art shows and festivals for many years, she now concentrates on home and garden commissions and murals. The watercolors in this month's exhibit are original paintings. Her work has been

represented by galleries in Maine and Massachusetts.

Gene Bailey has enjoyed photography for as long as he can remem-

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Franco Center hosting beginner classes for adults



Dr. Edho Mukendi and his wife, Julie, at a recent La Rencontre at the Franco Center.

The Gendron Franco Center will host week-night French classes for adult beginners starting on Tuesday, September 20. This unique course will run for seven weeks from September to November, meeting each Tuesday from 6 to 7 p.m.

"The class is for peo-

ple who have an interest in learning French, or who have some basic French language skills and want to become more fluent," said Jacynthe Jacques, the center's director of cultural and language programs.

Teaching the course will be Edho Mukendi. Born in the Democratic Republic of Congo, he has a degree in applied pedagogy in history and social sciences from Institue Supérieure Pédagogique of Kananga and a Doctorate in Education Sciences from the Unesco branch of the Université Pédagogique Nationale. Dr. Mukendi has lived in Maine for eight months. He has taught social work education at the college level since 1993 and is an engaged social advocate for youth.

Classes will take place in Heritage Hall at the Gendron Franco Center. The total cost for the seven classes is \$70, To register, call 783-1585, email jjacques@francocenter.org, or send contact information and payment to Franco Center, 46 Cedar Street, Lewiston, ME 04240. ATTN: Adult French Classes.

The Franco Center also offers Fun in French for children ages 4 to 12 on Saturday mornings, as well as other after-school programs in partnership with community organizations. For more information on this or other language programs, call 783-1585, email boxoffice@francocenter.org, or see FrancoCenter.org.

Emerge announces 2017 festival dates; now accepting submissions

The Emerge Film Festival has announced that its 2017 event will take place over four days, April 27 through 30, returning to favorite venue locations around Lewiston and Auburn, including the Franco Center, Community Little Theatre, and Bates College's Olin Arts Center and Schaeffer Theater. Film submissions are now being accepted for the 2017 event via the Festival website, listed below, and the online platform FilmFreeway.

"We are incredibly excited as we get ready to present the 2017 festival," said Board President Ramsey Tripp. "We have been planning all summer and look forward to bringing some new elements to the event, including a new film category, more workshops, and exciting opportunities for emerging artists to get involved."

Last year, the rising popularity of the event was reflected in the extraordinary number of film submissions festival organizers received. This year, the festival will maintain its community feel by offering tours of the Lewiston-Auburn area, discounts at area

restaurants, and opportunities to participate in local workshops between film screenings. The festival team hopes to see another strong response from filmmakers, and also hopes to see an increase in the number of film goers traveling to the area to attend.

"We have loved seeing familiar faces return year after year, simply because filmmakers who have screened here love the supportive energy that is tangible at our festival," said Managing Director Heather Beaulieu. "As our filmmakers have spread the word, both our local and out-of-state participation have grown dramatically."

A non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Maine in 2014, the Emerge Film Festival brings a diverse selection of Mainemade, national and international films to the Lewiston-Auburn area in the categories of documentary, short and feature-length films. The board of directors is comprised of a group of dedicated and passionate film enthusiasts and business leaders from the Maine community, and the festival works to promote the mo-See Emerge, page 17





Thursday, September 15

Business Development Workshop. 8 to 9:30 a.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Judi Jones, principal of InfoHarbor LLC, presents "LinkedIn - Making Connections for Business Success." \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Great Falls Forum. Noon. Callahan Hall, Lewiston Public Library. Acclaimed choreographer Sean Dorsey presents a multimedia program called "Unearthing Buried LGBTQ History Through Modern Dance." Free. Bring bag lunch. 513-3135; LPLReference@Gmail.com.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. The guest speaker is Spiller's owner and veteran Rotarian Raymond Martel. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica. millhime@maine.gov.

HR Thursdays Workshop. Noon to 2 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. The CEO and VP of Strategic Talent Management present "How to Win the War for Talent." \$50 (Chamber members \$25; Central ME Human Resource Assoc. members free). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetroChamber.com.

"Organizational Zen." 6 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Organizational expert Janie Downey Maxwell discusses how to stop losing things and bring peace and order into your day. Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Friday, September 16

French Sing-Along. 1:30 p.m. Rm. 170, L-A College, 51 Westminster St., Lewiston. Les Troubadours lead the singing of local Franco favorites as this free monthly event resumes for the season; all welcome, songbooks provided. 576-4109.

Girls' Night Out. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Harriet Beecher Stowe School, Brunswick. Girl Scouts of Maine hosts this opportunity for girls in grades K-5 and their parents to learn how Girl Scouts helps girls grow into their full potential. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Theater: "The Pirates of Penzance." 7 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. The center kicks off its new season with the classic Gilbert & Sullivan operetta. Again 9/17 and 18 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$12 (\$15 at door). 442-8455; www.chocolate-churcharts.org.

Saturday, September 17

Bird Walk for Beginners. Meet at Promenade Mall parking lot near Staples, 855 Lisbon St. in Lewiston, at 8 a.m. to carpool to St. Peter's Cemetery, returning c. 10:30. Bring binoculars, dress for the weather. Pres. by Stanton Bird Club. 319-6630.

Calendar

See more Calendar at www.TwinCityTimes.com

5K Trail Run-Walk. 8 a.m. Skyline Farm, 95 The Lane, No. Yarmouth. Prizes go to the first place overall male and female runners and to the top runners in eight age categories. \$20 in adv., \$25 on site. 415-6830; www. RunSignUp.com.

Walk to End Alzheimer's. 9:30 a.m. Simard-Payne Park, Lewiston. Start your own team or join one. Registration at 8 a.m. To get started, see alz.org/walk.

Concert: The Sky Family. 7 p.m. Court St. Baptist Church, Auburn. Eastern Canada's premier Irish Dance production presents their Celtic poprock music, dance, humor and Gospel-infused "Celtic Revival!" program. Free will offering. 784-6661.

Karen Montanaro. 8 p.m. Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. The solo performer and movement artist presents a program exploring the role of the arts in achieving our full potential. \$14/12/8. 743-8452; www.CelebrationBarn.com.

Sunday, September 18

Bob Boucher Memorial 5K Run-Walk. 9 a.m. St. Dominic Academy, Auburn. Cash prizes go to to top finishers. Register on race day for \$25. 782-6911, ext. 2109.

Strutt Your Mutt/ Dash for Dogs. 9 a.m. Greater Andro. Humane Soc., 55 Strawberry Ave., Lewiston. Dogs are welcome (on 6-foot leads) but are not required at this casual 5k walk-run. Check-in at 8 a.m. \$25 adv., \$30 onsite. www.SavingPetsInMaine.

Lewiston Farmer's Market. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Municipal Parking Lot, corner of Lincoln & Main. Enjoy family-fun activities while buying fresh, local goods and products. Sundays through mid-October. 513-3848; lewistonfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Country Sunday. Noon to 4:30 p.m. Litchfield Sportsmen's Club, 2782 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Country Fest Maine presents an afternoon of live country music; door prizes, raffles, concessions. Doors open at 11:00. \$5 (kids 12-free). 330-0545; 536-9647.

Homeless Veterans Concert. Noon. Augusta Civic Center. This year's event features some of Maine's most talented Country Music entertainers and "A Celebration of Conway Twitty and Loretta Lynn." Proceeds support placement services for homeless vets. \$17/37.626-2400; www.mhvbc.org.

Pagan Mabon Celebration. 1 to 4 p.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. Area pagans celebrate the Autumn equinox with a ritual, potluck, and activities for kids and adult. All welcome; bring snacks to share. 783-0461; www.auburnuu.org.

Monday, September 19

The Androscoggin County Republican Committee will meet at 7:00 pm-Where: GOP Headquarters 120 Center St. Auburn, ME Who: All County committee members, and interested, registered Republicans are welcome and encouraged to attend! Come out and meet our candidates and pick up signs and volunteer to help!

Art of Editorial Cartooning. 6:30 p.m. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. In the first program of the series, historian Erin Bishop, former director of Maine Archives & Museums, provides a historical overview of political cartoons. Free. 333-6640.

Tuesday, September 20

Business Development Workshop. 8 to 9:30 a.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Entrepreneur Tim Cyr of the Aspiring Entrepreneurs' Guild discusses "Quitting the Day Job." \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetroChamber. com.

Central ME Human Resources Assoc. Meeting. 7:45 to 9:30 a.m. Carriage House, 1119 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Kim Anania and Phil Harriman discuss "Succession Planning: Understanding Crucial Leadership Styles." Register at http:// cmhra.shrm.org/events.

Author Visit. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Author Aurelia Scott discusses her book, "Otherwise Normal People," a colorful, firsthand look inside the world of competitive rose gardening. Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Franco-Americans
During Wartime. 6 p.m.
Rm. 170, Lewiston-Auburn
College. Susan Pinette and
Lisa Michaud of UMO's
Franco-American Centre
discuss "In and Out of War
in Franco-American Communities: Soldiers, Veterans,
and Their Families." Free.
753-6545.

Wednesday, September 21

Membership Meeting. 5:30 p.m. Holy Family Parish Hall, Sabattus St., Lewiston. The Ladies of St. Anne of Holy Family Parish host their General Membership Meeting and Pot Pie Dinner. \$10. Purchase tix by 9/15 at 783-3850.

Thursday, September 22

Lisbon Business Breakfast Forum. 7:30 to 9 a.m. Lisbon Town Office. Lisbon business leaders are invited to this opportunity to network one-to-one and new Lisbon Police Chief Marc Hagan. RSVP by 9/19 to 353-3000, ext. 122 or tsteuber@lisbonme.org.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Rebecca Grover of the Maine Turnpike Authority discusses the MTA's GO Maine program. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

MEREDA Fall Networking Social. 5 to 7 p.m. Baxter Brewing Co., Lewiston. Enjoy great food, Maine-made beer, and friendly conversation with colleagues and friends from Maine's real-estate industry. \$35 (members \$25) until 9/15; add \$10 after. Register at www.mereda.org.

Legal Advisory Workshop. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Conf. Rm., Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Business attorney Michael Malloy discusses what the new federal overtime rule means for small businesses. Members \$25, non-members \$50. 783-2249; www.LAMetro-Chamber.com.

Thread Theatre. 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar Street, Lewiston. Actors (drawn at random) perform 10-minute scenes (drawn at random) on tonight's theme, "Back to School." Adult themes. Happy hour at 6:30. \$5.783-1585; www. francocenter.org.

Friday, September 23

Annual Soirée. 5:30 p.m. St. Mary's Nutrition Center/Agora Grand Event Center, Lewiston. This Nutrition Center event features appetizers, wine and beer tastings, demos with star chefs, and a full sit-down dinner. \$125. 777-8863; www.stmarysmaine.com/2016soiree.

Girls' Night Out. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. U.S. Army National Guard, Lewiston. Girl Scouts of Maine hosts this opportunity for girls in grades K-5 and their parents to learn how Girl Scouts helps girls grow into their full potential. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Senate District 20 Candidates Forum. 7 p.m. Meetinghouse, 389 Intervale Rd., New Gloucester. Beverly Cadigan moderates this issues forum for incumbent Eric Brakey and challenger Kimberly Sampson; audience questions. Free.

Manhattan Short Film Festival. 7:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, Lewiston. Audiences at 250 venues view 10 short films from around the world and then vote for the winner. Again 9/24. \$8. 782-3200; www.thepublictheatre.org.

Sunday, September 25

Lewiston Farmer's Market. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Municipal Parking Lot, corner of Lincoln & Main. Enjoy family-fun activities

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Monday, September 26

Author Visit. 6 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Local historian and author John Henderson discusses his new book, "Na Eireannach Na hAndroscoggin: The Irish of the Androscoggin." Copies avail. for purchase. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Friday, September 30

Girls' Night Out. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Grace Episcopal Church, Bath. Girl Scouts of Maine hosts this opportunity for girls in grades K-5 and their parents to learn how Girl Scouts helps girls grow into their full potential. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Saturday, October 1

The Dempsey Challenge. Simard-Payne Memorial Park, Lewiston. Pres. by Amgen, this run, walk and cycle event supports the Patrick Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope & Healing. Cont. Sunday. Register at www.dempseychallenge. org.

The Early Evening Show. 8 p.m. Celebration Barn, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. Mike Miclon's late-night talk show spoof concludes its summer run with a final all-new episode. \$14/12/8. 743-8452; www.CelebrationBarn.com.

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Monday, October 3

Stanton Bird Club Annual Meeting. 6 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Dinner is \$18, requires a reservation by 9/23; the 7 p.m. keynote address, "The Health of the Maine Moose Population" with MDIFW biologist Lee Kantar, is free and open to all. www.StantonBirdClub. org.

Tuesday, October 4

Franco-Americans During Wartime. 7 p.m. Rm. 170, Lewiston-Auburn College. Former Franco-American Collection coordinator James Myall discusses "Sous les Drapeaux: Franco-American Voices from the Front Lines." Free. 753-6545.

Art of Editorial Cartooning. 7 p.m. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. In the second program of the series, Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Mike Keefe offers insights and humorous commentary on a wide range of current events. Free. 333-6640.

Sunday, October 9

Lewiston Farmer's Market. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Municipal Parking Lot, corner of Lincoln & Main. Enjoy family-fun activities while buying fresh, local goods and products. Sundays through mid-October. 513-3848; lewistonfarmersmarket@gmail.

Monday, October 17

Art of Editorial Cartooning. 6 p.m. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. In the final program of the series, Bangor Daily News staff editorial cartoonist George Danby shares from his book, "The Essential Danby." Free. 333-6640.

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tion picture arts in the State of Maine, with a particular focus on encouraging an interest in filmmaking among the state's youth.

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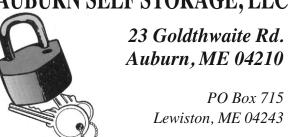
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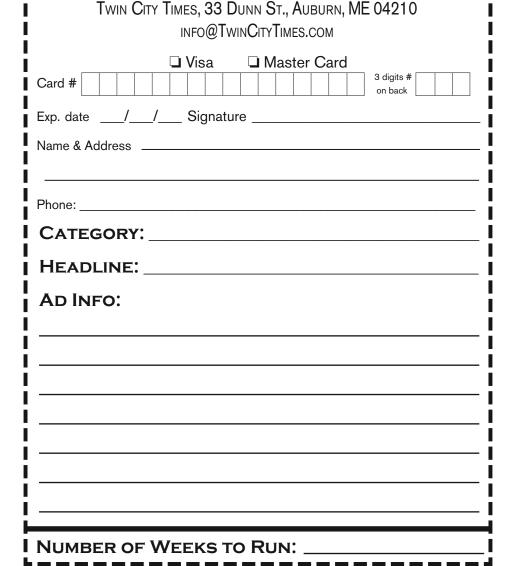
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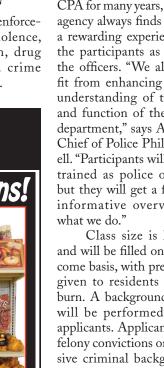
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