

Popular performers headline "Songs of the Silver Screen"



Singers Angela and Shawn Robitaille will appear with several others at the Gendron Franco Center's annual Gala and Benefit Concert on Saturday, October 15.

The Gendron Franco Center will kick off its upcoming performance season with its annual

Gala and Benefit Concert on Saturday, October 15 at 6 p.m. A pre-concert reception will feature com-

plimentary hors d'oeuvres from 12 local restaurants. Beginning at 7:30, See **Concert**, page 5

Mechanics Savings Bank Sponsors College for ME – Androscoggin Awards Luncheon



(L to R): Maggie Davis, Executive Director, College for ME – Androscoggin; Mary LaFontaine, Board President, College for ME – Androscoggin; Dick Roy, Executive Vice President, Chief Banking Officer, Mechanics Savings Bank; JoAnne Campbell, Senior Vice President, Commercial Department Manager, Mechanics Savings Bank.

Mechanics Savings Bank recently presented a check for \$1,000 to College for ME – Androscoggin as part of their sponsorship of the organizations' 11th Annual Awards Luncheon in December. The luncheon recognizes local businesses, higher education advocates and students of all ages.

College for ME – An-

droscoggin was founded in 2005 by community leaders with the goal of doubling the number of Androscoggin County residents who hold post-secondary degrees. College for ME – Androscoggin works with local schools to develop and enhance a college-going culture and also works with local employers and

adult students to increase education levels across the community.

"The annual luncheon provides the space for our students to tell their moving stories of academic success and life transformation," said Maggie Davis, College for ME – Androscoggin's Executive Director. "The See **MSB**, page 5

MPPA photos on display at WHA Gallery

Photographs by Alana Ranney and other members of the Maine Professional Photographers Association are now on display in the Women's Hospital Association Art Gallery at Cen-

tral Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. The display can be viewed through the month of October in the main lobby hallway near the hospital's 60 High Street entrance.

A member of the Maine Professional Photographers Association since 2011, Ranney started photographing the world around her after taking a photography class in high school in the mid-1980s. While fall is one of her favorite seasons to photograph because of the stunning autumn colors, she is always looking See **WHA**, page 5

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

New faculty and staff members at CMCC



Christine Lee, Advising Specialist



Crystal Ayotte, Nursing Instructor



Rebecca Buck, Advising Specialist



Amy Rousseau, Nursing Instructor

Central Maine Community College has announced the following appointments to the college's faculty and staff.

Christine Lee, Advising Specialist. Lee comes to CMCC from the University of Maine at Augusta. She

holds a degree in mental health and human services, is certified as a substance abuse rehabilitation technician, and has her MHRTC. She is also a child and youth care practitioner. She owned a full-service equestrian facility for over a decade and has

many years of experience in the equestrian field.

Rebecca Buck, Advising Specialist. Buck brings to CMCC prior experience in higher education student advising. She has a bachelor's degree in Health Sciences and is currently working on her M.S. in Adult and Higher Education. Born and raised in Maine, she is an outdoor enthusiast who enjoys exploring New England.

Crystal Ayotte, Nursing Instructor. Ayotte has served as an adjunct instructor in the Nursing program and has over a decade of experience as a nurse at CMMC and Maine Medical Center. She is nearing completion of a master's degree with a clinical nurse leader specialization. She will work with the CMCC nursing cohort in Damariscotta.

Amy Rousseau, Nursing Instructor. Originally from Lewiston-Auburn, Rousseau started her career in elementary education before changing careers. After earning degrees in nursing from CMCC and UMaine at Fort Kent, she became employed at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center, where she continues to serve as an orthopedic educator and nighttime house supervisor. She has her PALS and ACLS certification and occasionally works as a floor nurse.

Cromwell Center works to stop bullying



The Cromwell Center for Disabilities Awareness provided its free disabilities awareness, sensitivity and anti-bullying program at Park Avenue Elementary School in Auburn recently as a part of the school's Anti-Bullying Awareness Day. Since 2003, the Cromwell Center has provided free programs to over 72,804 children in 3,970 classrooms in central and southern Maine. Here Park Avenue students assemble to make a school-wide peace sign.

Land Trust names Conservation Director



Shelley Kruszewski

The Androscoggin Land Trust has named Shelley Kruszewski as its Conservation Director, respon-

sible for all aspects of land stewardship, event planning, membership outreach and support for the organization.

"Shelley brings great enthusiasm, initiative, and skill to this key position in our organization," said ALT Board President Jim Pross. "As an active Auburn resident, she is deeply committed to the environmental health of our region and to ensuring that outdoor experiences and natural places are available to future generations."

Kruszewski earned a B.A. in English at the University of New Hampshire and a Master's in Community Planning and Development with a focus on Land Use and the Environment from the Muskie School of Public Service. In addition to her conservation experience working for the Association of State Wetland Managers and ReTreeUS, she has also served as Associate Dean of Admission at Wayne State School and has worked in the legal field.

A native of Durham, Kruszewski's interest in the environment was sparked by early outdoor experiences with her family. "Much of my childhood was spent camping, hiking in the White Mountains and paddling the lakes and rivers of Maine and New Hampshire," she says. As an adult, she continues to enjoy a variety of active outdoor pursuits, including hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, paddling, and biking. "I love the change of seasons in Maine and make a point to go swimming in the ocean by the end of May each year," she adds.

"I feel so fortunate to be working at ALT," she remarked. "Conserving forests, local farms and other ecologically valuable land is vitally important work to our community. I am grateful to have the opportunity to serve the community."

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October Programs

Nurturing Parents Workshop Series

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Advocates for the hungry plan Election Day Food Drive



Announcing the initiative are (l. to r.) Pastor John Robbins of Hope Haven Gospel Mission, Bryan Dench and Darcie Beaudin of Skelton Taintor & Abbott, Erin Reed of Trinity Jubilee Center and Maureen Costello Wedge of Sun Media Group.

Local advocates for the hungry, including representatives of Hope Haven Gospel Mission, Trinity Jubilee Center, the Lewiston and Auburn school departments, and Lewiston-Auburn businesses, gathered recently to announce an unprecedented effort to reduce the burden of food insecurity in the area. Their goal? To turn election day into a day of hope by collecting 10,000 pounds of food in an Election Day Food Drive.

With nearly 20% of Maine children living in poverty and 208,000 Mainers suffering from food insecurity, the populations served by local relief agencies come from all walks of life, and they're growing.

"We've gone from seeing 70 people every meal to now more than 100 or 110 people," said Pastor John Robbins of Hope Haven Gospel Mission. "We're seeing new faces all the time. This increase is really putting a strain on our resources."

"Last month, our soup kitchen served 2,307 meals, and 1,949 people received groceries from our food pantry," said Erin Reed of Trinity Jubilee Center. "Some of these folks are homeless or mentally ill, while others are senior citizens or working parents."

Voters in Lewiston and Auburn are being asked to bring nonperishable food

items with them to the polls when they go vote. All food collected will be distributed to Trinity Jubilee Center, Hope Haven Gospel Mission, and food pantries of the Lewiston and Auburn schools.

One of the business leaders behind the effort is Bryan Dench, Chairman of Skelton Taintor & Abbott. "In Hope Haven Gospel Mission and Trinity Jubilee Center, we are fortunate to have two outstanding agencies in Lewiston-Auburn that provide critically needed support to members of our community who face homelessness or food insecurity," said Dench. "Local schools also work to alleviate these problems. By partnering with them on this effort, we hope to stimulate voters to come to the polls with a large amount of needed food. Our goal is ambitious, but we are counting on the interest surrounding this election and the good hearts of L/A voters to make it a reality."

Employees of Skelton Taintor & Abbott will volunteer to help collect items at polling locations across Lewiston and Auburn. The goal is to have at least two volunteers at each polling location in Lewiston and Auburn while polls are open on election day. Additional volunteers are needed. For more information or to volunteer, contact Darcie Beaudin at Skelton Taintor & Abbott at 784-3200 or dbeaudin@sta-law.com.

Governor LePage Receives Highest Marks on Fiscal Report Card

The Cato Institute has released its 2016 Fiscal Policy Report Card on America's Governors, in which Governor Paul R. LePage received the highest overall grade among all governors. "It's all about implementing good economic policies that will help the Maine people; this is what I care about," said Governor LePage.

Five governors, including Governor LePage, received the top honor in this year's 13th biennial fiscal report card. The Cato Institute is a public policy research organization, whose scholars and analysts conduct independent, nonpartisan research on a wide range of policy issues. Earning an "A" are Republican Governors Paul R. LePage of Maine, Pat McCrory of North Carolina, Rick Scott of Florida, Doug Ducey of Arizona and Mike Pence of Indiana.

"Paul LePage of Maine has been a staunch fiscal conservative. He has held down spending growth, and state government employment has fallen 9 percent since he took office," cited the report. "LePage has been a persistent tax cutter.

In 2011 he approved large income tax cuts, which reduced the top individual rate and simplified tax brackets. In 2015 he vetoed a tax-cut plan passed by the legislature partly because the cut was not large enough. The legislature overrode him, and Maine enjoyed another income tax reduction. In 2016 LePage pushed for more reforms, including estate tax repeal and further income tax rate cuts."

The Fiscal Policy Report Card examined seven tax and spending variables, including two spending variables, one revenue variable and four tax-rate variables. Fiscal policy trends were also examined and notes reductions to individual and corporate income tax rates. There have been substantial rate cuts in Arizona, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio and Oklahoma in recent years.

Ten governors were awarded an "F": Robert Bentley of Alabama, Peter Shumlin of Vermont, Jerry Brown of California, David Ige of Hawaii, Dan Malloy of Connecticut, Dennis Daugaard of South Dakota, Brian Sandoval of Nevada, Kate Brown of Oregon, Jay

Inslee of Washington and Tom Wolf of Pennsylvania.

Governor Paul LePage, who took office in January 2011, has been a staunch fiscal conservative. He has held down general fund spending in recent years, and he has cut state government employment 9 percent since he took office. LePage has signed into law cost-cutting reforms to welfare and health programs, and he has decried the negative effects of big government: "Big, expensive welfare programs riddled with fraud and abuse threaten our future. Too many Mainers are dependent on government. Government dependency has not—and never will—create prosperity."

In 2011 he approved large income tax cuts, which reduced the top individual rate, simplified tax brackets, and reduced taxes on low-income households. He also increased the estate tax exemption, cut business taxes, and halted automatic annual increases in the gas tax.

In 2013 LePage vetoed the legislature's budget because it contained tax increases, including an increase in the sales tax rate from 5.0 to 5.5 percent. However, his

veto was overridden by the legislature.

In 2015 the Maine budget process broke down. LePage proposed a plan to reduce the top individual income tax rate from 7.95 to 5.75 percent, reduce the top corporate tax rate from 8.93 to 6.75 percent, eliminate narrow tax breaks, repeal the estate tax, and raise sales taxes. When the legislature rejected the plan, LePage said that he would veto any bills sponsored by Democrats. In the end, the legislature passed a budget that included substantial tax cuts over the veto of LePage, who wanted larger cuts. The plan cut the top personal income tax rate from 7.95 to 7.15 percent, reduced taxes for low-income households, increased the estate tax exemption, and made the prior sales tax rate increase permanent.

In 2016 LePage pushed for more tax cuts. In his State of the State address, he proposed reducing the individual income tax rate to 4 percent over time and repealing the estate tax. Over the years, he has also called for abolishing the state income tax altogether.

Trust

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tunity to work with so many partner organizations and businesses in the region and to meet people on our trails and on the Androscoggin River."

Androscoggin Land Trust is a non-profit, membership-supported land trust dedicated to the protection and stewardship of lands with conservation value in the Androscoggin River watershed, along with providing outdoor recreational and educational opportunities for the general public. In 2014, it earned accreditation by the Land Trust Alliance, a mark of national distinction in land conservation.

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Only Steps Forward

MaineOxy creates an attractive entrance to our community

By **Jonathan P. LaBonte**
MAYOR OF AUBURN

Create jobs. Focus on local businesses. Invest in education and workforce development. Clean up the gateways to the city. Support our first responders and military.

In no particular order, if I were to distill the many communications I receive from citizens about where our priorities should be as a city, that list of five would likely capture most. Of course, many of those

same requests are followed by an expectation that we hold the line on taxes or cut them.

This may sound like an unsolvable dilemma with community priorities being in conflict with the same expectation to reduce taxes. It is not.

This reality wasn't clearer than on a beautiful, sunny, warm fall afternoon last Friday at the headquarters of MaineOxy on Washington Street North as they held an open house



Mayor Jonathan P. LaBonte

and customer appreciation day to celebrate the restoration of the historic Winter Building.

Founded in Auburn in 1929, they have continued to evolve in response to customer demands and market opportunities. While remaining headquartered here, they now have a footprint all over New England and into Quebec. As they have grown and diversified, that has stabilized and added employment right here locally.

Speaking of Quebec, Friday's ribbon cutting deserves both praise and a note of disappointment. Despite

local food truck Pinky D's being present with the diverse menu of poutine (fries, curdled cheese, gravy) offerings, it appears MaineOxy owner Dan Guerin is a Canadiens fan. Those on tours were greeted with a large Montreal Canadiens flag flying in their warehouse next to a much smaller Boston Bruins flag.

Seeing a need among customers not being met with existing programs, MaineOxy established the non-profit New England School of Metal Work, again based here in Auburn, to provide high-quality training in the fields of welding and metalsmithing. Students from as far away as Australia have come to take part in these trades programs.

The New England School of Metal Work building is one of many buildings along a key gateway to Auburn that have been invested in by MaineOxy. For years, I've heard folks calling for the city to step in and acquire or force the demolition of buildings along Washington Street North. In the case of the historic Winter Building, MaineOxy saw a business need and opportunity and invested.

That business need, however, came with a civic commitment that as they expanded their office and retail space, they wanted to save as much of the historic mill as possible. While that meant back portions of the mill and the smokestack

were lost, the remaining building has been tastefully restored and serves as a very attractive entrance to the core of our community.

Entering Auburn now says so much about who we are as a community. One that is seeing the growth of local businesses. One that is built on supporting industry and makers. And one committed to restoring our historic buildings. Not a bad trifecta.

The last point, regarding supporting our first responders and troops, comes down to a conversation I had with the leader of Code Gratitude, a company that develops relationships with other businesses to offer incentives to first responders and service men and women who do business with them.

To hear how quickly MaineOxy signed on to this program and why it was important for them as a company to do so speaks volumes about its leadership and corporate culture.

Of the long list of community desires, a private business with community-committed leadership and a successful business model was able to achieve them.

While there are investments and activities that will require involvement of the city over time, there are very clear limits.

The success of this city will require businesses like MaineOxy and there are already many, that are based here and are equally committed to our future.

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Enough is Enough

Democrats will roll out Social Security talking points--again

By **Robert E. Macdonald**
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The day after Labor Day, I suddenly realized it was the official beginning of the fall election season. Every two years, we are bombarded with the Democratic Party and their candidates sighting in and taking aim at the 65-year-old-and-older voter.

They go into their closely guarded political vault and remove their biannual plan that promises to work on and fix Social Security once they (and this is the key phrase) get elected.

When I hear this promise, it takes me back to growing up in Massachusetts. It seemed that whenever one of the Kennedy Clan got into trouble, they would roll out the Matriarch of the Family, Rose (the only saintly one of the Clan), to speak to the public from her

wheelchair. If she had been eligible for frequent flyer miles, she would have been in perpetual flight.

Being election time, like the Kennedys, Maine Democrats go into their issue vault, find their Social Security talking points, dust them off and recycle them back into the current campaign.

Like many of you, I have been on Social Security for many years. During that time it has become evident that rising food and service prices have continued upward eating up our meager benefits.

Small cost-of-living adjustments, coupled with ever increasing medical costs, continue to eat away at the stipend that was awarded to older Americans by the federal government when you entered the retirement program.

and Angela Robitaille, Michael James Litchfield, Chris LHomedieu, Eileen Messina, Renee Mahon Davis, Sophie Messina, Jordan Payne, Emily Flynn, Briley Bell, Madison Leslie, Hayden Thomas, Sophie Wood, Mackenzie Richard, Rebekah Leonard, Stefanie Lynn, and the casts of Community Little Theatre's summer productions of "Beauty and the Beast," "The Lion King, Jr.," and the upcoming production of "Chicago."

The event is open to the public; however, all current sponsors and advertising supporters are invited guests of the Center. Advance tickets for the show and the before and after parties are \$50 each. Tickets for the concert only will be available at the door. Visit the Box Office at 46 Cedar Street in Lewiston, call 783-1585, or see www.francocenter.org.

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luncheon also provides the opportunity for students to understand how the support of local businesses like Mechanics Savings Bank played a part in their pursuit of higher education."

Mechanics Savings Bank is a full service community bank with branches in Auburn, Brunswick, Lewiston, and Windham, Maine. Over the past decade, Mechanics has donated more than \$1 million to local causes. Non-prof-



Mayor Bob Macdonald

But every election cycle the promises made to older voters end up as nothing more than just that—promises. Once the election is over, the Social Security talking points are returned to the vault of promises and placed in mothballs until the next election.

Absentee ballots now available

The Presidential Election will take place on Tuesday, November 8, and absentee ballots for this election are now available for Lewiston residents who would like to vote early. Registered voters who want an absentee ballot may call the City Clerk's Office, order one online through the City's website, or pick one up at City Hall. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"Voters have been able to order their absentee ballots starting in August, and we have been holding these orders until the ballots were received from the State," said Lewiston City Clerk Kathy Montejo. "We just mailed out 1,050 absentee ballots from those pending requests. This is one of the largest orders of absentee ballots received before October."

Voters are interested in absentee voting, which is increasingly popular with each election, for a variety of reasons: they can have

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Upon taking office, President Obama promised to address Social Security. At that time the Democrats controlled both Houses of Congress, yet we had no reform. But give them another chance. Someday, probably not in our lifetime, they may actually address the problem.

The only question is that when it is finally addressed, will people still be getting some type of return on their forced investment?

The upcoming election is introducing Maine voters to what is referred to as the Granny Bloomberg Effect. This refers to former New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg, who like an over protective grandmother famously tried to regulate and ban soft drinks over 16 ounces

from being sold in restaurants and movie theaters.

Well, Granny Bloomberg has interjected himself into the current Maine election. Ballot Question 3 will add another page of meaningless, unenforceable laws to our criminal code. This proposed law would ensure that law-abiding citizens have a chance to be added to the criminal rolls, but we'll address this next week.

For now, let's talk about the blowback created when your ego overtakes your common sense. Apparently, this is a common characteristic when you attain a leadership position during your political career.

A current candidate has unleashed the ire of parents for attempting a poor imita-

tion of Granny Bloomberg. This candidate helped pass a bill that had the potential to place their children into the inevitable position of possibly being bullied in school—this because many legislators don't get it. They work for, not worship, by those they represent.

Now this legislator's arrogance has caught up to the candidate. But rather than issuing a mea culpa, the candidate is claiming they are the victim of this scurrilous ad. It appears the ad is being run by parents upset by what the candidate did, not by their opponent.

There is one saving grace in all of this political hoopla: if you get sick of it, you can always turn to the World Series.

District 21, Representative to the Legislature Districts 58, 59, 60 and 61, Registrar of Probate, and County Commissioner District 1. Also appearing on the ballot are five referendum questions and one bond issue. The referendum questions pertain to legalizing marijuana, education funding, background checks for gun sales, the minimum wage, and ranked

choice voting.

Voters are encouraged to contact the City Clerk's Office at 513-3124 with any questions they may have regarding the election process. The City's website also contains sample ballots, directions to polling places and other information that voters may find useful. The address is www.lewiston-maine.gov/elections.

WHA

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for patterns, color, and the right light. She enjoys photographing antique cars and trucks, barns, abandoned homes, quaint Maine towns, lighthouses, waterfalls, scenic vistas, and all things unique to Maine.

The photographs from the MPPA represent works from the second annual heART of Photography Exhibit and Competition, which garnered entries from MPPA members, local area camera clubs and other associations in and outside of Maine. Entries were judged by master photographer Steve Bedell. The winner of the competition was Laura Zamfirescu for her photo "Hummingbird." For more information on the heART of Photography exhibit, contact Jim Walker at 650-0200.

The artwork on display may be purchased through the WHA Gift Shop, located adjacent to the Main Lobby. A percentage of sale proceeds benefits CMMC.

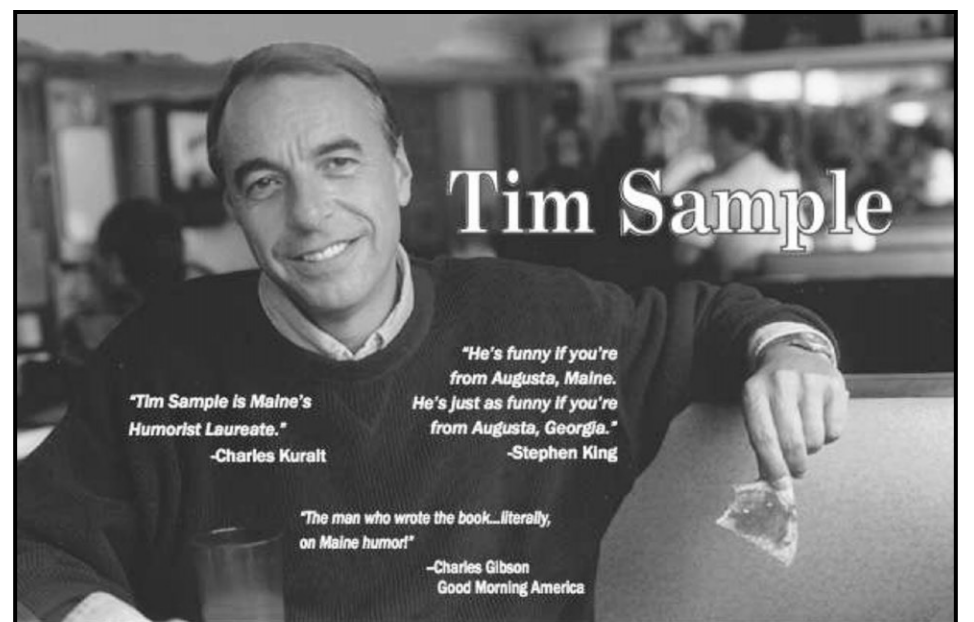
Concert

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the entertainment portion, "Songs of the Silver Screen," will present popular Hollywood movie themes performed by talented Maine artists. After the show, the party will continue with a post-concert reception with complimentary champagne and dessert.

The Franco Center's Richard Martin and Mitch Thomas will direct the show, and Thomas and his band will be the accompanists. The band includes musicians Jeff Munson on bass, Dr. Jeff Mayerson on drums, and Neil James on guitar.

The performers will include Kay Warren, Shawn



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Out & About with Rachel Morin

Political Cartoonist Mike Keefe visits APL

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

We have to thank the Auburn Public Library for bringing the Political Cartoons series to the public to see and hear the delightfully interesting and entertaining speakers in September and now through October. It comes at the height of the Presidential campaign when political and editorial cartoons are seen everywhere in newspapers, magazines and on every talk show.

Indeed, when Pulitzer Prize-winning Cartoonist Mike Keefe opened his presentation Tuesday evening, October 4, in the Androscoggin Community Room, he observed, "This has to be the strangest Presidential election of all times." This drew laughter from the appreciative audience and set the tone for a fun evening.

Many in the audience had accepted APL Director Mamie Anthoine Ney's invitation to meet and chat informally with Keefe earlier in the day at a Social in the Grand Reading Room. It was a splendid opportunity to meet the personable author and get to know him.

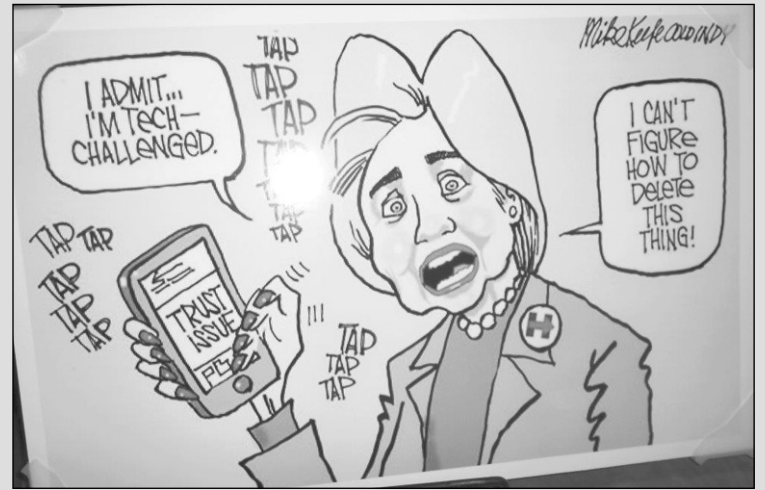
Considering his extensive and impressive credentials, I did not expect Keefe to be as low key, down to earth, warm, and easily approachable as he was. He quickly mingled with the patrons in small clusters.

The eye-catching poster-sized cartoons on easels around the room drew lots of attention and comments. We did love his cartoons. I took a few pictures of my favorites and Mike Keefe graciously allowed me to use my photos of his cartoons for my column in the Twin City Times.

Getting a lot of attention and laughs was a cartoon of a one-man band



Cartoon by Mike Keefe



Cartoon by Mike Keefe

promoting his candidacy as well as one of a woman candidate claiming she is tech-challenged. Another showed a couple driving in a neighborhood with political signs on the lawns and the woman saying, "This is my favorite time of the year. The Fall signs will soon be full of color."

Keefe's slide show depicted several years of his political cartoons. The people in the cartoons were realistic and instantly recognizable. This prompted a woman to ask if he had ever taken art lessons. Keefe responded that he just drew naturally and his illustrations got better over the years.

Keefe was the editorial cartoonist for The Denver Post from 1975 through 2011. He was a John S. Knight Journalism Fellow at Stanford University and is past President of the Association of American Editorial Cartoonists. He was a juror for the 1997 and 1998 Pulitzer Prize in Journalism and won the Pulitzer himself in 2011. His cartoons have appeared in Time, Newsweek, The New York Times, USA Today, The Washington Post and in over 500 newspapers across the country. Since 2012, Keefe has drawn a weekly cartoon for The Colorado Independent, an online news site.

Coming up next at APL's "No Laughing Mat-



Cartoon by Mike Keefe



Susan Weiss, APL Board of Trustees, and Pulitzer Prize-winning Cartoonist Mike Keefe

ter: The Pulitzer Prize and The Art of Editorial Cartooning" series is Lewiston-born Mike Jordan of the Big Red A Press. He will lead a hands-on workshop, "The Art of Cartooning" on October 13, at 6:30 p.m. He will discuss sequential art

and the changes in dynamics between a one-panel strip and a three-panel strip and beyond. Attendees will then create a three panel-strip by committee with Jordan's guidance.

Bangor Daily News staff editorial cartoonist George Danby will share excerpts from his book "The Essential Danby" and offer his perspective from the modern life and politics in Maine and beyond for the last few decades. This will be October 17 at 6 p.m.

The library events are supported by Maine



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Joel and Linda Lelansky were the first to arrive to meet Pulitzer Prize-winning Cartoonist Mike Keefe.

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Trunk or Treat

The United Methodist Church of Auburn will hold its first ever Trunk or Treat event in the church parking lot at 439 Park Avenue on Sunday, October 30 from 4 to 7 p.m. Decorate your

car trunk with a Halloween or fall theme and Trick-or-Treaters will go from car to car.

For more information or to participate, contact the Church Office at 782-3972.

Turkey Dinner and Auction at Methodist Church



Calvary United Methodist Church is sponsoring a Turkey Dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, October 22. Enjoy a traditional homemade Turkey Dinner with all the fixins'. Cost is \$10 for adults. Tickets for children are \$1 per year of age. Admission to the silent auction is free. Come and bid on hundreds of items,

gift cards for local businesses and gift certificates to area events. Bidding begins at 3:30 p.m. Dinner is served at 5 p.m. All proceeds from the auction and dinner go toward community services provided by the church. Please use our garden entrance around the back on Bartlett Street. To reserve tickets contact Lucky at 784-3869.

CMRHA program examines employee health screenings

On Tuesday, October 18 at the Carriage House in Lewiston, a panel of experts will discuss post offer health screening and fitness for duty evaluations, including: What are they? When can they legally be done under what circumstances? What can an employer do with the information learned? Are there forms, policies, or other documents that help the process? What are the benefits of doing certain tests and what are the risks and limitations? And how can any sane employer deal with so many acronyms all at the same time: FMLA, ADA, MHRA, GINA, WC?

The panel, consisting of a doctor who performs such tests, an attorney who advises about them, and a human resource professional who balances it all, will address this topic in detail,

with time at the end of the program for questions and answers.

The panelists are Dr. Jonathan Torres of St. Mary's Regional Medical Center, Rebecca Webber of Skelton Taintor & Abbott, and HR professional Janine Valliere. Feel free to submit questions in advance to rwebber@STA-law.com.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. The program takes place from 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Carriage House, 1119 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. There is time to network before and after the program. Registration on line is preferred and available at <http://cmhra.shrm.org/events>. Questions about membership should be directed to Cindy Letourneau or Lori McRae at: membership-chair@cmhra.org.

Jonathan Torres, MD, offers occupational medical

What's Going On

Ladies of St. Anne host membership meeting

The Ladies of St. Anne Sodality of Holy Family, Prince of Peace Parish will host a membership meeting on Wednesday, October 19 at 6 p.m. in the Holy Family parish hall on Sabattus Street in Lewiston. Doors will open at 5:30. After a brief business meeting, games of Halloween Bingo

will be played. The admission fee will be a bag of wrapped Halloween candy to be donated to the activity department at d'Youville Pavilion for distribution to patients. Refreshments will be served by Flo Marquis. Save the date for their upcoming Noel Gala on November 12 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Blessing of the Animals at Auburn UU

A Blessing of the Animals will take place during worship service at First Universalist Church of Auburn on Sunday, October 16 at 10 a.m. Part of the church's Animal Ministry, this will be the second year Auburn UU conducts the ceremony. "The seventh principle of Unitarian Universalism is, 'Respect for the interdependent web of all existence, of which we are a part,'" explained Rev. Jodi Cohen Hayashida. "This blessing of the animals, then, is a reflection of our commitment to honor the sacredness of all life."

"The service held such meaning for us, truly putting our Unitarian Universalist principle of 'respect for the interdependent web of all life' into action," said Dana Rickman of Animal Ministry.

Companion animals who are comfortable in crowds and vaccinated are

care for employers and their staff as part of WorkMed and St. Mary's. WorkMed offers customized workplace screening and return to work solutions. He is board certified in Occupational Medicine, is a Fellow in the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, and is a certified Medical Review Officer.

Rebecca S. Webber is a partner at the law firm See **Screenings**, page 15

welcome. Please make sure they are secured, either on a leash or in a carrier, for their safety, and arrive a bit early so the group can gather before the service. Photos of your animal companions are also welcome. Rev. Jodi will bless each one individually during this recognition of St. Francis' Feast Day.

This ceremony is part of the church's Animal Ministry. First Universalist Church is located at 169 Pleasant Street in Auburn. Please enter on Spring Street, across from Dairy Joy. For more information, call 783-0461 or see www.auburnuu.org.

Maine College of Health Professions hosts open houses

The Maine College of Health Professions will host two open houses this month, on Wednesday, October 19 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. to noon. The MCHP provides the finest real-world education to future health care professions. MCHP offers a progressive learning environment that includes exceptional hands-on clinical training, unparalleled access to professional and medical resources, small class sizes, and a highly supportive staff. Degree programs are offered in nursing (registered nurse), radiologic technology, and nuclear medicine technol-

ogy as well as certificate programs in computed tomography, and certified nursing assistant.

The event will feature student-led tours of the Lewiston campus, demonstrations of nursing and medical imaging simulation equipment, information about academic programs, financial aid, the admissions process, transfer options and general education. Light refreshments will be served. MCHP is located at 70 Middle Street in Lewiston. Those interested are encouraged to stop by and find out how to get started. For more information, call 795-2840 or see www.mchp.edu.

County GOP Committee meets Monday

The Androscoggin County Republican Committee will meet on Monday, October 17 at 7 p.m. at GOP Headquarters, located at 120 Center Street in Auburn. All

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What's Going On

HR Thursdays tackles "Federal Overtime Rule Changes"

In partnership with the Central Maine Human Resource Association and the Lewiston Career-Center, the LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will host an HR Thursday program called "Federal

Overtime Rule Changes as they Apply to Maine Employers" on Thursday, October 20 from noon to 2 p.m.

Maine statutes incorporate by reference the salary requirements

under the Fair Labor Standard Act. Maine employers who currently claim overtime exemptions for their employees who work in a "bona fide executive, administrative or professional capacity" will be required to comply with the new rules for these categories of workers effective December 1, 2016.

Facilitated by Pamela Megathlin, Director of the Bureau of Labor Standards of the Maine Department of Labor, this workshop will provide an overview while discussing the changes required and the differences between federal and state requirements.

Megathlin leads the agency tasked with providing oversight and enforcement of Maine's labor laws. Her bureau also oversees SafetyWorks!, the department's on-site health

and safety consultation and training program for both the public and private sectors. She serves on a number of governmental and industry panels, including the Board of Occupational Safety and Health and the Citizen Trade Policy Commission. She also serves on the Executive Board for the National Association of Government Labor Officials.

All "HR Thursdays" human resources seminars take place in the Chamber's conference room at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston and cost \$25 for Chamber members, \$50 for non-members, and are free for members of the Central Maine Human Resource Association.

For more information, call 783-2249. To register, see www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Senior College visits JFK Library, Holocaust Memorial



Chris Leavitt, Joan Leavitt and Martha Sirois at the JFK Memorial and Library

On Saturday, September 24, a group from LAC Senior College traveled by Custom Coach to Boston. Their first stop was the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library and Museum, which is the nation's official memorial to John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 35th President of the United States, and is dedicated to "all those who through the art of politics seek a new and better world." The Library, which has breathtaking views of the ocean that JFK so loved, was designed by renowned architect I.M. Pei.

Trip participants viewed a movie narrated by President Kennedy that followed him from the time he decided to enter politics through the National Convention when he ran for President. Everyone agreed that, for those who were young during the Kennedy years, it was fun to hear his famous speeches and view scenes that they remembered. By the end of the allotted time, it was clear that much more time could be spent perusing the Library's vast trove of documents and photos.

The group then visited the New England Holocaust Memorial. The outdoor Memorial is made up

of six glass towers that light up at night. Each tower is 54 feet tall and contains random, 7-digit numbers etched in the glass evoking the numbers tattooed on the arms of the concentration camp prisoners. In total, 6 million numbers represent the number of Jews exterminated in the Nazi camps. The Memorial also contains six pits, each named after a death camp. The pits are lined with black cement, contain fires, and are grated so visitors may walk over them and "feel the heat." The Memorial was built to "foster reflection on the impact of bigotry and the outcomes of evil during WWII and to this day." Everyone agreed that the experience of walking through the Memorial was very moving.

The group then had free time in Quincy Market to eat lunch, shop, and enjoy the entertainers who perform throughout the day. A few even walked down to the water for great views of the harbor.

If you are interested in joining LAC Senior College, call 753-6510, leave a message, and someone will get back to you to answer any questions you may have regarding membership.



Barbara Jabaut at the New England Holocaust Memorial

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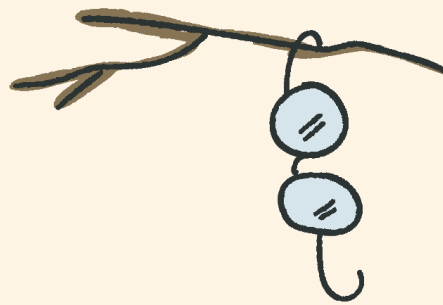
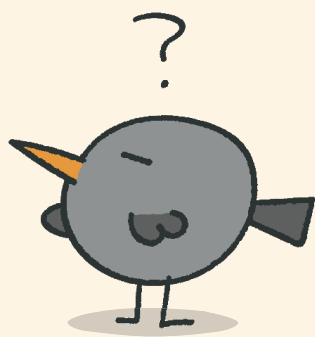
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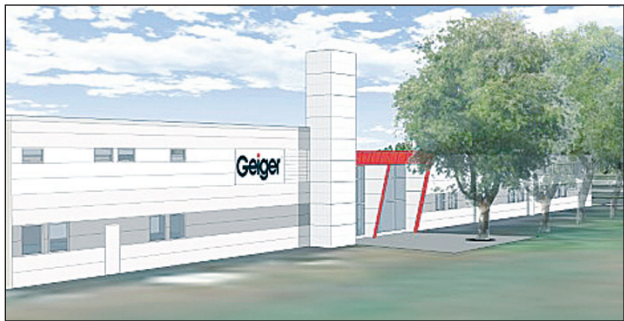
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Geiger looks to local partnerships, clean energy for upcoming expansion project



The new facility will provide enough work space to accommodate a planned 25 to 50 additional employees over the next three to five years.



An array of 620 ground-mounted solar panels will eliminate more than 8 million pounds of carbon pollution over its projected 40-year lifespan.

The Geiger company has announced that it is re-making its former manufacturing facility into a state-of-the-art management and distribution space. Including equipment, the firm will invest \$12 million on the project, which, when completed, will occupy a total of 105,000 square feet. The expansion will provide enough work space to accommodate a planned 25 to 50 additional employees over the next three to five years.

Founded in 1878 in Newark, New Jersey, this five-generation family business relocated to Maine in 1955. Today, it employs roughly 700 across the country, 225 of whom work

at its home base in Lewiston. Recognized four times by three groups over the last 18 months as a “Best Places to Work” employer, the firm could support its national sales force from any location in the U.S., but credits its growth and prosperity to its Associates Team, most of whom reside in metro-area Lewiston-Auburn. The company prides itself on “giving back” to the community from which it derives its strengths.

To the greatest extent possible, the company has committed to working with local partners on the project. Harriman of Auburn is the project architect and Hebert Construction will oversee the work. The

firm’s primary computer system is moving to Oxford Networks, and a significant portion of project funding will come from Androscoggin Bank and Mechanics Bank, who will work with Key Bank. \$6.2 million will be spent with local suppliers and sub-contractors, who will employ over 100 tradesmen and design professionals on the project.

True to its roots as publisher of “Farmers’ Almanac,” the firm is making a strong commitment to sustainability. Visible from the Maine Turnpike just south of Exit 80, the renewed facility will be LEED-certified at the Gold level and will qualify as a Maine Advanced Building. It will also make a major investment in clean, renewable solar energy. ReVision Energy of Portland will install one of the larger private solar arrays in the state, consisting of 620 ground-mounted panels, which will eliminate more than 8 million pounds of carbon pollution over its projected 40-year lifespan. The system will provide as much as 90% of the energy needs of the new offices.

Lewiston Mayor Bob Macdonald, Lewiston-Auburn Economic Growth Council VP Stephanie Lewis, and LA Metro Chamber President Matt Leonard each offered comments to the elected officials, representatives of Congressman Poliquin and Senators Collins and King, the press, and employees who were in attendance for the announcement.

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Curator offers special exhibit tour tonight at Museum L-A

Jacqueline Field, guest curator of Museum L-A's current exhibition "Covering the Nation: The Art of the Bates Bedspread," will lead an intimate tour and discussion of the exhibition on Thursday, October 13,

from 6 to 7:30 p.m. There is no fee to attend, but space is limited to 20 participants and reservations are required.

This insider's view will provide participants with an opportunity to learn about

the curator's choices for the exhibit, find out how the exhibit was planned, and discuss and ask questions about woven and printed bedspreads.

"We'll delve into the world of design and designers and discuss the design-weaving relationship," said Field. She also plans to address topics including Bates inventions and innovation; the evolution of design and production techniques, looms, screen-printing, dyes and color; and why some colors are so much brighter than others.

"Last Gas" opens Friday at Public Theatre



This funny, thoughtful comedy reminding us that big things other than moose can sometimes wander into our paths and change our lives opens Friday, October 14 at the Public Theatre in Lewiston. Shows run through October 23. Playwright John Cariani and the cast will take part in special post-show discussion following the Sunday, October 16 performance. For show times and ticket information, call 782-3200 or see thepublictheatre.org.

Maine State Museum hosts Earth Science Day

Organized in thematic groups such as "Flora and Fauna" and "Children," the exhibit features over thirty never-before-exhibited examples of world famous Bates bedspreads from the Museum's impressive but little recognized collection. With their astonishing variety of weaves and designs, the colorful array showcases a history created by teams of accomplished Bates & Co. artists and designers while illustrating the mechanical virtuosity of Bates weavers.

Field, a textile and dress historian, studied textiles in her home country of Scotland. After experience in the textile industry, she pursued an academic career and has worked as a Costume Curator. She co-authored the book "American

Scientists, artists, educators, and industry professionals from around Maine will gather at the Maine State Museum on Tuesday, October 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the annual Maine Earth Science Day. Curious students and visitors of all ages will find much to investigate in this museum-wide celebration of earth sciences. Admission to the museum will be free of charge all day.

The exhibits and hands-on activities will cover a wide variety of Earth's resources and treasures. Topics for exploration will include minerals and gems, hydrology, meteorology, and more. Exhibitors will come from across the state for the event. In addition to the Maine

State Museum, they include the U.S. Geological Survey, Maine Geological Survey, Maine Geographic Alliance, Maine State Library, Maine Energy Education Program, NOAA/National Weather Service, Kennebec Rocks and Minerals Club, Department of Environmental Protection, Maine Gold Prospectors, USDA Soil Science Division, Maine Forest Service, and Mount Washington Observatory.

"Over 1,000 students, teachers, and chaperones from across the state are already signed up to attend," said Joanna Torow, the museum's chief educator. "Scientists, industry representatives, collectors, weather forecasting professionals, and educators will be here to encourage responsible stewardship of the Earth and to show the many ways that earth science affects every aspect of our lives."

Teachers or parents bringing groups of students are urged to make reservations by completing a reservation form on the museum's website. The Maine State Museum is located at 230 State Street in Augusta, adjacent to the Maine State House. For more information, call 287-2301 or see www.maine-statemuseum.org.

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Don Campbell concert to benefit Community Concepts



The nationally acclaimed singer-songwriter and his band will perform "An Evening of Dan Fogelberg Music."

Nationally acclaimed singer-songwriter Don Campbell and his band will perform "An Evening of Dan Fogelberg Music" on Friday, October 21 at 8 p.m. at the new Agora Grand Event Center in Lewiston. Proceeds will benefit the programs of Community Concepts.

Dan Fogelberg, who passed away in 2007 after a three-year battle with pros-

tate cancer, was a multi-platinum-selling recording artist whose hits included "Longer," "Leader of the Band," and "Same Old Lang Syne." He was a huge influence and musical hero of Don Campbell, who, as a tribute to Fogelberg, has created a 23-song double CD entitled, "Kites to Fly: Celebrating the Music of Dan Fogelberg." At the event, Campbell will perform songs from

the album, which includes many of Fogelberg's hits, as well as favorites from across his own career.

A former Catholic church, the Agora Grand Event Center has been masterfully restored as a beautiful event venue. Community Concepts is a non-profit agency which provides free programs and services to help residents of Androscoggin, Oxford and Franklin Counties move out of poverty and become more self-sufficient.

Doors for the event will open at 7:15 p.m. There will be a cash bar. A VIP package option, including a five-course wine dinner from 5 to 7:15 p.m. and premium seating for the concert, will be available. Tickets are \$25 per person for the concert and \$75 per person for the VIP package.

The Agora Grand Event Center is located at 220 Bates Street in Lewiston. For more information or to buy tickets, call Candace Sanborn of Community Concepts at 333-6452 or see www.community-concepts.org.

APL to host "Zany, Majestic Bard"

Auburn Public Library is partnering with the Maine Humanities Council to host a theatrical performance and program celebrating William Shakespeare's inventive language on the 400th anniversary of his death. The program, "Zany, Majestic Bard," is led by theater artist David Greenham and includes singing, acting and learning activities aimed at making the works of Shakespeare more accessible and inspirational to all audiences.

The program will take place at Auburn Public Library on Friday, October 21 at 10 a.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call 333-6640 or see www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.

David Greenham spent 14 years as the Producing Artistic Director of The Theater at Monmouth, The Shakespearean



Presented by David Greenham, the program seeks to make Shakespeare's inventive language more accessible and inspirational to all audiences.

Theater of Maine. He is an adjunct professor of Drama at the University of Maine at Augusta, works as a grant writer and Program Man-

ager for the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine, and is a consultant for non-profit organizations around the state.

Twin City Nights

Lost Valley's new Mountain of Terror opens Friday

Are you a Halloween fright seeker looking to have the living daylight's scared out of you? If so, Scott and April Shanaman, the new owners of Lost Valley in Auburn, have the event for you! They've transformed the lodge basement at Lost Valley into a pro-level haunted attraction for the month of October. Dubbed "The Dark Cellar," the attraction is part of Lost Valley's new Mountain of Terror, which opens Friday, October 14, at 6 p.m.

"The basement of the lodge seemed like the perfect place to create this," said Shanaman. "We're protected from the weather, and its already dark and spooky down there when the lights are out." Organizers have been tight lipped about the exact nature of the scare, but they hint that the main theme is not from our planet.

In addition to the haunted basement, fright seekers may ride the Gravitron or take a seat on the "Chair Lift to the Unknown," a lift-served attraction that brings guests to another eerily-themed area, a pay-to-play zombie paintball gallery sited at the top of the mountain. For younger Halloween thrill seekers and families, the upstairs of the lodge will be a "Family Fright Zone" featuring games, photo props, kid-friendly



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scary scenes and an indoor train ride.

Also, Lost Valley has partnered with nearby Wallingford's "Nightmare on the Ridge" to offer a combo pass to both locations for an entire evening of terror-filled fun. Combo pass buyers will get a wagon ride to either location from the top of

Lost Valley to Wallingford Orchard or vice versa.

The Mountain of Terror is open rain or shine every Friday and Saturday from 6 to 11 p.m. starting October 14. Lost Valley is located at 200 Lost Valley Road in Auburn. For more information, call 784-1561 or see LostValleySki.com.

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Historian to discuss “French-Canadian Immigration to New England”

The Maine Franco-American Genealogical Society will host historian and author Leslie Choquette as the speaker at its Fall Meeting on Saturday, October 15 at 10 a.m. in the Androscoggin Community Room at Auburn Public Library.

Following a business meeting and election of officers at 10:00, Choquette’s

presentation, which is free and open to the public, will begin around 11:00. In “French-Canadian Immigration to New England in the 19th and 20th Centuries,” she will provide an overview of the movements of the nearly one million French Canadians who settled in New England between 1830 and 1930, set within the broader context

of historic French-Canadian migration patterns.

Choquette is professor of history, French Studies, and director of the French Institute at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass. Along with numerous journal articles, she is the author of “Frenchmen into Peasants: Modernity and Tradition in the Peopling of French Canada” (Harvard

University Press, 1997), which won the French Colonial Historical Society’s Alfred Heggoy Book Prize in 1998 and was selected as one of the nine best American-authored books on Canada by the International Journal of Canadian Studies in 2005. The book was translated into French by Les Éditions du Septentrion and Presses de l’Université de Paris-Sorbonne in 2001.

Professor Choquette received the Prix du Québec from the Government of Québec for an outstanding contribution to the field of Québec Studies in 2012 and the Paul Ziegler Presidential Award for Excellence in



Prof. Leslie Choquette is the director of the French Institute at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass., and a member of the American-French Genealogical Society’s French-Canadian Hall of Fame.

Scholarship at Assumption College in 2010. She was

recently inducted into the American-French Genealogical Society’s French-Canadian Hall of Fame.

The Maine Franco-American Genealogical Society is a non-profit volunteer society dedicated to the collection and preservation of Franco-American genealogical materials and to helping its members and the general public in their research. Its library, located on the second floor at 217 Turner Street in Auburn, houses one of the largest collections of French-Canadian genealogical material in Maine. For more information, see www.simplesite.com/MFGSWebsite.

Maine Music Society announces 2016-17 season



The MMS Chorale will be featured in concerts in December and March.

Chosen for the power of their music, concerts in the Maine Music Society’s upcoming 2016-17 season will provide an excellent musical experience while appealing to a variety of musical tastes. All events will take place at the Gendron Franco Center in Lewiston.

The Battle of the Blends concert on November 5 will feature six a cappella groups from around New England performing a variety of vocal music, ranging from classics to modern jazz and pop.

On December 11 and 12, the MMS Chorale will present “A Heritage Christmas,” featuring favorite American holiday songs such as “White Christmas.” Be alert also for a few different twists, with songs like “The Twelve Days After Christmas” sure to tickle the funny bone.

Looking into 2017,

the MMS Chorale and Orchestra will perform the elegant Mass in B Minor by Johann Sebastian Bach on March 25 and 26. Composed in the 18th century, it is widely hailed as one of the greatest compositions of all time.

MMS will wrap up its season on May 20 and 21 with “Songs of Carole King and James Taylor.” Selections will include “How Sweet It Is to Be Loved by You” and “I Feel the Earth Move,” to name just a couple of the numerous favorites

composed by these two Kennedy Center Honors recipients.

Maine Music Society is a non-profit music-performing organization committed to bringing quality performances to the public through educational and youth-oriented activities, imaginative programming, and artistic excellence. It supports the MMS Chorale, the MMS Chamber Singers and the MMS Orchestra. For tickets, call L/A Arts at 782-7228 or see www.mainemusicsociety.org.

SEARCH is next Rotary topic



Wendy Russell

Wendy Russell, director of Catholic Charities of Maine’s SEARCH (Seek Elderly Alone, Renew Courage & Hope) program, will be the featured speaker at the next meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Club on Thursday, October

20, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Ramada Inn of Lewiston. Guests are welcome to attend.

The SEARCH program supports seniors by providing volunteer support to help them be more independent and remain in their homes as long as possible. Russell is passionate about supporting the elderly and making a difference in their lives. With a degree in Management from the University of New Hampshire, she has worked in the management/social services field for more than 30 years.

For more information about this or other Rotary programs, contact Monica Millhime at 753-9040 or monica.millhime@maine.gov.

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Thursday, October 13

Chamber Breakfast. 7 a.m. Hilton Garden Inn-Riverwatch, Auburn. This month's speaker is Gov. Paul LePage. \$20 (non-members \$30), incl. breakfast, coffee. Register at www.LAMetro-Chamber.com.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. The guest speaker is Nate Miller, Aging and Disability Resource Center Manager at SeniorsPlus. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Sampson AFB Veterans Meeting. Noon. Rolandeau's, 715 Washington St., Auburn. The guest speaker will be Mr. Robert Fuller, who will speak on some aspect of an earlier war; open to all veterans and their guests. 784-5691; 657-4909.

"Intro to Self-Employment." 1 to 3 p.m. Career-Center, 5 Mollison Way, Lewiston. Pres. by New Ventures Maine. Free. Register at 557-1885. newventuresmaine.org.

Ribbon Cutting Event. 4 p.m. Revelation Massage, 577 Main St., Lewiston. Come see the new location's special features, including full-spectrum infrared saunas and the only flotation pods north of Portland. Refreshments. 783-0890.

Curator Tour. 6 to 7:30 p.m. Museum L-A, 35 Canal St., Lewiston. Jacqueline Field, guest curator of "The Art of the Bates Bedspread," leads a tour and discussion of the exhibit. Free, but space limited; reservations required. 333-3881.

"Art of Cartooning." 6:30 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Cartoonist Mike Jordan of Big Red "A" Press leads attendees in creating a three panel strip by committee. 333-6640.

Friday, October 14

Food for Thought Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. Room 170, Lewiston-Auburn College. Retired Lewiston H.S. teacher Joan Macri discusses being one of 87 volunteers from across the country selected in 2015 to decorate the White House for Christmas. \$7/8, incl. lunch. For adv. price, register at 753-6510 by noon on 10/12.

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to 11 p.m. Lost Valley, 200 Lost Valley Rd., Auburn. Explore the "Dark Cellar" and "Chair Lift to the Unknown" - if you dare! - or stay with the kids in the "Family Fright Zone." Fri. & Sat. through 10/29. 784-1561; LostValleySki.com.

Film Screening. 7 p.m. Klahr Center, UMA campus, 46 University Dr., Augusta. The 2016 Pride Film Festival continues with the Indian-Canadian romantic drama "Fire" (1996). A facilitated discussion follows. Refreshments. Free. 621-3530; www.hhrmaine.org/pridefilms2016.

Opening Night: "Last Gas." 7:30 p.m. Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. In John Cariani's new play, the proprietor of a small, family-run convenience store in Aroostook County gets an unexpected last shot at his dreams. Again 10/15-16, 20-23 (Suns. at 2 p.m.) \$20 (\$5 ages 18-). 782-3200; thepublictheatre.org.

Saturday, October 15

Fall French Toast & Pancake Breakfast. 6:30 to 10 a.m. Fire Station, Rte. 106, Leeds. Pancakes, French toast, eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, ham, homemade donuts, coffee and juice. Proceeds will help upgrade pumper truck. \$6 (kids \$4).

Women's Spirituality Workshop. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. Ordained Interfaith Minister D'Vorah Kelley presents "Exploring your Personal Tree of Life at Midlife and Beyond." \$45. 783-0461; akinneyuu@twc.com.

History Program. c. 11 a.m. Andro. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. Following a general meeting of the ME Franco-Amer. Genealogical Soc., Prof. Leslie Choquette will discuss "French-Canadian Immigration to New England in the 19th and 20th Centuries." Free.

Public Square Rosary Rally. Noon. Holy Cross

Church, 1080 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Join one of the 1,500 rallies taking place nationwide to pray for the conversion of the U.S. and to offer reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Public Supper & Music Jam. 5 p.m. Litchfield Sportsmen's Club, Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Doors at 4:30, dinner 5 to 6:30, music jam 6:30 to 8:30. Baked beans, hot dogs, casseroles, desserts. \$7. 268-9271.

Full Moon Fling. 6 p.m. Norlands Living History Center, 290 Norlands Rd., Livermore. An improve comedy show with Teachers' Lounge Mafia at 6 p.m. is followed by a barn dance with live music by the Racket Factory at 7:30; refreshments, raffles. Adults \$15, kids 12-free. 897-4366; www.norlands.org.

UMaine Lady Black Bears Hockey. 7 p.m. Norway Savings Bank Arena, Auburn. The Lady Black Bears face off against NCHA Division I foes Boston College. \$7. 333-6688; www.norwaysavingsbankarena.com.

Annual Gala & Benefit Concert. 7:30 p.m. Gendron Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Popular local singers and CLT cast members perform "Songs of the Silver Screen." Tix for concert only at door; adv. tix, incl. pre- and post-show parties, \$50. 783-1585; www.francocenter.org.

Sunday, October 16

Blessing of the Animals. 10 a.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. Companion animals should be comfortable in crowds, vaccinated, and secured on a leash or in a carrier. Pls. arrive a bit early. 783-0461; www.auburnnu.org.

Country Sunday Noon to 4:30 p.m. Litchfield Sportsmen's Club, Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Country Fest Maine presents the Appreciation Band, Cameron Thayer, Jocelyn Begin, Barbara Hartford, Arlette Richard, and Jeff Hamm; door prizes, 50/50

raffle, concessions. \$5 (kids ages 12- free). 536-9647.

"Little Heart Hero Day." 1 to 3 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. This American Heart Assoc. event is an afternoon of fun and networking for children with congenital heart defects and their families. 289-2387.

Concert: Fendrick and Peck. 3 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Community Church, 69 Winthrop St., Augusta. This folk duo presents a musical concert fit for the entire family. Free. www.fendrickandpeck.com.

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.

County GOP Comm. Meeting. 7 p.m. GOP Headquarters, 120 Center St., Auburn. Come out, meet the candidates, pick up signs, and volunteer. All members and interested, registered Republicans are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Tuesday, October 18

CMRHA Program. 7:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Carriage House, 1119 Lisbon St., Lewiston. CMHRA hosts a panel to discuss the ins and outs of employee health screenings. Register at <http://cmhra.shrm.org/events>.

Earth Science Day. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Maine State Museum, 230 State St., Augusta. In this museum-wide event, exhibitors from across the state demonstrate how earth sciences affect every part of our lives. Free. 287-2301; www.mainestatmuseum.org.

"Budgeting Basics" Workshop. 10 a.m. to noon. MSAD 52 Adult Ed, 486 Turner Street, Turner. Pres. by New Ventures Maine. Free. Register at 753-6531. newventuresmaine.org.

Wednesday, October 19

Open House. 5 to 7 p.m. Maine College of Health Professions, 70 Middle St., Lewiston. Take a tour, see demos, and learn more about programs, admission, and financial aid. Refreshments. 795-2840; www.mchp.edu.

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Membership Meeting. 6 p.m. Parish Hall, Holy Family Church, Sabattus St., Lewiston. The Ladies of St. Anne host a brief business meeting, followed by games of Halloween Bingo. Admission is a bag of wrapped Halloween candy.

"Intro to Self-Employment." 6 to 8 p.m. RSU 73 Spruce Mountain Adult Ed, 9 Cedar St., Livermore Falls. Pres. by New Ventures Maine. Free. Register at 557-1885. newventuresmaine.org.

Thursday, October 20

Mind Your Business Workshop. 8 to 9:30 a.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. U.S. Small Business Admin. Economic Development Specialist Bill Card discusses "Marketing - Hitting the Bullseye." \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Program director Wendy Russell discusses Catholic Charities of Maine's SEARCH (Seek Elderly Alone, Renew Courage & Hope) initiative. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Great Falls Forum. Noon to 1 p.m. Callahan Hall, Lewiston Public Library. Bates College Philosophy professor David Cumiskey explores the medical,

ethical, and existential aspects of slowing down the aging process in "Understanding the End of Aging." Free. Bring bag lunch. 513-3135; LPLReference@Gmail.com.

HR Thursdays Workshop. Noon to 2 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Pamela Megathlin of the Maine Dept. of Labor presents "Federal Overtime Rule Changes as they Apply to Maine Employers." \$50 (Chamber members: \$25; Central ME Human Resource Assoc. members: free). 783-2249. Register at www.LAMetro-Chamber.com.

College Night. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Androscoggin Room, Auburn Public Library. This program for teens and their parents features a panel discussion, followed by a College Fair w/. reps from over two dozen area colleges. Free. Register at 333-6640, ext. 4 or www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.

History Program. 7 p.m. Freeport Public Library, 10 Library Dr., Freeport. Learn about ongoing archaeological work and research related to 18th century "Scotch-Irish" settlers in the local area. 865-3307.

Theater: "Last Gas." 7:30 p.m. Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. In John Cariani's new play, the proprietor of a small, family-run convenience store in Aroostook County gets an unexpected last shot at his dreams. Again 10/21-23 (Sun. at 2 p.m.) \$20 (\$5 ages 18-). 782-3200; thepublictheatre.org.

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"We are planning other events revolving around the exhibit," said Museum L-A Project Coordinator Robert Caron. "The interest has been very high, and visitors want to learn more about all parts of the exhibit, from the designers and weaving techniques to the history and stories behind the bedspreads."

"Covering the Nation: The Art of the Bates Bedspread" runs through May 2017. Museum L-A is located at 35 Canal Street in the Bates Mill Complex in Lewiston. Please enter the parking lot from Chestnut Street. For more information or to reserve space, call them at 333-3881.

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of Skelton Taintor & Abbott. She is a 1980 graduate of Williams College, cum laude, and a 1989 Boston College Law School, magna cum laude. Her areas of practice include employment law, employment litigation, civil litigation, and employment counseling, compliance, and training. She is President of the Central Maine Human Resources Association, a local branch of SHRM.

Janine Valliere has been in the human resources field for more than 20 years. She has worked in the manufacturing, engineering, healthcare and education industries. She is currently with Mercy Hospital and providing HR consulting services for a number of smaller companies within Lewiston/Auburn and the mid-coast areas.



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This award was established at the Maine Community Foundation to recognize outstanding, full-time teachers in MSAD 52 who stimulate intellectual curiosity, raise aspirations, and demand critical thinking in their classrooms. The donors' hope is to promote teacher retention by recognizing, through the award and its attendant recognition, an educator who exemplifies excellence in teaching.

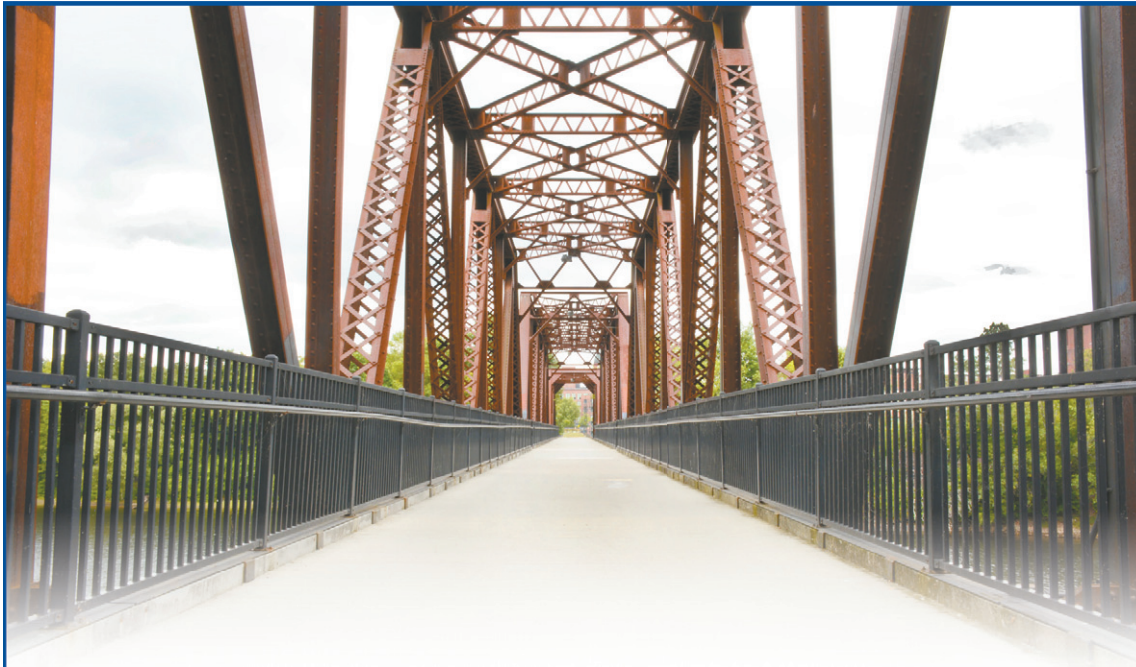
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Leavitt Area High School Latin teacher Richard Lent was awarded the prize in 2011. He was nominated by students, parents, and colleagues, who praised his ability to bring Latin alive to his students and inspire them to be self-motivated learners.

Nominations must be postmarked and mailed by October 21. Complete guidelines and the nomination form are available on the Maine Community Foundation website at www.mainecef.org.

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