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# Justin Lindsay & Bunk play Franco Center



Justin Lindsay is an accomplished 16-year-old guitarist who attends Scarborough High School; band mate Thom Hanes is a singer and harmonica player with over 20 years of experience performing across the South.

Justin Lindsay & Bunk will rock the Franco Center with a show on Friday, November 4 at 8:30 p.m. Lindsay is an extraordinary 16-year-old guitarist who attends Scarborough High School. He's been in the blues scene since he was 11, performing multiple times at the Maine Blues Festival in Naples and at local open mic nights. He is a member of his high school jazz band and also has an alternative rock band called "Work in Progress," which won the 2016 MAMM Slam Battle of the Bands. He has also had the honor of being part of the "Playing for Change" video, filmed at the North Atlantic Blues Festival in Rockland in 2015.

The band includes Thom Hanes on lead vocals, who is also an exceptional

**Re-Elect** 

harp player. A native of Atlanta, he played in the South for years before moving to Maine and is a member of the award-winning blues band "Poke Chop and the Other White Meats."

The doors and bar will open at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$5 at the door; parking is included in the price of the ticket. For more information, call 783-1585 or see francocenter.org.

# Soup, Chili and Chowder Challenge to benefit AHCH

Mom's Smokin' Pumpkin Soup, Roasted Butternut Squash Soup and Jen's Meaty Chili are just a few of the tasty offerings that can be sampled at the third annual Soup, Chili and Chowder Challenge to benefit patient care at Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice's Hospice House.

The event takes place from 4 to 7 p.m. at Baxter Brewing Company on Saturday, November 5. Tickets purchased in advance cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 4-12. Children under age 4 are admitted at no charge. Tickets are available at Baxter Brewing, 130 Mill Street, Lewiston; Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice, 15 Strawberry Avenue, Lewiston; and the Hospice House, 236 Stetson Road in Auburn. Tickets will also be available at the event but cost \$2 more. Each adult ticket comes with two coupons for a dollar off a pin of beer.

Those who attend will be able to sample all of the soups, chowders and chilis entered by talented cooks who are competing for prizes and bragging rights. Celebrity judges will determine the Judges' Favorite award winner, while other eventgoers will cast their votes to decide the People's Choice.

All recipes will be included in a cookbook which will be available for \$3. In addition, there will be a door prize and a 50-50 raffle. The event is organized annually by the Dream Team, one of several groups that raises money during the year and makes its final donation at AHCH's annual Hospice House 5K and Remembrance Walks. These walks will take place May 7, 2017 in Farmington and May 21, 2017 in Auburn. For more information about this event, call Kate Sicotte at 333-6300.

# Council bosts annual Veterans Ceremony at Armory

The L & A Veterans Council will present its annual Veterans Ceremony on Friday, November 11 at 10 a.m. at the Armory on Central Avenue in Lewiston. The Edward Little Marching Band will per-

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form, special guests will say a few words, and several color guards will participate in a Pass in Review, where veterans of each branch will stand and salute their military service flag as it passes by the stage. The public is

invited to thank our service men and women and veterans for their sacrifice and service by attending. For more information, call Bert Dutil at 786-2305. The L & A Veterans Council includes *See* Veterans, *page 6* 

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# Newsmakers, Names & Faces

Work-study partnership trains new CNAs



Pictured (l. to r., from front) are Cher Tara of the CareerCenter; students Casey Moore, Paula Caron, Jennifer Robichaud, Jennifer Daigneault, and Roxanne Belle; Brittany Blais of St. Mary's Health System; Nursing Unit Manager Danielle Harmon; CNA Instructor Gloria Barker; students Emily Jackson and Casey Fitzpatrick; CNA Instructors Teri Cyr and Brianna Robinson; Linda Roberts of the CareerCenter; and Jennifer Tiner of Lewiston Adult Education. (Photo by Monica Millhime)

Nine Lewiston Adult Education students recently graduated as Certified Nurses' Aides at a pinning ceremony attended by family, friends, administrators, teachers, and community partners. The students successfully completed a collaborative program of Ready2Work provided by Lewiston Adult Education and an On-the-Job Training Program through grant funding provided by Western Maine Community

Action and the Lewiston CareerCenter.

"This graduating class is not only the result of the students' dedication, but also of the best model of trainto-work in which business, education, and workforce development agencies collaborate to provide training," said WMCA-Lewiston CareerCenter Site Coordinator Patti Saarinen.

On-the-Job Training is an incentive-based program providing 50%

of a trainee's wages during the duration of the program. Students receive the skills and knowledge essential to the specific job through a combination of classroom study and workbased field training.

"Lewiston Adult Education is proud of our graduating students who completed this rigorous program, which included 100 hours of Work Ready training, 110 hours of combined CNA classroom and lab

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### Autumn Night Out raises \$70k for AHCH

Rain did not dampen the spirits or lessen the generosity of the more than 200 people who attended Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice's 13th annual Autumn Night Out at the Poland Spring Resort recently.

While the fireworks to recognize AHCH's 50th anniversary were canceled due to the heavy rain, thunder and lightning, those attending still enjoyed an evening of food, friendship and fun for a good cause. Many left with unique items that were auctioned off by Maine humorist Gary Crocker and hundreds of silent auction items were also up for bid.

More than \$70,000 was raised at the event, and thanks to the event's sponsors, all of the proceeds will be used to assist AHCH patients who do not have the ability to pay for muchneeded services.

"Our agency is grateful for the overwhelming sup-

work, and 70 hours of clinical practicum," said LAE Assistant Director Jennifer Tiner. "The partnership on this program between Lewiston Adult Education, WMCA, the Career Center, and St. Mary's Health System is an example of the success that can be achieved through the integration of education and training."

For more information on work-driven educational training opportunities and partnerships, contact the nearest CareerCenter, call 754-9040, or email monica. millhime@maine.gov.



LiSha Powell, with Tri-Town Optimist Club President Jeff Gagnon

The Mechanic Falls, Minot and Poland Tri-Town Optimist Club has named Poland Community School sixth grader LiSha Powell its RSU 16 Student of the Month for October. Powell is described by her teacher as a positive classroom role model who leads by example and consistently goes above and beyond in all she does.





More than 200 people attended the event, including (l. to r.) Mike Nadeau, Hillary Dinwiddie, Sean Nadeau, Michelle Nadeau and Annette Nadeau. (Photo by Doug and Gini Haines Photography)

port we continue to receive from both individuals and businesses," said Kenneth Albert, President and CEO of AHCH. "What amazed me was the number of people who donated items, both large and small. The volume of support clearly shows that AHCH is seen as an important community resource and that our work does not go unnoticed. I thank all of those who helped make the event such a big success, including the sponsors, gift donors, those who bought tickets, our staff, the many volunteers and our gracious hosts."

Powell named RSU 16 Student of the Month

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# **Op-Ed by Governor Paul R. LePage** Don't be fooled: Question 2 won't improve education

#### By Paul R. LePage GOVERNOR OF MAINE

We all want the best education for our children. But to improve education, we must first learn what we are getting for the \$2 billion-plus that Mainers spend on pre-K through 12 education.

The Maine Education Association, funded by the out-of-state national teacher's union, has put a disingenuous initiative on the ballot in November. They claim it will "Stand up for Students," but in reality it will extort more taxes from Maine families and businesses without improving education at all. In fact, as Mainers have steadily increased funding of public education, our students' performance has remained flat.

We must take a hard look at academic standards and accountability within our education system. Taking more money from successful people and throwing it at education will not improve academic standards or hold underperforming teachers accountable.

Everyone supports children, and everyone supports funding for education. The MEA claims the state does not fund 55 percent of local school costs, but they distort the true picture.

With a total education budget of more than \$2 billion, it is unconscionable that teachers and students have to spend their own money to buy notebooks, pens and pencils. Question 2 will not solve that problem. This question will ensure school districts that already receive the most money from the state-wealthy places like Portland, Falmouth, Cape Elizabeth and Scarborough-will receive millions. These communities already pay teachers some of the highest salaries in the state. Meanwhile, towns like Blue Hill, Machiasport and Greenville will get nothing. Even worse, student



Governor Paul R. LePage

enrollment has decreased by 25,000 students over the past two decades, despite the fact that pre-kindergarten has been added to public school enrollment. Just in the last decade, the number of students has declined by 13 percent-but spending has increased by 18 percent. While spending continues to increase, school performance remains stagnant. Mainers deserve to know why their local school budgets are going up every year, but academic results are not getting better.

The union bosses at MEA cannot answer that question. They just want more money. They tug on parents' heartstrings and say, "It's for the children."

Question 2 asks you to add a 3 percent tax on Maine's family households and small businesses. Your favorite doctor, dentist, small restaurant or corner store would get slapped with a 10.15% income tax. They would get punished with the second-highest top income tax rate in the United States. These are the Mainers who already contribute the most revenue to our economy and our tax base. Driving their income tax rate over 10 percent would drive them and their tax revenue out of the stateleaving even less revenue for schools.

Question 2 would be devastating to our efforts to attract new companies to Maine and would hinder the ability of our existing businesses to hire additional

employees. In fact, small businesses will be forced to pay a higher tax rate than big corporations. Experts estimate Question 2 would cost approximately 4,000 private-sector jobs. By voting for Question 2, you could put your neighbor-or yourselfout of work.

We've worked hard to reduce the income tax, but the Maine Education Association is taking us backwards. Instead of punishing successful Mainers, they should focus to make the education system more efficient and more effective.

I invited the MEA's union boss to meet with me to discuss how we can improve education in the State of Maine, and she initially accepted my invitation. Then she canceled, saying she was too busy engaging in politics; she suggested we could talk later-after the election. Supporting professional development and investing in our teachers should be a priority, but the MEA would rather play politics than work to benefit our students and teachers.

The MEA should be considering how to combine school districts or share services. Instead of paying for a top-heavy system of administrators, they should be raising pay for our teachers and putting more money into the classroom.

Don't be fooled, folks. The Maine Education Association has no desire to reform education. They don't want better academic results, and they certainly don't care about lowering costs for taxpayers. Their sole purpose is to confiscate union dues from teachers' paychecks to bankroll political campaigns and send more socialists to Augusta.

So remember, when MEA says they want to tax you more, it's not for the children—it's for the union bosses.

# **Op-Ed by Governor Paul R. LePage** Raising the minimum wage will hurt 325,000 Mainers

#### By Paul R. LePage GOVERNOR OF MAINE

Make no mistake: if you vote on Question 4 to raise the minimum wage, you will be hurting your grandparents and your elderly neighbors.

The socialists at Maine People's Alliance are pushing hard to arbitrarily increase the minimum wage, claiming it will improve the lives of workers. They don't tell you it will harm our most vulnerable residents: the elderly and those on fixed incomes

Raising the minimum wage so quickly will put immediate upward pressure on labor costs for businesses. To cover these dramatic new labor costs, your favorite restaurant, coffee shop and

Prices on everything, ranging from milk, bread and eggs to fixing your toilet, repairing your roof and snowplowing your driveway, will increase. Despite the rising prices for all goods and services, your grandparents and your elderly neighbors will not get an increase in their fixed incomes.

The average cost-ofliving increase in Social Security will be four dollars a month. But the Maine People's Alliance wants to increase the minimum wage by four dollars an hour.

Mike Tipping and Ben Chin, the highly paid leaders of the Maine People's Alliance, are trying to enact income redistribution through the ballot box. They do not care what kind of damage it does to the local economy, and they certainly do not care that steep

price increases will drive the 325,000 Mainers who live on Social Security deeper into poverty.

Tipping and Chin operate in the liberal urban enclaves of our state. They don't know what it's like to struggle in Machias or East Millinocket or Fort Kent. They don't know what it's like to live on a four-dollara-month increase.

Furthermore, a dramatic hike in the minimum wage is not needed.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, approximately 14,500 Mainers earned minimum wage in 2015. Of those, about half worked in food service. With the Maine labor market tightening, wages have been rising and

# Legalization of marijuana will make Maine less safe

**Op-Ed** by the Commissioner of Public Safety

#### **By John E. Morris** COMMISSIONER

I've spent my entire 50-year career in public safety and the military trying to protect and keep people safe. Some of the most challenging things I have dealt with were not actions of individuals, but the consequences of political decisions.

With Question 1, the ballot initiative to legalize recreational marijuana, you get to be the decision maker-you get to decide whether this law goes into effect. If it does, I can assure you the unintended consequences will be many. Please read the 30-plus pages of Question 1; you will quickly see what I'm talking about.

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the number of low-wage workers has been declining. See Wages, page 4

ing the Vietnam War, I saw young men devolve into addiction-first with

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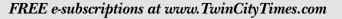
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# **Only Steps Forward** Referendum questions could significantly impact job growth

By Jonathan P. LaBonté MAYOR OF AUBURN

On Tuesday, November 8, voters in Maine—and here in Auburn-have the potential to significantly influence the ability of our community to support job retention and job growth in local businesses, as well as sustain services based on growing property tax revenue tied to private sector growth.

That's because, in addition to the state legislative races on the ballot, there are a handful of referendum questions allowing you to play legislator.

While the sound bites in radio and TV ads might not give you all the facts, I wanted to offer some information for what could happen locally.

Question 1 asks voters to legalize marijuana for recreational use. The pitch

is that we should regulate it just like alcohol, take the windfall from tax revenue and divert law enforcement attention elsewhere. While the country may be moving in the direction of legalizing marijuana, it is still an illegal drug under federal law.

In Maine, it was decriminalized decades ago and possession is just a criminal offense. Police are already focusing on more pressing law enforcement matters like the opioid drug epidemic.

Of particular concern for me, however, is its impact on local businesses that have a desire to be drug-free workplaces-this law as drafted does not provide them that protection. Unlike alcohol, there are no definitive testing methods to determine if someone is under the influence. In addition, businesses with



Mayor Jonathan P. LaBonté

fewer than 50 employees are prohibited in state law from random drug testing to ensure they remain a drugfree workplace.

That's a flaw in this referendum that warrants a "no" vote from where I sit, which is to protect our employers and their workplaces first and foremost.

Question 2 seeks to increase Maine's top marginal tax rate to the second highest in the country with a proposal that the new tax revenue go to Maine's public schools. In school year 2006-07, Auburn had just under 3,500 students enrolled, but spent over \$32 million. With enrollment relatively flat, this year's expenditures will exceed \$40 million. Throughout the state during that same period, there was a decline of about 20,000 students, but spending statewide has increased over a quarter of a billion dollars.

Having spoken with businesses, ranging from small business owners to manufacturers based here, Maine's high-tax environment makes it a constant challenge not only to profit in Maine, but also to generate enough income after taxes to reinvest so you can grow your business. Targeting successful Maine residents and business owners is not how we keep turning our community or the state around. Declining student enrollments and significant increases in spending tells me we need our legislators to get to work on educational reforms before penalizing citizen in their paychecks.

Question 3, regarding expanding background checks, casts such a wide net on documenting guns

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In fact, during the past four years the overall number of people making the minimum wage has fallen by almost 6,000. When 2016 figures are available, we expect to see the number of low-wage earners continue to decline.

In addition, many of those working in food service get tips. But Tipping and Chin's plan will devastate the restaurant industry. They will get rid of the tip credit and essentially eliminate tipping.

Not only will menu prices increase dramatically to cover the new labor costs, but restaurant workers who now make \$20 to \$30 an hour will get \$12 an hour with no tips.

With an employee shortage across the state, most places are already paying more than the minimum wage to attract in Maine that something as simple as lending your gun to a friend for a weekend hunting trip would be illegal if you didn't conduct background checks first. Auburn still has its rural roots, and I know many enjoy hunting throughout our region of western Maine. I'm not so sure that requiring friends who lend a hunting rifle to each other to get background checks before they borrow it, then again when they bring it back, is common-sense gun control.

Question 4 will ask you if you want to raise the minimum wage by 60%. While there are many arguments to be made to increase the minimum wage in small increments over time, this level of increase this quickly will have a significant negative ripple effect.

One local example is the impact this muchhigher minimum wage will

workers. The minimum wage is really a starter wage for entry-level or unskilled workers. It is also used to pay the mentally or physically disabled, who cannot work at 100% capacity and otherwise would not get a job.

Raising the minimum wage to \$12 will eliminate jobs for teens and other low-skilled workers. No business owner wants to pay \$12 an hour for an unskilled teen in an entry-level job or a mentally disabled Mainer who cannot work at full capacity. On the other hand, Maine people are generous and will help where they can.

Finally, the proposal by the Maine People's Alliance mandates that the minimum wage go up every year. During a downturn in the economy, businesses will still be forced to pay higher and higher wages.

So don't be fooled by Tipping and Chin's agenda. have on the availability of entry-level jobs for our young people. As we seek to break down generational poverty in Auburn, having high school students gain work experience and the skills to become productive in our community is essential. Fewer jobs because of this sharp increase in labor costs means it will be that much more difficult to prepare our young people for the workforce.

Question 5 is ranked choice voting, where if your candidate loses, your vote is then given to another candidate. Besides the constitutional questions raised by the Attorney General that mean this law most likely can't be implemented, my view is pretty simple: one person, one vote. If you're a candidate who can't get a plurality, it shouldn't mean you get another bite at the apple.

This is not about economics; it is about a socialist ideology-the kind that has failed in Greece and similar countries

Well-paid, non-profit employees like Tipping and Chin do not understand simple economics-and they don't care. They don't care about raising prices on your grandparents or elderly neighbors. They don't care whether your teen can't get a job or mentally disabled people lose their jobs.

They don't care that a single mother who works as a waitress will see her pay plummet from more than \$20 an hour to \$12. They only care about tricking Mainers into voting for their socialist agenda at the ballot box, all the while using out-of-state money to do so.

Before you cast your vote, please educate yourself on the Maine People's Alliance and their anti-elderly, anti-job proposal.



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# Enough is Enough Candidate questions, ballot questions and General Assistance costs

By Robert E. Macdonald Mayor of Lewiston

In a recent Second District Congressional race debate, Pat Callaghan, TV news anchor and debate inquisitor, asked U.S. Rep. Bruce Poliquin if he supported Republican Presidential nominee Donald Trump. Poliquin correctly refused to answer.

His opponent, perennial Democratic Congressional candidate Emily Cain, her voice rising to a "gotcha" euphoria usually heard from children, triumphantly shouted out that Poliquin was avoiding the question. Callahan tried to get Poliquin to answer before finally going on to another question.

The debate was held so that voters would hear candidates discuss the issues affecting the district—not to create a secondary debate about presidential candidates. Maine Senator Susan Collins was asked if she supported Donald Trump. Her answer, on slow news days, repeatedly becomes a lead story.

This is a Catch-22 question. No matter how it is answered, it will jump to the forefront taking time away from the serious questions plaguing our district. But if the Maine media insists that support of the party's presidential candidate is a headline story, it's time to start posing questions to Cain.

How does Cain feel about Clinton's staff characterizations of Catholics and evangelicals? Wall Street cash? After all, Clinton is the Pied Piper of Wall Street cash.

Cain also made a statement that confused me. She thinks the federal government should legalize marijuana. I thought Cain was truly concerned about people's health. Smoking is harmful, drinking alcohol is harmful, obesity is a rising health crisis—yet Cain thinks marijuana is okay. Apparently, unlike other drugs, this one is okay.



Mayor Bob Macdonald

Question: is she really concerned about health or politically pandering?

If you ever wonder how the State of Maine ends up with so many questionable legislators, the answer is simple. Far too many qualified individuals from both political parties shun political office to avoid having their reputations sullied by people who have no reputation to lose.

This week two nasty Democratic senators, trustfunder Justin Alfond and John Patrick of Rumford, found themselves with egg on their face. They brought an ethics complaint against Republican Senator Ron Collins, accusing him of misusing state money for lodging. Alfond and Patrick decided to roll this out several days before the upcoming election. Then Collins was cleared of any wrongdoing.

Senator Alfond is thankfully termed out. Hopefully, Rumford voters will term Senator Patrick out.

This week the Lewiston City Council is being asked to appropriate \$87,134 to hire two badly needed additional staff positions at our General Assistance Office. Upon a recent visit, it became crystal clear that the influx of asylum seekers, which the federal government refuses to address, was stressing out the staff. This overwhelming workload is slowing down to a crawl our state reimbursements.

Some people think

this additional revenue will benefit the asylum seekers. Wrong! This money will be spent whether we hire or not. These hirings will offset the costs of \$50 per hour for interpreters and \$1.19 per minute for calls on the language line. These expenses are costs the city has to absorb.

You may hear elected Democrats telling you (especially those who voted for the bill) that the law calls for a 70% reimbursement to cities and towns. This is somewhat correct. Cities and towns do not get reimbursed for translation expenses. That is borne by the locally strapped taxpayer. Come to think of it, why did the Maine State Legislature feel it was okay to force unnecessary expenses on state taxpayers?

In order to refresh Lewiston voters' memories, Senators Nate Libby and Michel Lajoie voted against the bill. Representatives Peggy Rotundo, Heidi Brooks and Jared Golden cast votes for it.

On Election Day on Question 1, you must decide if you really want to keep children safe or expose them to great peril by approving marijuana use. On Question 2, would you really be happy if you were singled out to pay a 10.15% income tax just because you were successful?

On Question 3, tell liberal billionaire Michael Bloomberg and his elitist friends to get their houses in order before telling us how we should run ours. On Question 4, please listen to Governor LePage; his horse in this race is the prosperity of all Mainers.

Lastly, if the day comes that ranked choice voting passes, our citizens will lose their freedom to out-ofstate wealthy elitists.

Last November, the voters of Lewiston sent a mayoral candidate heavily favored and supported by big, out-of-state liberal money elitists to take a hike. Now it's your turn.

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young people let their ambitions wallow in a haze of marijuana smoke. As Commissioner of Public Safety, which includes Maine State Police, Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and Maine Fire Marshal, I read reports almost daily about marijuana-related incidents, crashes and crimes.

Among all the false claims being made by the pro-legalization campaign, one stands out as demanding correction from a law enforcement perspective. Legalization advocates have said police officers need to spend less time going after marijuana users and more time arresting serious criminals. Let's be clear: marijuana is already decriminalized in Maine. Offenders receive a citation; they are not arrested for simple possession, and marijuana ossession is very low or police officers' priorities. I can assure you, the Maine State Police and local law enforcement agencies are already focused on the bigger fish—heroin, cocaine and crack dealers, violent criminals and violent crime. Any assertion that officers are spending inordinate time going after marijuana possessors is an attempt to mislead the public. It just doesn't happen.

I recently met with law enforcement and community leaders from three states that have legalized marijuana. What we're seeing in states like Colorado that have legalized marijuana for recreational use and retail sale does not bode well for Maine's prospects should Question 1 pass.

From 2014 to 2015, as legalized marijuana took effect, Colorado saw a 6.2 percent increase in property crime and a 6.7 percent increase in violent crime. Since 2013, the state saw a 62 percent increase in the number of marijuana-related traffic deaths and similar increases in the number of drivers testing positive for marijuana use.

Law enforcement in Maine is not prepared for this influx of marijuana-related traffic crashes. While Maine law enforcement officers receive extensive training on alcohol impaired driving, less than 10 percent have been trained to detect marijuana-impaired drivers. Supporters tout the supposed economic benefits, but 68 percent of Colorado municipalities have passed ordinances banning marijuana businesses from their jurisdictions. Local communities have overwhelmingly decided that the societal downsides far outweigh any economic benefits.

Legalized marijuana attracts the wrong elements, too. Public consumption of drugs complaints have increased by 79 percent statewide. This tells us people are already fed up with public displays of drug use. Maine needs to attract young families; this is not the kind of environment those families want to provide for their children.

Additionally, marijuana legalization hits kids especially hard. Accidental marijuana ingestion by Colorado children under age 12 has increased by 50 percent. Colorado saw a 32 percent increase in drug-related school suspensions and expulsions, and 89 percent of school resource officers have experienced an increase in student marijuana-related incidents. Colorado now ranks third in the nation for marijuana use among 12- to 17-year-olds-56 percent higher than the national

average. To make matters worse, the proposed Question 1 repeals the law prohibiting minor possession of marijuana by anyone in the state, including teenagers and younger, and does not require the vendor training that's already required for the sale of alcohol and tobacco in Maine, but not marijuana.

Colorado's emergency health care resources have also been stretched. Consumption by children or inexperienced users, especially when accidental or by highly concentrated edible products, has driven a 57 percent increase in emergency room visits, an 82 percent increase in hospitalization, and a 70 percent increase in calls to poison control hotlines.

My role is not to tell Mainers how to vote. But it is important that those with experience in public safety educate the public about what the aftermath of marijuana legalization would look like. Beware of one-sided portrayals of tax revenue, "marijuana tourism" and fewer burdens on law enforcement. If pot is legalized, Mainers will see more crime, more crashes, more hospital visits, more traffic deaths, more experimentation by children and even more heavily burdened health care and law enforcement systems.

John E. Morris is the Commissioner of Maine's Department of Public Safety.

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# Out & About with Rachel Morin Editorial Cartoonist George Danby at APL



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Story & Photos BY RACHEL MORIN A large audience greeted George Danby, Editorial Cartoonist for the Bangor Daily News, at the Auburn Public Li-

brary on Monday evening, October 17. Danby was the concluding speaker for APL's political cartoon series "No Laughing Matter: The Pulitzer Prize and the Art of Editorial Cartooning."





George Danby and Tizz Crowley, former Auburn City Councilor

The series, presented at the height of the Presidential campaign, was popular with the Lewiston-Auburn public as well as residents from surrounding towns. Political cartoons are everywhere and provide material for the late night talk shows as well as the morning news across the state, nation and even

# Veterans

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American Legion Post 22 of Lewiston, American Legion Post 135 of Sabattus, American Legion Post 153 of Auburn, Amvets Post 6 and Auxiliary of New Gloucester, VFW Post 1603 of Auburn, VFW Post 9150 of Lewiston, Franco American Post 31 of Lewiston, DAY Chapter 11, the Marine Corps League of Central Maine, and the Military Order of the Purple Heart.

world-wide, especially with this different and provocative Presidential campaign. The public filled the

Androscoggin Community Room for the previous presenters as well, who were Historian Erin Bishop, former Director for Education Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum; Mike Keefe, Pulitzer Prize-winning Cartoonist; and Lewiston-born Cartoonist Mike Jordan of Big Red "A" Press, the creator of comics including "The Midnight Angels" and "Iron Ian." Many of the attendees were at every session.

So, Danby was in good hands with an attentive audience as he started his presentation by telling us that even as a youngster, he found newspapers interesting. He loved reading the news and read as many newspapers as he could. A favorite pastime was



George Danby, Bangor Daily News Editorial Cartoonist. (BDN Photo)

drawing caricatures. He enjoyed perusing the cartoons and later, he began drawing cartoons in high school. His first cartoon appeared in the Providence (Rhode Island)

Journal when he was 15 years old. He became the contributing cartoonist for The Bangor Daily News while still in school. He



George Danby Cartoon



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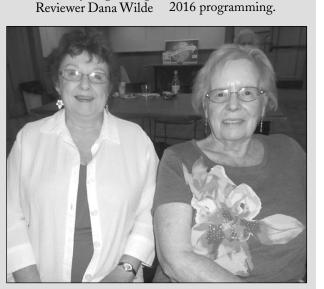
plied his craft at a very young age.

Danby became the staff editorial cartoonist at the New Haven (Connecticut) Register in 1979. He joined the Providence paper six years later as staff editorial cartoonist. He is now the Bangor Daily News' full-time editorial cartoonist since 1988.

He draws one cartoon a day, six days a week, starting early in the morning with an idea taken from one of the multiple stories gleaned from newspapers and television news he views daily. He starts with a rough sketch, and adds to it throughout the day, always watching the clock, and by day's end, the cartoon is ready, sometimes even in color, to submit for the next day's readers. His cartoons appear in print and online, six days a week, at danbyink.bangordailynews.com. Danby has generously given me permission to use the photos I took of his cartoons for my column in the Twin City Times. I asked him why his signature is not prominent on his cartoons. They are almost hidden. He said he felt he was overexposed as

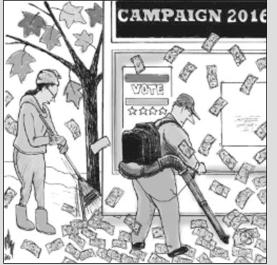
it was, and thought the artwork or the cartoon should be prominent and not his name. His cartoons have appeared in The New York Times, USA Today, Time, Downeast, Newsweek, The Washington Post, Chicago Tribune and National Review, plus numerous weekly and daily newspapers.

Danby has drawn over 25,000 cartoons, 200 of which made it into his book, "The Essential Danby" published in 2014 by Islandport Press of Yarmouth. The book is a fascinating and hilarious collection of his work in black and white illustrations from his archives celebrating over 25 years at the Bangor Daily News and other publications with an introduction by Angus King. Reviewer Dana Wilde





Wendy and Oliver Brown. Young Oliver is a cartoon enthusiast.



George Danby Cartoon

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# Bean Supper at Calvary

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at 4:45 p.m. The menu includes baked beans, hot dogs, biscuits, casseroles

(vegetarian included), salads and homemade pies. Please use the garden

entrance on Bartlett Street. The cost is \$7.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children.



RSU4 Holiday Craft Fair

The RSU 4 PTA will present its annual Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, November 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Oak Hill Middle School. Grab some friends and get your shopping done close to home with the numerous crafters and vendors selling their items at this event. Make a day of it by attending other holiday events taking place on the same day at nearby Applewald Farm, the Litchfield Sportsmen's Club, and the Litchfield Plains Baptist Church. Oak Hill Middle School is located at 40 Ball Park Road in Sabattus.

# Thanksgiving Meal 5K at Hebron Academy

A Thanksgiving Meal 5K, Kids' 1-Mile Fun Run, and four Pumpkin Roll Contests will take place on the athletic fields of Hebron Academy on Sunday, November 13. The 5k, which begins at 10 a.m., will lead walkers and runners over the school's beautiful trails as participants chase a Thanksgiving Meal through the woods. Prizes will be awarded to runners who pass various meal items as they follow the pumpkin pie all the way to the turkey.

The Kids' Fun Run will take place on the track at 9:30 a.m. The two pumpkin Roll Contests for kids will take place at 9:55 a.m., while the two contests for students and adults will take place immediately following the 5k at 10:45 a.m. Raffles for various prizes, including local giveaways, African carvings, and gift certificates, will be drawn

The race is open to all runners and walkers. The registration fee for the Kids' Fun Run is \$10 on-site or \$5 in advance. The fee for the 5k event is \$20 on-site or \$18 in advance. Those who register in advance will earn

## Lisbon Historical presents Veterans Day program

Local historian Charles Plummer will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Lisbon Historical Society on Wednesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. In honor of Veterans Day, Plummer will remember some of the local people who answered the call to fight in the Civil and Korean Wars.

Plummer tells us that Pres. Abraham Lincoln's call for volunteers during the Civil War was promptly answered by many men of the town of Lisbon. In 1861, no town in Maine furnished more soldiers in terms of proportion of its population than Lisbon. Ranging in age from 16 to 43, they were described as "an independent breed with a great deal of Yankee pride." They also displayed a firm belief in hard work, which made them outstanding soldiers. Of the 32 regiments of infantry, two regiments of cavalry, and several regiments of light and heavy artillery that were raised in Maine, volunteers from Lisbon served in 19.

Following the end of

World War II, our nation experienced five years of peace, but that was suddenly interrupted with the onset of the Korean War, which its veterans call "the forgotten war." Once again, men from Lisbon answered the call of duty to prevent the spread of communism. Among the first casualties of the war, and the first from Maine, was Cpl. Harry R. Plummer from the town of Lisbon. Severely wounded in action on July 17, 1950, while serving as a tank commander, he died the next day from his wounds.

Plummer, a veteran of the Korean War, the brother of Cpl. Harry Plummer, and the descendant of an ancestor killed during the Civil War, will provide an overview of the roll that Lisbon volunteers played in these two wars.

The program will take place in the MTM Center on School Street in Lisbon Falls. Parking, and the Society's rooms, are at the rear of the building. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 353-8510 or email LisbonHistSoc@ gmail.com.

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# What's Going On

## Christmas Fair at Sixth St. Congregational

Sixth St. Congregational Church at 109 Sixth St. in Auburn will host a Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event will feature baked goods of all kinds, including pies, squares, cookies, candy and fudge, bread, and fruit breads, such as blueberry, pumpkin, banana, etc. There will also be a white elephant table featuring dishes, Christmas items, and jewelry; a craft

table with knit goods, such as hats, mittens, and sweaters, and other hand-crafted items; and a book table with both hard- and soft-covered books.

Several items will be raffled, including a handmade quilt and gift baskets, and there will also be a 50-50 raffle. Lunch items, including corn chowder, chili, hot dogs, brownies, and gingerbread, will be available from 10:30 to 12:30.

Urogynecologist **Ted Roth, M.D.,** of Central Maine Urogynecology bosts

# Air Force Jr. ROTC plans Veterans Day Breakfast

The Air Force Junior ROTC cadets of Lewiston High School, in partnership with the Ramada Inn of Lewiston and area veterans' organizations, will host a Veterans Day Breakfast on Friday, November 11 from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at the Ramada Inn, 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Local dignitaries - including Mayor Robert MacDonald and representatives from the offices of Senator Susan Collins and

Congressman Bruce Poliquin - will address the gathering during a ceremony that will begin halfway through the hour. Also planned is a recognition of the Lewiston High School staff members who were instrumental in starting the AF Jr. ROTC unit at the high school in 1989. Veterans who wish to make a reservation for themselves and their spouse are asked to contact Bert Dutil at BADutil32@ yahoo.com.

# Break Free from Pelvic Floor Disorders

A public awareness event sponsored by the American Urogynecology Society

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Join Dr. Ted Roth, specialist in female urology and an expert in the diagnosis and treatment of PFDs, as he discusses seeking help for a condition some find difficult to talk about, understanding the facts about PFDs, and how to access the right medical therapy and interventions. Leave feeling empowered to pursue individual solutions to gain back your quality of life.

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# What's Going On

## Legion Post 135 to present Blue Star banners

American Legion Post 135 of Sabattus will host a ceremony to present Blue Star service banners to local families of those on active duty on Sunday, November 13 at 3 p.m. A reception with refreshments will immediately follow. The post is located at 40 Island Road in Sabattus.

The Blue Star represents one family member currently serving on active duty; a single banner can have up to five stars. Blue Star banners will be presented to a member of the immediate family from Sabattus, or surrounding communities not served by a local Legion Hall, who wish to receive one. This recognition is provided at no cost to the family. For more information, call the post at 375-4058, leave a message, and someone will contact you.

An application may

be picked up at Post 135, various local establishments, and the Town Hall, and accessed online at the Post 135 website. Applications

should be postmarked no later than November 7 and sent to: Sabattus American Legion, P.O. Box 392, Sabattus, ME 04280.

## Legion Breakfast to feature Aux. National President

net.

American Legion Harry J. Conway Post 135 of Sabattus will host a Breakfast Buffet featuring special guest Legion Auxilliary National President Mary Davis on Sunday, November 6 from 7:30 to 10 a.m. The price for this all-you-can-eat al President breakfast with eggs to order will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. The post is located at 40 Island Road in Sabattus. Volunteers are always welcome. For more information, see www.americanlegionpost135.sabattus.

# Fair organizers seek crafters and vendors

The High Street Congregational Church Guild is seeking crafters and vendors for its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tables are \$20 and set up will take place Friday, November 18 from 3 to 7:30 p.m. or Saturday morning from 7 to 8:30 a.m. The church is located at 106 Pleasant Street in Auburn.

The event will include knit and sewn items, candy, baked goods, jewelry, crafts, home-party vendors, a Country Store and more. Register for this firstcome, first-served opportunity by emailing office@ highstreet-ucc.org.

## Auburn Ski Assoc. Ski Swap set for Nov. 13

The Auburn Ski Association's 53rd annual Ski Swap will take place on Sunday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Auburn Middle School off Court Street on Falcon Drive in Auburn. Get great deals and selection on new and used winter sports equipment, including skis, boots, poles, snowboards, helmets, clothing and more.

To sell your quality used equipment on consignment, bring items to the Auburn Middle School cafeteria from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 12. There will be a 50 cent per item charge and ASA keeps 18 percent of sale proceeds. A check from the sale of your items will be available from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday after the swap.

ASA is a nonprofit organization providing financial support for alpine and Nordic race programs at Edward Little High School, Auburn Middle School, and Lost Valley Racing Club. ASA also provides scholarships and purchases equipment for area teams and clubs and supports an after-school learn-to-ski program for Auburn grade school students through the Merrick Chadbourne Memorial Fund. For more information, call Kevin Arel at 786-3430 or see auburnskiassociation.com.

# Sen. Collins to speak at Chamber Breakfast

U.S. Senator Susan Collins will be the guest speaker at the next Breakfast Meeting of the L-A Metro Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, November 10 at 7 a.m. at the Ramada Inn Conference Center at 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Collins will discuss issues facing businesses throughout our community and the event will pay tribute to our veterans and active duty servicemen and women on the eve of Veterans Day. The cost will be \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. Registration is available at www.LAMetroChamber. com.



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# What's Going On

## Bird club hosts Nov. field trip, meeting

The Stanton Bird Club of Lewiston and Auburn will offer a birding field trip on Saturday, November 5 and, after taking a summer break, will resume its monthly meetings on Monday, November 7. Both events are free and open to the public. The field trip, to explore "Lakes and Rivers of Lewiston-Auburn," will meet on Saturday, November 5 at 8 a.m. at J.C. Penney's at the Auburn Mall. Participants should assemble at the end of the store nearest to Center Street. Carpooling to sites on the itinerary will be arranged from there.





The Black-mandibled Toucan is one of many colorful tropical birds to be found in Costa Rica, the subject of the club's meeting on November 7. (Photograph by Anne D. Williams)

The focus of the trip will be to explore open water from Lake Auburn to Sabattus Pond for shorebirds and other fall migrants. Participants should dress warmly and bring binoculars. Led by Dan Marquis, the trip will return to Penney's around noon. Call him with any questions at 513-8213.

The meeting on Monday, November 7 will begin at 6:30 p.m. and take place in Room 285 at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College. Longtime club members Anne Williams and Stan DeOrsey will team up to present a birder's view of Costa Rica, which they have both visited separately. A peaceful country with abundant natural history, Costa Rica offers birders great birdwatching opportunities within relatively short distances, as habitats range from sea level to high mountains. Williams and DeOrsev report having seen almost 200 birds they had never seen before while there, as well as many that we see here that migrate there for the winter.

Stan DeOrsey, who has been actively birding for over 40 years, is especially interested in the historical changes of bird populations. He has written a book on this



## Pause for Pets fair to benefit **Humane Society**

A Pause for Pets fair will take place on Sunday, November 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center at 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Proceeds from this twice-annual event will support the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society.

The fair will feature over 70 tables and 50 vendors offering handmade crafts, pet supplies and various products. There will be raffles benefiting the shelter and a free door prize drawing for attendees. Items collected for the shelter will include pet food, litter, toys, bleach, cleaning products and clean newspaper. Pinky D's food truck will provide delicious offerings for those looking for lunch. Admission is free.

Volunteers and staff from the shelter will be on hand to discuss programs and

topic concerning New York, as well as a research guide about birds for the Lewiston and Auburn area. Anne Williams is a retired economics professor from Bates College, and a noted expert on the history of jigsaw puzzles.

The Stanton Bird Club manages the Thorncrag Nature Sanctuary in Lewiston and the Woodbury Nature Sanctuary in Monmouth and Litchfield. For more information, see www. StantonBirdClub.org.

services offered, including spay-neuter assistance, while volunteers from CERT/ CART will have information on emergency preparedness for area residents and pet owners. For more information about the event, contact the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society at 783-2311 or Pause4PetsFairs@ vahoo.com.

## Norway Savings earns "Best of Bauer" status

Norway Savings Bank has achieved "Best of Bauer" status for earning and maintaining BauerFinancial's highest five-star rating for 25 continuous years or longer. BauerFinancial Inc. of Coral Gables, Florida has been analyzing and reporting on the nation's banks since 1983. Earning a five-star rating from Bauer indicates that a bank is one of the strongest in the nation. Some of the areas in which Norway Savings was found to excel are capital, with more than twice that required by regulators; loan quality, with delinquent loans at a manageable level; and profitability, with the bank earning \$9.217 million in 2015 and \$1.858 million in the first quarter of 2016.

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## Local clergy convene for Veterans Day prayer service

Area clergy will gather to lead the 13<sup>th</sup> annual community-wide Veterans Day prayer service, "We Remember & Give Thanks," on Friday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. The event will take place at Holy Family Church, 607 Sabattus Street in Lewiston.

All are invited, regardless of denomination or faith affiliation, to this evening of reflection, when local clergy will join together to honor through prayer and song those who have served or are serving in the United States Armed Forces. All active and inactive military and their families are invited to attend. Active soldiers who live in the area or are home on leave are encouraged to attend in uniform.

Words cannot explain our gratitude to each and every veteran for their service in defense of our country and to those who gave the ultimate gift to ensure our freedom. The entire community is invited to give thanks and remember.

#### City councils vote to support Community Food Charter

The Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn has announced that its Community Food Charter has received endorsements from the city councils of both Lewiston and Auburn. After hearing a presentation from GFCLA staff and membership at a previous meeting, a resolve supporting the charter was passed by the Lewiston City Council on September 20 and by the Auburn City Council on October 3.

The charter is a statement of community beliefs regarding food. A growing number of communities in the U.S. and Canada have food charters, and Lewiston-Auburn's is the first in Maine. The charter was created as a tool to raise awareness of the importance of the local food system, to provide a framework for discussion by community members and decision makers, and to provide a consistent, focused approach over time. It will be used to help inform new projects and move forward ideas aimed at creating better access to good and affordable food. Individuals and groups are encouraged to visit the GFCLA website to show their support by endorsing the charter.

In addition, several Senators and Representatives representing Lewiston and Auburn at the State House shared a letter of support for the work done by GFCLA on behalf of the community. The letter states, in part: "Your vision for a food-secure community and your charter as a means for realizing that vision are truly inspirational." The letter was signed by Senator Libby and Representatives Rotundo, Lajoie, Brooks, Golden, Bickford, Melaragno, and Sawicki.

These announcements kick-off a slate of activities highlighting the local food system in advance of National Food Day on October 24. National Food Day is meant to inspire Americans to change their diets and our food policies. On that date, thousands of events around the country will bring Americans together to celebrate and enjoy real food and to push for improved food policies.

Locally, Mayor Robert MacDonald of Lewiston and Mayor Jonathan LaBonté of Auburn are both expected to issue proclamations declaring October 24 Food Day in the Twin Cities. Residents are encouraged to participate in planned events and to take personal initiative during the month to highlight local resources for an improved food system and a healthier, more locally-based diet.

The Council was formed in the summer of 2012 to create and support improvements to the food system of the Lewiston-Au-

### Take-Out Bean Supper to benefit Coats for Kids



The next Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Take-Out Bean Supper on Saturday, November 5, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. will support the group's Coats for Kids campaign. Prices range from \$3 for a pint of beans to \$10 for "The Works" combination with a quart of beans.

the event or just stop in at Holy Cross Church Hall, 1080 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. Donations will be ac-

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## Museum L-A shares Franco immigration story across state

If the number of requests Museum L-A Executive Director Rachel Desgrosseilliers receives to speak on the topic is any indication, interest across the state on the immigration story of Maine's Franco American community has been growing.

On October 13, Desgrosseilliers spoke to a group of 40 participants at the University of Southern Maine's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) in Portland. In September, she addressed a group of 30 at a Belgrade Historical Society program, and in July, she presented to a group of 24 teachers and professors at the Maine Jewish Museum in Portland.

Her program at OLLI

burn community. It educates the public and serves as a forum for discussing issues, fosters coordination between sectors in the food system, evaluates and influences pol-

of Maine. The two-hour presentation focused on the story of French Canadian immigration, in which over 900,000 French Canadians left Canada to emigrate to the U.S. between 1840 and 1930, an exodus that has now largely been forgotten in Quebec's historical memory. As the daughter of a French Canadian immigrant millworker, she shared the story and traditions of a typical Franco-American family. A lively question and answer period followed. For more information about Museum L-A, call 333-3881 or email jcartmell@

icy, and supports programs that meet local food needs.

museumla.org.

For more information or to read and sign the L-A Community Food Charter, see goodfood4la.org.



# Franco-American Veterans Post 31 installs new officers



The newly elected officers are: Commander - Jerry Dewitt, Sr.; Vice Commander - Don Gosselin, Jr.; Vice Commander - Norm Bussiere; Quartermaster - Terry Waite; Adjutant - Cecile Burgoyne; Chaplain - Don Dube; Judge Advocate - Bert Dutil; Sgt. at Arms - Fern Cloutier; and Trustees, Year 3 - Armand Bussiere, Year 2 - Maurice Fournier, and Year 1 - Ed Samson.

Franco-American Veterans Post 31 of Lewiston recently met at Rolly's Diner in Auburn to conduct their Installation of Officers for the new year.

The next meeting of the Post will take place on

#### AREA to meet Nov. 9

The Androscoggin Retired Educators Association will meet on Wednesday, November 9 at 10:30 a.m. at the Ramada Inn of Lewiston. The guest speaker will be Corley Byras, Vice-President of MEA-R. The cost for lunch is \$11.

Please send reserva-

Tuesday, November 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lewiston Armory. Any veterans interested in joining should attend this meeting.

For more information, call 576-0376 or 786-2305.

tions to Grace and Hugh Keene, 179 Cook Street,

Auburn, 04210. Androscoggin Retired Educators Association is open to all retired educators; you need not have taught in Androscoggin County, or even in the State of Maine, to join.

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The YMCA of Auburn-Lewiston intends to solicit assistance from the Maine Army National Guard concerning the creation of a multi-purpose field, access road and site prep for construction of a pavilion on the N. River Road side of the Y's 93-acre wooded property in Auburn.

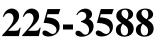
Local contractors, labor unions and private individuals with questions, or who oppose the Maine Army National Guard's assistance may contact the YMCA no later than **Dec. 31, 2016**. Persons not filing comments within the time frame will be considered to have waived their objections to the Maine Army National Guard creating a field, access road and conducting site prep.

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#### **Olin Concert Series presents Arté Trio**



From I.: Miki-Sophia Cloud, Katsura Tanikawa, and Laura Usiskin, aka the Arté Trio, perform at Bates College on Friday, November 4. (Photo by Carol Stein)

Bates College's Olin Concert Series resumes this weekend with a performance by the up-and-coming Arté Trio on Friday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. Making their debut in 2012, Yale School of Music graduates Miki-Sophia Cloud, Katsura Tanikawa, and Laura Usiskin base their spirited and moving collaboration on deep friendship and their ardent love for the chamber repertoire. Olin

Arts Center is located at 75 Russell Street in Lewiston. Tickets are \$15. For more information, call 786-6135 or email olinarts@bates.edu. For tickets, see batesconcerts. eventbrite.com.

#### Franco Center hosts New Hampshire day trip

Mitch Thomas, executive director of the Gendron Franco Center, and popular bus trip leader Bert Dutil will lead a day-long bus trip to Indian Head Resort and the Christmas Loft in New Hampshire on Saturday, November 12. The trip will depart from the center at 6:45 a.m. and will return to Lewiston by 6 p.m. on the same day.

The cost of the trip



is \$72 per person, which includes transportation to the resort, a big buffet dinner and dessert, music and dancing, admission to the Christmas show, coupons for discounts in the gift shop, and free all-day parking at the Franco Center. Coffee and breakfast snacks will be available at the Franco Center, starting at 6 a.m. Part of the trip proceeds will benefit the center.

To reserve and pay for spots, visit their box office at 46 Cedar Street in Lewiston, call 783-1585 or email boxoffice@francocenter.org.

## Basilica hosts concert by Maine Friends of Music

Known for their diverse repertoire, the Maine Friends of Music chamber group will present a program of various musical styles called "Baroque and Beyond" on Sunday, November 6 at 4:30 p.m. at the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Lewiston. The concert will include works by Boismortier, Couperin, Devienne, Mozart, Beethoven, Field, Faure, and Joplin. The Basilica is at 122 Ash Street. Admission to the event is free and

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donations will be accepted. The Maine Friends of

Music are Sean Fleming, piano and harpsichord; Linda Brunner, flute; and David DeBolt, bassoon. Their program will begin with a suite of dance music for bassoon by the French composer Joseph Bodin de Boismortier. This will be followed by selections from Couperin's "Les goûts-réunis, ou Nouveaux concerts," a piece in which the harpsichord and the full ensemble alternate; a flute sonata by "the French Mozart" Devienne; a movement from Mozart's sonata in B-flat major for bassoon; and a beautiful nocturne for solo composer by the Irish composer John Field, a predecessor to Chopin. The concert will end with a set of variations for flute, bassoon, and forte-piano written by a teenage Ludwig Beethoven and an arrangement for the full group of

the full group of Scott Joplin's "The Entertainer."

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The orchestra is directed by Linda Vaillancourt, who earned her music degree from the University of Southern Maine and her Master's in viola performance from the University of Maine. Vaillancourt has taught students of all ages for over a decade and currently teaches band and orchestra at North Yarmouth Academy. Actively involved in ASTA and NafME/MMEA, she has served as orchestra vice

president and manager of the Maine All-State Orchestra. She frequently performs as violist in the Bangor Symphony, Maine Chamber Ensemble, and Maine Music Society.

Rehearsals will take place on Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. at Free Grace Presbyterian Church, located at 160 Canal Street in Lewiston. The first rehearsal is on Tuesday, November 8. The cost to participate is \$100 per semester, which includes weekly rehearsals and two concerts. Semesters run November through February and March through May. For more information, contact Grace Note at 619-1701 or info@gracenotemusic.org.

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# "Chicago" opens this weekend at CLT



Olivia Mayo as June and Melissa May Stevens as Velma Kelly do the "Cell Block Tango." (Photo by Fran Nuite)

Community Little Theater's production of the Kander and Ebb musical "Chicago" opens for its two-week run at Great Falls Theatre on Friday, November 4. A winner of six Tony Awards and

Broadway's longest running American musical, the show has all the elements of a great musical: show-stopping tunes, Bob Fosse-inspired dance numbers, and a story about "murder, greed, corrup-

Bates College presents "Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure"



Director Katie Van Patten, '17, of Chico, California is a double major in theater and Japanese. (Photo by Josh Kuckens/ Bates College)

Bates College will present a student production of "Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure" in five performances Thursday through Monday, November 3 through 7. Directed by Bates Senior Katie Van Patten, this adaption by playwright Steven Dietz of a play by William Gillette and Arthur Conan Doyle retells some of the best-known stories featuring Holmes' greatest adversaries, Professor Moriarty and Irene Adler. Performances will take place in Gannett Theater in Pettigrew Hall at 305

College Street in Lewiston on November 3, 4, and 7 at 7 p.m.; November 5 at 5 p.m.; and November 6 at 2. p.m. Admission is free, but tickets are recommended. For more information, call 786-6161; for tickets, see http://batestheateranddance.eventbrite.com. tion, violence, exploitation, adultery... All those things we hold near and dear to our hearts."

Heading up the cast are Colleen Katana as Roxie Hart and Melissa Stevens as Velma Kelly. Lawyer

> Marc Mailhot to perform at La Rencontre



Singer and pianist Marc Mailhot will provide the entertainment at the Gendron Franco Center's next La

Rencontre on Thursday, November 10 at 11:25 a.m. The meal will be Thanksgiving-themed, with turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, rolls, apple crisp and ice-cream. The cost of the meal and the program is \$10. To reserve a spot, contact the center at 783-1585 or boxoffice@francocenter.org.

# Twin City Nights

Billy Flynn will be played by Daniel Hollander; Jennine Cannizzo will portray jail matron Mama Morton; Cody Watson will play Amos Hart; and Jason Pelletier will play reporter Mary Sunshine. The director is Richard Martin, the music director is Paul G. Caron, the assistant director and choreographer is Jake Boyce, the producer and costumer is Karen Mayo, and the stage manager is Brandon Chaloux.

Production dates are November 4, 5, 10, 11, 12 at 7:30 p.m. and November 6 and 13 at 2 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center is on Academy Street in Auburn. For more information or to buy tickets, see www. laclt.com.

# "Lawn and Disorder" opens Friday at Public Theatre



Featuring nationally known comedians Jim Colliton and Karen Morgan, this non-stop evening of comedy about the foibles of being married runs for one weekend only on Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 6 at 2 p.m. To buy tickets, call 782-3200 or see thepublictheatre.org.



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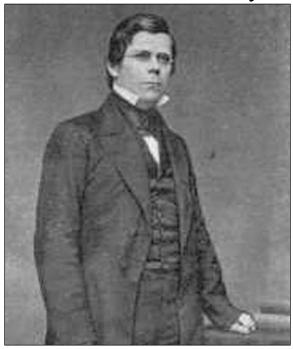
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# Norlands hosts Veterans Day "Tour, Talk and Tea"



Maine's Civil War Governor, Israel Washburn, Jr., enlisted 50,000 men in less than two years - more troops per capita than any other state.

The Washburn-Norlands Living History Center will honor local Civil War veterans and spotlight the accomplishments of Maine's Civil War Governor, Israel Washburn, Jr., in a special living history "Tour, Talk and Tea" program on Saturday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited and tickets, which are \$13, must be purchased by November 10.

The program will begin with a tour of the 1867 Washburn Family home, where guests will see family heirlooms and Civil War-era fashions on display. Visitors will then adjourn to the ladies' parlor for a rare opportunity to hear readings from original family letters and songs of the period. Afterwards, guests may cozy up to the woodstove in the historic farmer's cottage to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a homemade dessert, such as nutmeg cake or apple pie.

Presented by Norlands interpretive staff in costume, the program will be directed by Willi Irish, Norlands Director of Interpretation, who will portray her ancestor Clara Howard. "Aunt Clara" will share reflections about Israel Washburn's service during the War. Samuel Boothby will share reflections on Israel from the perspective of his brothers, Elihu and Cadwallader. Other interpreters will include Jeannette Macdonald as Julia Coolidge (1832-1923), wife of Augustus Coolidge (1830-1889), who was a postmaster and owned a general store in North Livermore; and Robin Lewis as Louese Moore (1845-1904), wife of local Civil War veteran William S. Moore (1841-1915). Norlands interpreter Larry Whittington will provide piano accompaniment.

Norlands is located at 290 Norlands Road in Livermore. To purchase tickets, call 897-4366 or email norlands@norlands.org. For more information, see www. norlands.org.



# **Red-Eyed Fox plays Village Coffeehouse**



Jake Hoffman (of Tumbling Bones) and Tyler Lienhardt (of Tricky Britches, C.C and the Swing Set) have teamed up to form Red-Eyed Fox. The duo, which plays traditional music from North America and around the world, will perform on Saturday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Coffeehouse, 19 Gloucester Hill Road in New Gloucester. Admission is \$10. For more information, call 653-4823.

## Food for Thought explores "Race for the Pole"

Lewiston native and Edward Little High School graduate Robert Begin will be the presenter at USM Lewiston-Auburn Senior College's next Food for Thought luncheon on Thursday, November 10. His presentation, "Scott, Amundsen, and Shackleton - The Race for the Pole," will include stories and a slide presentation portraying the expeditions to claim the unexplored and hostile territory of Antarctica for Great Britain.

Scott, Amundsen, and Shackleton were colleagues as well as rivals in their quest to seek fame, glory, and riches to serve King and Country. Scott was able to attain fame and an iconic place in English history, Amundsen never received the level of fame and recognition he believed was his, and Shackleton overcame unbelievable hardships to bring all of his men home safely. In fact, more than 100 years after his epic journey, Shackleton's leadership style is still studied today by major corporations and universities.

Begin grew up in both Lewiston and Auburn. As a young man, he maintained a paper delivery route for the Lewiston Daily Sun and Evening Journal. He also worked at such local landmarks as Goodwin's Dairy Bar, Morin Brick Yard and Clark Shoe Company.



Presenter Robert Begin

A graduate of Babson College in Massachusetts, he was drafted in 1965 and served two years in the Army. He then settled in Boston, got married, raised two sons, and worked for 35 years as a Logistics Manager in the paper and film industries. His passions include sailing, history, reading, and spending time with his five grandchildren.

Open to the public, this monthly luncheon pro-

# Auburn Seniors plans **Thanksgiving Feast**

of the Auburn Recreation prizes, and a great meal Department will host a Thanksgiving Feast on Tuesday, November 8, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Rolly's Diner in Auburn. The event

gram takes place in Function Room 170 at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. and the program begins promptly at noon. The cost, which includes lunch, is \$7 with an advance reservation or \$8 at the door. To make an advance reservation, call Senior College at 753-6510 by noon on Tuesday, November 8. Calls received after this time will be considered "at the door."

The Seniors Program will include games, raffles, of roast turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and gravy, squash, green bean casserole, pumpkin and chocolate cream pies. Beverages will also be available. The cost is \$15 per person. Tickets are on sale at Auburn Recreation until November 5. For more information. call Jan Biron at 333-6601, ext. 2108.

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#### Thursday, November 3

Ribbon Cutting Event. 11 a.m. Caribbean Life Grocery & Gift Shop, 940 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Enjoy samples of traditional Caribbean foods while welcoming and exploring the offerings of this new specialty food shop.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Today's speaker is Mary Kozicki LaFontaine, Regional Director of the Southern Maine CareerCenters. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica.millhime@ maine.gov.

Create II Forum. 3 to 5 p.m. Bates Mill Atrium, 36 Chestnut St., Lewiston. The L-A Econ. Growth Council hosts this lecture and Q-&-A on supporting a "creative community" of entrepreneurship; begins with a social hour w/. hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, and tours. \$25. LAEGC.org.

Theater: "Sherlock Holmes: The Final Adventure." 7 p.m. Gannett Theater, Pettigrew Hall, 305 College St., Lewiston. The Bates College Theater Dept. presents this retelling of classic tales featuring Holmes' greatest adversaries. Again 11/4-7 (Sat. 5 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m.). Free, but tix recommended. 786-6161.

#### Friday, November 4

Opening Night: "Chicago." 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, 30 Academy St., Auburn. Community Little Theatre presents the Tony Award-winning musical spoof of crime (and fame) in the Roaring Twenties. Again 11/5-6, 10-13 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). For ticket info, call 783-0958 or see www. laclt.com.

Theatre: "Lawn and Disorder." 7:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. National comedians Karen Morgan and Jim Colliton present an evening of comedy exploring the hilarity of everyday married life. Again 11/5, 6 (Sun. at 2 p.m.) Tix \$20 (\$5 ages 18-). 782-3200; thepublictheatre.org.

Concert: Arté Trio. 7:30 p.m. Olin Arts Center, Bates College, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. This up-and-coming trio base their spirited collaboration on a shared love of chamber music. \$15. 786-



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ton. This band features a 16-year-old guitar phenom and a lead singer with more than 20 years of experience performing across the South. Admission \$5. 783-1585.

#### Saturday, November 5

Field Trip. 8 a.m. to noon. This Stanton Bird Club excursion to observe shorebirds and fall migrants across Lewiston-Auburn carpools from J.C. Penney (Center St. end of the store) at the Auburn Mall. Free; all welcome. 513-8213.

Holiday Festival. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. St. Dominic Academy, 121 Gracelawn Rd., Auburn. This annual event features 75 vendors and crafters, a large raffle area for adults and kids, food and refreshments, games, face painting, and more.

Christmas Fair. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. United Methodist Church, corner Rte. 121 and Empire Rd., Minot. Crafts, homemade foods, door prizes, lunch items; Rada products, white elephant, and silent auction tables.

Take-Out Bean Supper. 3 to 5:30 p.m. Holy Cross Church Hall, 1080 Lisbon St., Lewiston. This month's event benefits Coats for Kids. Items may be purchased singly or in combo specials; call 212-5163 or just stop in.

Soup, Chili and Chowder Challenge. 4 to 7 p.m. Baxter Brewing Company, 130 Mill St., Lewiston. Sample the offerings and vote for the People's Choice; benefits Andro. Home Care & Hospice. Adv. tix \$10/5 (\$2 more at door). 333-6300.

Empty Bowls Supper. 4:30 to 6 p.m. Presbyterian Church, Rte. 132, Wales. This buffet meal with live music and silent pottery auction supports hunger prevention; pres. by Rural Community Action Ministry. \$10 (or \$25 for family of five). 524-5095.

Public Supper. 5 p.m. Paris Fire Station, Western Ave., So. Paris. The Dept. Auxiliary serves up roast pork, potatoes, vegetables, bread, mac & cheese, salads and assorted homemade pies. \$8; ages 4-12 \$4; ages 3- free.

Harvest Supper. 5 to 6 p.m. Amvets Hall, Rte. 100, New Gloucester. Ham, potatoes, carrots, squash, turnip, cabbage, onions, rolls, coffee, tea, punch, and homemade apple crisp. \$10; ages 6-12 \$5; ages 5- free. Supports veterans projects of the Post #6 Auxiliary.

Battle of the Blends XXIII. 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Maine Music Society presents this showcase of talented singing groups from across New England. Advance tix \$25, kids 11- \$10 (\$2 more at door). 782-7228; www.mainemusicsociety.org.

Concert: Red-Eyed Fox. 7:30 p.m. Village Coffeehouse, 19 Gloucester Hill Rd., New Gloucester. This duo plays traditional music from No. America and around the world, \$10. 653-4823.

#### Sunday, November 6

Monthly Breakfast. 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. American Legion Post 31, 426 Washington St. No., Auburn. Eggs, bacon, sausage, French toast, home fries, hash, beans, biscuits & gravy, pastry, toast, juice and coffee. \$5. 783-6992.

Breakfast Buffet. 7:30 to 10 a.m. American Legion Post 135, 40 Island Rd., Sabattus. Enjoy all you can eat with eggs to order and meet Legion Auxilliary National President Mary Davis. \$7 (kids \$3). www.americanlegionpost135.sabattus.net.

Pause for Pets Fair. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Ramada Inn Conf. Center, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. Over 50 vendors offer handmade crafts, pet supplies and various products; raffles; lunch items by Pinky D's food truck. Free admission. Proceeds benefit Humane Society. 783-2311.

Concert: Maine Friends of Music. 4:30 p.m. Basilica

of Sts. Peter & Paul, 122 Ash

St., Lewiston. This chamber music trio performs a diverse program of works by Boismortier, Couperin, Devienne, Mozart, Beethoven, Field, Faure, and Joplin. Free.

Monday, November 7 Scholarship Auction. 2

p.m. Park Avenue Methodist Church, Park Ave., Auburn. Presented by the Auburn Art Club, this event supports scholarships for ELHS grads pursuing study in the arts.

Stanton Bird Club Meeting. 6:30 p.m. Room 285, Lewiston-Auburn College. Club members Anne Williams and Stan DeOrsey discuss recent birding trips to Costa Rica. Free.

Tuesday, November 8

Election Day Food Drive. Volunteers will be at Lewiston-Auburn polling stations today to collect donations of non-perishable food items for distribution by Trinity Jubilee Center, Hope Haven Gospel Mission, and the food pantries of local schools. 784-3200; dbeaudin@sta-law.com.

Thanksgiving Feast. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rolly's Diner, Auburn. The Seniors Program of Auburn Rec. presents games, raffles, prizes, and a meal of roast turkey with all the fixings and dessert. \$15. Tix avail. through Nov. 5. 333-6601, ext. 2108.

Wednesday, November 9

Andro. Retired Educators Assoc. Meeting. 10:30 a.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. The guest speaker is MEA-R Vice-President Corley Byras. Lunch \$11. Send reservations to Grace

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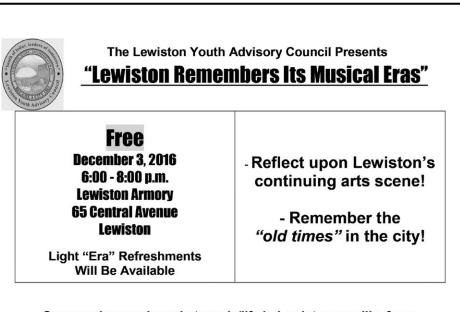
Lisbon Historical Soc. Meeting. 7 p.m. MTM Center, School St., Lisbon Falls. Historian Charles Plummer discusses the roll Lisbon volunteers played in the Civil and Korean Wars. Park at building rear. Free. 353-8510. **Thursday, November 10** 

Chamber of Commerce Breakfast. 7 a.m. Ramada Inn Conf. Center, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. Sen. Susan Collins discusses issues facing businesses in our community. \$30 (members \$20). Register at www.LAMetroChamber. com.

Food for Thought Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. Room 170, Lewiston-Auburn College. Robert Begin discusses "Scott, Amundsen, and Shackleton - The Race for the Pole." \$7/8, incl. lunch. For adv. price, register by noon on 11/8 at 753-6510. La Rencontre. 11:30 a.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. After a turkey meal, singer and pianist Marc Mailhot performs his solo show. \$10. Reserve at 783-1585, boxoffice@francocenter.org.

Rotary Club Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Veterans employment specialists Mark Cater and Richard Kowalczyk of the Maine Dept. of Labor discuss their work. Guests welcome. 753-9040; monica. millhime@maine.gov.

Theater: "Chicago." 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, 30 Academy St., Auburn. Community Little Theatre presents the Tony Award-winning musical spoof of crime (and fame) in the Roaring Twenties. Again 11/11-13 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). For ticket info, call 783-0958 or see www. laclt.com.



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Concert: Joan Osborne. 7:30 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. The Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter is joined by Keith Cotton for this special duet concert. \$30 adv., \$35 at door. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

Concert: Justin Lindsay & Bunk. 8:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewis-



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# Veterans employment specialists to address Rotary Club

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Local Veterans Em- Richard Kowalczyk will be the guest speakers at the next Rotary Club meeting on Thursday,



1 p.m. at the Ramada Inn of Lewiston. Both veterans them-

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