

Rawle named CMCC Student of the Year



Student of the Year Robyn Rawle (r), with Dean of Students Nick Hamel at the awards ceremony held recently in Augusta

Robyn Rawle of Buckfield has been selected as the Student of the Year at Central Maine Community College. She and six other Maine community college students were honored recently

for their academic success and campus and community involvement at a ceremony hosted by the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees in Augusta.

Rawle graduated from

CMCC this spring with President's Honors, the highest academic honors at the college. Active in the TRIO Student Success Center, she worked as a tutor and conducted

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Citizen of the Year honored at State House



Ken Blais (2nd from right), owner of Rolly's Diner and named 2017 Auburn Citizen of the Year by the Auburn Business Association, was recognized recently by the Maine House of Representatives in Augusta. He is pictured here with (from l.) Auburn City Councilor Leroy Walker, Rep. Bettyann Sheats (D-Auburn), and Rep. Bruce Bickford (R-Auburn).

Children's Fishing Derby & Casting Competition

The Litchfield Sportsmen's Club will host its 42nd annual Children's Fishing Derby & Casting Competition on Saturday, May 20. The competitions are open to all children ages 5 to 15. There is no charge to enter the fishing derby and a small fee to enter the casting competition.

The fishing derby has two age groups: 5 to 9 and

10 to 15. The child who catches the largest fish (determined by weight only) in each age group will receive a cash prize and trophy. Second place will receive a trophy. All kids will receive a prize for entering. The awards ceremony will begin at noon.

Registration opens at 9 a.m. The 5- to 9-year-olds will fish from 9:30 to 11:30

a.m. and the 10- to 15-year-olds will fish from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Children must be accompanied by an adult and must bring their own poles and gear (only worms and artificial lures will be allowed). Non-resident kids over the age of 12 must have a valid non-resident fishing license.

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Volunteers needed to place flags on veterans' graves

In honor of Memorial Day, Tri-County Mental Health Services will coordinate the placing of flags on veterans' graves in St. Peter's Cemetery in Lewiston on Sunday, May 28.

Volunteers are needed and should arrive to pick up their flags at 10 a.m. The cemetery is located at 217 Switzerland Road.

For more information, contact Jerry DeWitt

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

Payroll Management welcomes new CFO/HR Director

Payroll Management has announced that Michael Caron has joined their Executive Management team in the role of Chief Financial Officer and Director of Human Resources. An accomplished payroll professional with experience in all areas of payroll and tax filing, he is responsible for managing all human resources, accounting and tax functions of the company.



Michael Caron

Caron's select accomplishments have included building the customer service teams of a rapidly expanding payroll bureau, increasing operational efficiency through the implementation of policies and

procedures, executing software compliance upgrades, converting and onboard clients acquired through acquisition, and designing and executing employee incentive programs.

Family owned and operated for over 25 years, Payroll Management of Auburn is one of the largest independent payroll companies in Maine. The company currently provides services to businesses in Maine and 38 other states across the country, ranging in size from as few as one to as many as 1,500 employees. With 40 employees of their own and six sales people covering Maine and, now, New Hampshire, the closely-held company manages all accounts from its headquarters at 100 Manley Road in Auburn. For more information, see www.payrollmgt.com.

New Gloucester resident appt. to Board of Education



The Maine Senate recently confirmed Amy Arata of New Gloucester to a seat on the State Board of Education, following a unanimous vote of recommendation by the Education and Cultural Affairs Committee. Members of the State Board of Education serve five-year terms. Arata is pictured here with Senator Eric Brakey (R-Androscoggin).

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Lawmakers welcome Franco-American War Veteran's Color Guard to State House



Reps. Heidi Brooks, Roger Fuller, and Jim Handy, all D-Lewiston, and Gina Melaragno and Bettyann Sheats, both D-Auburn, welcome the Franco-American War Veteran's Color Guard, Post 31 of Lewiston, to the State House recently. The Color Guard presented the colors in the House of Representatives as part of the annual celebration of Franco-American Day and in recognition of the contributions Franco-Americans have made to the state and country.

Optimist Club speaker



Guest speaker James Marston (Jimbo) of Uncle Andy's Digest receives a framed copy of the Optimist Creed from 2nd Vice President Maime Ney (l.) and 1st Vice President Sabrina Best. Marston discussed his involvement with the Make-a-Wish Foundation's annual Summer Block Party, scheduled this year for August 12 at Mac's Grill on Minot Avenue in Auburn. In its first two years, the event has raised over \$52,000, granting wishes to seven children facing life-threatening illnesses. For more information about the Summer Block Party, see www.LASummerBlockParty.com.

Rawle

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impromptu study groups in math and science. She was a student in the Life Sciences

Honors Program, served as a lab assistant, and was an officer in the college chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for two-year colleges.

A stroke victim who suffers from diabetes, Rawle has also worked as a teacher's aid, helping students with disabilities. Her family owns and operates a horse farm in Buckfield, where for many years she has provided riding lessons and therapeutic riding for people with disabilities.

Rawle has accepted a merit-based scholarship to attend the University of New England in the fall, where she will pursue their "4+1 B.S./M.S." in Marine Sciences.

In addition to being recognized as Students of the Year, Rawle also received a \$1,000 John H. Lapoint, Jr. Leadership Award. Lapoint was president of UF Strainrite in Lewiston and a trustee of the Maine Community College System. After his death in 1995, his widow, Jana Lapoint, served on the Board from 1995 to 2006, where she helped establish the fund that supports the annual awards.



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Governor's Address: Mainers can overcome drug addiction with the right help and people involved

Mainers who have overcome drug addiction have powerful stories and when they share their struggle it is hard to ignore.

Dear Maine Taxpayer,

When Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price and President Trump senior advisor Kellyanne Conway visited Maine last week, most of the media tried to ignore the reason why they were here.

There were articles claiming the Trump administration and Maine is at odds over a narcotic bill I introduced. However, that was fake news. We are not at odds about this bill and all the media wanted to do was create controversy.

The media failed to

focus on the real issue. The real issues are the people who shared their stories of addiction; the doctors who shared their experience with addiction; the advocates who work day in and day out with people who want to recover from their addiction.

More than a dozen people met with Secretary Price to share their knowledge about opioid addiction and how we can move forward to help save lives. THIS is the real story.

Maine loses one person per day to drug overdose. In 2016, 376 people died because their addiction was more powerful than they were.

Liza Parker is a 26 year old mother of two who doesn't want to die. A



Governor Paul R. LePage

year ago she was addicted to heroin, and selling it to feed her addiction. She says "she let the drugs take over." It was one year ago she pledged to take back her life. A year clean, a job and a new home, Liza has done just that.

She received help

from Open Door Recovery in Ellsworth like many other mothers have. Open Door Recovery was the right solution for Liza and it is for many young women. It's why our administration will continue to see Open Door remains an option for addicts who want help.

The Department of Health and Human Services announced recently that \$5 million dollars will be used to treat opioid addiction by focusing on what works best for the individual.

There are other programs available to help Mainers, as well. We are currently working to open a 200-bed inpatient facility at the State prison in Southern Maine.

And I have asked the group that met last week

with Secretary Price to meet again. Maine can be a leader on reducing opioid addiction in our state and bringing awareness to this problem we face as a society.

There are many approaches we may take regarding opioid abuse, addiction, treatment, recovery and education and prevention. Law enforcement will continue to be a top priority to scourge the drugs from coming into our state. And we also want to focus on ensuring addicts who want help receive the appropriate help they need. It's simply not enough to provide a treatment option for an individual.

We must assess the addict and choose a course of action that will place that person on a successful

path to recovery. Every person is different and what works for Liza may not work for someone else. The important piece is that we are appropriately assessing addicts and which treatment plan is best suited for the person.

I want to thank everyone who works to reduce drug addiction in our State, you may be a survivor who shares your story, a doctor who guides addicts toward recovery or a law enforcement officer who encounters someone at their worst. I look forward to meeting with this group again to listen to their ideas on how we can help save more lives.

Thank You,
Paul R. LePage
Governor

CMCC graduates its largest class ever



Nursing graduates Kaitlyn Washburn, Amanda Stewart, Trisha Robbins and Priscilla Pierre are pictured here during the closing procession of the CMCC Commencement Exercises.

Almost 600 members of the Class of 2017 at Central Maine Community College - the largest graduating class in the school's history - marched in Commencement recently before a packed house of family, friends, and supporters at the Androscoggin Bank Colisée in Lewiston. President Scott Knapp presented the graduates with their diplomas, assisted by Dean of Academic Affairs Betsy Libby and members of the faculty.

Faculty members Fred Donovan and Maurice Nadeau served as grand mar-

shal and faculty marshal, respectively, and led the opening and closing processions. Dr. David MacMahon delivered greetings from the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees. Dean Roger Philippon recognized numerous academic achievements of the graduating class, including Student of the Year Robyn Rawle of Buckfield and All-Maine Academic Team members Misty Edgecomb of Auburn and Melissa Potter of Lewiston.

Auburn Mayor Jonathan LaBonte delivered the commencement ad-

dress. "Being here tonight, you've proven you can learn in the classroom, and the beauty of an education at Central Maine Community College is that the faculty keeps their eye on the application of that knowledge outside the four walls of a lab or lecture hall," LaBonte said. "The first lesson in the art of whatever you find passion in will be to muster all the creativity you have

and apply it. Second lesson is to repeat."

Graduates of more than 40 different programs at CMCC earned their associate degree, certificate, or advanced certificate credentials this year. Among the programs with the largest number of graduates were Business Administration and Management, Criminal Justice, Automotive Technology, Precision Machining Technology, and General Studies.

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New Ventures offers "Building Confidence" class

New Ventures Maine will offer a free, three-week "Building Confidence" class on Tuesdays, starting May 30, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College in Lewiston. Do you feel your confidence lagging? If so, this class will help you explore and practice concrete tools to raise self-esteem and build confidence, which you

can then use to enhance your job search or apply to day-to-day experiences.

The class is open to individuals and couples of all ages and incomes. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Chris Davis at New Ventures Maine at 753-6531 or christina.m.davis@maine.edu.

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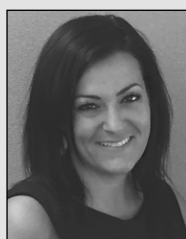
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Preventing and Treating Opioid Addiction in Maine

Maine is implementing an innovative, multimodal approach to preventing and treating opioid abuse. In recent years, we have pursued the following initiatives:

Strengthen opioid prescribing limits

About 75% of those addicted to heroin first became addicted to a prescribed opioid.

In 2016, Gov. LePage introduced, gained bipartisan support for, and ultimately signed a law to:

Cap opioid prescriptions at 100 morphine mil-

ligram equivalents (MME), with reasonable exceptions for certain conditions.

Limit opioid scripts to 7 days for acute pain and 30 days for chronic pain.

Require prescribers to check the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) before prescribing opioids.

Mandate the use of electronic prescribing for opioids to prevent diversion.

Add 3 hours of opioid addiction training to prescribers' continuing education requirements.

Establish Medicaid

rules for opioid prescribing

The LePage Administration proposed Medicaid rules for the prescribing of opioids to align with rules governing the Prescription Monitoring Program. These rules include parameters for appropriate opioid prescribing such as with acute injuries and flare ups, for postoperative pain management, and during painful procedures and recommends multimodal therapies in general for all chronic pain patients. The rule sets out prescriber requirements, limitations,

and exemptions that comply with state and federal laws, and provides guidelines for prior authorizations and medical records requirements.

Reform methadone clinic treatment

Methadone is a tool in the fight against opioid abuse. However, it must be delivered in accordance with an evidence-based model. Maine implemented rule-making changes to ensure that members receiving Methadone treatment receive comprehensive, qual-

ity care including:

A formal plan of care for each member, to include specific goals submitted to DHHS within the first 60 days of treatment and an established treatment baseline for each member.

After 24 months of treatment, providers are required to submit additional documentation in the form of a prior authorization regarding the member's response to treatment.

Counseling is now required to be provided for each member receiving methadone, in accordance with federal standards.

Promote a new model of MAT through Opioid Health Homes

The LePage Administration recently committed \$4.8 million to a new Opioid Health Home (OHH) initiative, which places opioid-addicted Medicaid recipients and the uninsured alike in a primary care "health home" using a team-based approach to coordinate physical, behavioral, and addiction care. It involves a range of qualified staff, including a Clinical Team Lead, Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) prescriber, Nurse Consultant, Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor, Certified Clinical Supervisor, and Peer Recovery Coach. The goal is to improve outcomes and quality of care for those undergoing treatment for opioids addiction.

Initiate a Vivitrol pilot project

Vivitrol is a medication-assisted treatment option that provides a monthly injection to block a patient's opioid cravings.

In partnership with Penobscot County Jail and Penobscot Community Health Care, a pilot launching this spring targets incarcerated women. Through this pilot program, Maine DHHS will begin administering the medication two months prior to each individual's release. Upon release, we ensure continuing care including counseling and housing assistance through Penobscot Community Health Care.

Help pregnant women with substance abuse disorder achieve long term recovery and improved birth outcomes

Every year, more than 1,000 babies are born substance-exposed in Maine, accounting for nearly 1/10 of all births in the state—a sixfold increase since

2008. Maine DHHS has developed strategies to connect prenatal families directly with public health and community-based resources. Those strategies include:

Increasing the number of pregnant women screened for substance abuse using SnuggleME, an evidence-based screening tool.

Increasing reporting requirements around treatment during pregnancy to evaluate gaps and barriers to prenatal substance abuse treatment.

Integrating prenatal care and substance abuse treatment, ensuring the best outcomes for the mother and baby.

Provide support and ensure substance treatment for families in the child welfare system

With more than 60% of the children coming into the State's protective custody due to parental substance abuse, Maine placed a stronger emphasis on programs designed to reach at-risk families. Parents receive substance abuse treatment through the Matrix Model Intensive Outpatient Program and parenting education through the Positive Parenting Program (Triple-P). The goals of these initiatives include:

Support more than 250 families annually.

Improve parental competence in managing common child behavior challenges.

Decrease use of punitive methods to manage children's behavior.

Decrease parental stress and increase parental confidence.

Reduce parental substance abuse during treatment.

Increase funding and accountability for addiction treatment

From 2008 to 2017, Maine has increased spending on substance abuse treatment for Medicaid members and the uninsured from \$57 million to \$82 million—a 43% increase—and now serves 20,000 low-income, addicted Mainers.

Further, Maine DHHS is now prioritizing direct funding at the individual, fee for service level, ensuring that the system is person-centered and focused on accountability for measurable outcomes to ensure people receive the right treatment in the right location at the right time.

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Enough is Enough

Lead paint, local legislators and skeptical attitudes toward business

By Robert E. Macdonald
MAYOR OF LEWISTON

Early on in my capacity as Lewiston's Mayor, I came to the realization how out of touch with the public our state legislators had become.

Once they win a legislative seat many, not all, form and project a state of mind that tells them they alone are the only ones who understand and are capable of solving the problems facing our state. (This goes a long way to understanding the distress we find our state economy.)

It would prove beneficial if our state and federal (both elected and non-elected) officials were to be required to spend time living among those voters whose lives will be affected by their decisions. This OJT

(on-the-job training) will hopefully allow them the ability to write legislation based on realistic experiences, not the words of lobbyists and social service groups.

A major problem currently facing our nation, our state and the City of Lewiston is the alarming rate of lead poisoning of children found in ours and other communities.

In many of our older buildings located downtown, there is a high concentration of lead due to the lead paint formerly used to adorn the walls of these apartments. This has exposed too many small children to the danger of a lifetime of retardation.

Lewiston's Senator Nate Libby introduced legislation to reinforce federal



Mayor Bob Macdonald

requirements related to training and certification of the renovation of lead laden buildings. This bill also provides \$100,000 annually in Maine taxpayers' money be given to the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection in order to offset the cost of training and certification.

Enter those rascally Republicans. They defeated the bill. Why would the State of Maine compensate the U.S. DEP to offset costs clearly the responsibility of the federal government? Further, by doing so we would have assumed the costs and responsibility of this federal DEP program.

I have a novel idea. Instead of using Maine taxpayers' money, why don't our legislators force the federal government to fund what is clearly their responsibility? They are elected to represent Maine taxpayers, not roll over and play dead.

Over the last six years Governor Paul R. LePage has laid out a clear plan to bring prosperity to Maine. Governor LePage is a successful businessman. He

knows in order to attract businesses to Maine, taxes must be lowered, energy costs must come down and Maine must free itself from job-killing regulations and other anti-business rules and policies.

But the Governor has a major problem: a well-meaning legislature filled with social workers, teachers, activists and unemployed/retired individuals who have very little knowledge or experience in making a payroll or putting together a business plan.

Some look at businesses with a jaundiced eye—many think business owners are the enemy. The lack of real-world understanding from these legislators, coupled with their skeptical attitude toward business and our job creators, have created a workforce crisis. Businesses are unable to fill jobs currently vacant, and forget about being able to expand.

But now these great leaders will work toward improving a plan formulated centuries ago by an-

cient Rome—a plan that eventually led to its downfall: open the gates to the barbarians.

Now before the Legislature is a bipartisan bill that would create an Office of New Mainers, which will help them learn English and the job skills needed to fill Maine's many vacant jobs. Its start-up cost will be \$2 million of your money. Whoever heads it will hold a cabinet position.

Conveniently left out of the fanfare is the cost necessary to meet their housing, food, clothing, medical, and increased school costs, all of which will fall on you, the taxpayer, either through your local, state or federal taxes.

Until unemployment reaches 0%, these jobs should be filled by Americans. If our current legislators cannot solve this problem, they should move aside and we will elect legislators who can. It's time we clean Augusta of politically correct activists and replace them with officials who have the courage to do what has to be done.

Registration open for Greater L-A Triple Crown series



The members of the Triple Crown organizing committee are (l. to r.) Erin Dunbar, Scott Brown, Michael Girardin, Jeff Wigton, Alan Groudle, Marcie Hird, Mary Murphy, Marie Veselsky, Ralph Fletcher, Erin McKay, David Hediger, Jamie Theriault, Shawn Vincent, and Mike Lecompte. Absent from the photo are Amy Hediger, Ben Fletcher, Mona Murphy, and Maureen Goff.

The Greater L-A Triple Crown fundraising series consists of three five-kilometer (3.1-mile) races that are open to runners and walkers of all ages. There will be prizes for the top finishers of each race, along with special prizes and raffles for runners who take part in all three races.

The series opens with the YMCA Fit Fest on Sunday, June 11 at Festival Plaza in Auburn; continues with Emily's Run on Sunday, July 23 at Edward Little

High School; and concludes with the L-A Bridge Run on Sunday, August 27 at the Rollodrome in Auburn. Each course is USA Track & Field certified, and Emily's Run has been designated as 2017 Maine State Championship event by the Road Runners Club of America.

Each 5K will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will feature chip timing, prize drawings, food, refreshments, massage, music, and an award ceremony at 10 a.m. The Auburn Firefighter's Local

797 Kids' Fun Run will precede each 5K at 8 a.m. The Fun Run is free to all youngsters. Registrations will only be accepted on the day of the event.

Registration for all three races is \$70, or \$25 for individual races. The last day for Triple Crown registration is June 11, when the price will increase to \$75. Individual 5K registrations increase to \$30 on race day. Registration for all Triple Crown 5K events is free for children

ages 14 and under. Registration forms can be picked up at the YMCA of Auburn-Lewiston, located at 62 Turner Street in Auburn. For more information about the individual events, prizes, or to access a registration form online, see www.triplecrown5k.com.



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What's Going On

Walk-Run to End Domestic Violence on June 3

Safe Voices will hold its annual 5K Walk-Run to End Domestic Violence on Saturday, June 3. They are again partnering with Bates College in Lewiston to continue to expand the event and provide participants with an exciting course. The goal is to spread awareness about domestic abuse and engage the community in supporting every person's right to feel safe.

Participants may register as a 5k run-

ner, 5k walker, or 1 mile walker. Strollers and well-behaved dogs on leashes are welcome. Once registered, participants may raise money by collecting pledge donations for their walk-run efforts. For more information, to register, or to donate, call 795-6744, ext. 213 or see www.safe-voices.org.

This year's fundraising goal is \$30,000. All money raised will fund vital services to victims of domestic violence in Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford Coun-

ties. In its last fiscal year, Safe Voices provided over 10,000 hours advocating for victims, provided community education to 9,203 individuals, and provided shelter to 121 individuals (including 54 children).

If you are concerned that someone you know may be a victim of domestic violence and would like to receive information and support, Safe Voices has a free, confidential helpline available 24 hours a day at 1-800-559-2927.

Spurwink to relaunch "A Family for ME" program to recruit foster and adoptive parents

Spurwink Services has been awarded a contract by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to relaunch "A Family for ME," a state-wide recruitment campaign designed to identify families interested in becoming foster and adoptive parents for children in custody of the Department.

Over the last decade,

the Office of Child and Family Services has seen the number of children under the age of five in state custody nearly double. 1,845 Maine children are currently in foster care. To ensure that their lives are disrupted as little as possible, children must be placed in suitable foster homes in appropriate locations.

Foster homes are urgently needed to meet targeted recruitment of families who can: provide temporary care to babies and young children in the process of reunification with their birth families; accommodate larger sibling groups to allow them to remain connected in the same home; and care for older youth with challenging

AHCH offers camp for grieving children and teens

Registration is now open for Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice's annual Camp Dragonfly, a daylong event designed to help grieving children and teens deal with the loss of a loved one. This year's event will take place on Saturday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Tripp Lake Camp in Poland. Children ages 6 to 17, along with their family members and others who support them, are welcomed to attend. At least one adult must attend with a child. While there is no cost to participate, attendees must register by May 26.

The goal of the one-

day camp is to aid youth who have experienced a loss and to help families feel comfortable having difficult conversations about death and loss with their children and other family members. The camp also helps children who have not yet experienced a loss but have a family member with a terminal illness. Camp activities, led by specially trained counselors and volunteers in a caring environment, offer opportunities for both therapeutic experiences and education about the grief process.

"We use a variety of proven approaches to help campers learn about the

grief process," said Amy Dulac, AHCH's Bereavement Coordinator. "Arts and crafts, music, theater and participation in age-appropriate group are some of the activities that are planned. We want children who are grieving to know that they do not have to go through grief alone and that there are many resources available to assist them through this difficult time."

The camp is aptly named, since the dragonfly symbolizes the transformation of life. For more information or to register, contact Dulac at 795-9468 or amy.dulac@ahch.org.

City economic development specialist to address Rotary

The guest speaker at the next meeting of the L-A Rotary Club on Thursday, May 25 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Ramada Inn of Lewiston will be Misty Parker, economic development specialist for the City of Lewiston.

In her role, Parker focuses on downtown redevelopment, working to strengthen the community through creative programs and services that support local business ownership. She is currently working with several community partners on a pilot



Misty Parker

workforce development program to help match local construction industry employers with residents who would benefit from

a career in this field. Prior to coming to Lewiston in 2014, she worked in economic development and town planning in the Mid-coast area. She holds a B.S. in Environmental Studies from UMaine-Machias and a Masters in Resource Management and Conservation from Antioch University New England.

All are welcome to attend; no reservations are required. Lunch is available for \$10 in the Fusion Restaurant at the Ramada, located at 490 Pleasant Street. For more information about this or future Rotary programs, contact Monica Millhime at 753-9040 or mmillhime@wmca.org.

Derby

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There is one group for the casting competition: ages 5 to 15. The competition will run from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The winner will receive a trophy.

Each year the Litchfield Sportsmen's Club stocks its on-site pond with

trout specifically for the children's fishing derby. Food and drink will be available in the clubhouse. For more information, call Tom Pelletier at 268-9271 or Mike Fletcher at 331-4719. For the complete tournament rules, see the LSC website at www.LitchfieldSportsmensClub.com.

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Program to spotlight results of Franco-American veterans project



Lewiston native Colonel Donald Dubay, USA-Ret., who served in the Vietnam War, the Middle East, and Operation Desert Storm, will be the featured speaker at the event.

With support of a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Franco-American Collection at USM's Lewiston-Auburn College recently called upon local Franco-American veterans and their families to provide information about their U.S. military service for inclusion in a historical archive.

The vast wealth of stories, information, and memorabilia they brought forward, reflecting a century of contributions by both men and women in World War I, World War II, the Cold War,

Korea, Vietnam, Bosnia, Afghanistan and Iraq, will be the subject of a capstone exhibit at Lewiston-Auburn College on Tuesday, May 23 from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the public, the event will also include a program called "Franco-Americans: A Bridge to International Diplomacy" and a reception to recognize those who made contributions to the project.

In the program, Ambassador Charles Franklin Dunbar of Brunswick, Maine, will introduce honored guest speaker Colonel

Donald Dubay, USA-Ret., a native of Lewiston who served in the Vietnam War, the Middle East, and Operation Desert Storm. The two men will speak in French and English to describe their shared experiences serving with United States diplomatic missions in the Middle East before Colonel Dubay will discuss his career in the U.S. Army.

Dubay grew up in Auburn, graduating from Edward Little High School and the University of Maine at Orono. Students from Edward Little will attend the program under the supervision of assistant principal Erik Gray, while the University of Maine at Orono will be represented in the program by Susan Pinette and Lisa Michaud of the Franco-American Centre.

Colonel Dubay and his wife, Gail Schnepf Dubay, live in North Carolina and visit Maine frequently.

"Our volunteer board worked collaboratively with Lewiston Auburn College and dozens of veterans to collect the data we are including in our community program," said Doris Bonnaeu, president of the Franco-American Collection's board of directors. "We consider this program to be a capstone event to review the highlights of our collective efforts." For more information about the event, call 753-6545 or email janet.roberts@maine.edu.

Weekend Country Jamboree coming June 2-3

The Maine Country Music Association will present its 22nd annual Weekend Country Jamboree at the Hebron Pines Campground on June 2 and 3. The event offers a weekend of live country music by popular Maine musicians and bands.

Event goers will dance Friday and Saturday nights away to a mix of traditional country, oldies, and classic rock by the Lost &

Found Band from 7 to 10 p.m. There will be music all day Saturday from noon to 7 p.m. with a variety of Maine's most talented musicians, including Ernie Doughty, Brian Plato, Buzz and Kathy Vanadestine, Jim and Renee Fraser, Bob Heller and BJ Cross, Rock 'n Country, the Bither Brook Band, and Gary Leet & the Country Drifters. A baked bean supper will be served from 5 to 6 p.m. for \$6 per

person. There will be 50/50 and other raffles and concessions will be available all weekend.

Daily admission is \$6 per person. Camping is available at reasonable rates. Hebron Pines Campground is located at 430 Buckfield Road in Hebron. For more information about the event, call Lorri at 966-2771. To reserve a campsite, call Dale or Cindy at Hebron Pines at 740-2179.

Model Railroad Club hosts Hobo Holiday



Tami and Mike Paine of Lewiston stand on the fishing bridge wearing their special Hobo Holiday outfits. This year's event takes place Saturday, May 20.

The Great Falls Model Railroad Club will host its sixth annual Hobo Holiday on Saturday, May 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the club's building at 144 Mill Street in Auburn. Those attending are welcome to dress like a hobo or railroad engineer for this fun family fun event featuring trains and railroad games.

Hobo Holiday is an opportunity to learn about an interesting aspect of railroad history. Hobo symbols explained in a handout will lead participants on a scavenger hunt through the two-story building, including its library and three permanent operating layouts. Everyone will have a chance to sample hobo stew, made by Hobo Chef Jerry Johnston. Younger children will enjoy the Thomas the Tank Engine layout in the G-scale room and playing with the special Brio layout and other age-appropriate trains.

Older children can be Guest Engineers on the club's permanent HO layout downstairs. Games for children of all ages will include Hoop a Caboose, Roundhouse

Roulette, and fishing for prizes in a special fish pond. Those who correctly answer all the questions on a Railroad Safety Quiz may enter their names for a free drawing for a gift certificate from Governor's Restaurant or a chance to ride one of Maine's participating tourist railroads.

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Out & About with Rachel Morin

Celebrating Joel Goodman's 90th birthday



Rabbi Sruli Dresdner and his wife, Lisa Mayer



Steve, Wayne, Joel and Ken Goodman Family at the 90th birthday celebration of Joel, their Dad, at Temple Shalom in Auburn.



Mike Gagne with his famous Kugel (noodle pudding)

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

Joel Goodman of Auburn was honored at a daylong Celebration of

his 90th Birthday at Temple Shalom in Auburn. His three sons, Wayne, Ken and Steve Goodman arranged for the May 6 gathering for

close to a hundred friends and family members.

The day started with a Shabbat Service conducted by Rabbi Sruli Dresdner with Joel participating

by reading from the Torah. Many members of the Temple also shared in portions of the Service.

Following the Service, guests gathered in the Social Hall for luncheon, reminiscing and sharing good natured stories about the guest of honor.

Mike Gagne, who prepared the luncheon with a wide variety of tasty dishes, including the traditional bagels and lox, served his famous Kugel (noodle pudding) and was assisted by his staff.

Wayne Goodman gave a toast honoring his father, for his enjoyment of 90



Windows in the Sanctuary at Temple Shalom

years of good health and outstanding good works for family, synagogue and community. Joel addressed the crowd, expressing his

surprise that so many attended and thanking them for coming.

He also mentioned the many goodwill messages from people out of state who were unable to be present.

Following the meal, Mike lit the birthday candles on the colorful cake depicting Joel's head and shoulders picture. Guests gathered around for photos, cheers and applause.

Joel, who winters in Florida, observed his true birthday on February 28 with his Florida friends. His sons chose the May date, when he returned to Maine in the spring.

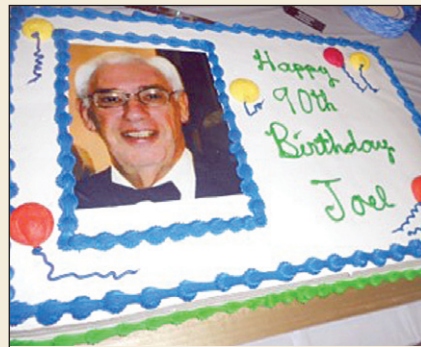
Joel's name is readily recognized with the family business, Goodman Wiper & Paper. His license plate says Wiper. Joel's father, Wilfred, the youngest of 10 children, started the business in 1937 on Mill St. in New Auburn where it remains, to this day.

Joel graduated from Edward Little High School and furthered his education at the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York graduating in 1948 as a third mate. He was set to serve the U.S. Navy as an Ensign, but the unexpected death of his father a few weeks before his graduation, had him returning home to operate the business with his mother.

With Joel's retirement several years ago, the Goodman Family Business is now in the



Mike and Babs Shapiro--Babs is Joel's younger sister.



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third generation with Joel's sons, Ken and Steve, the owners. Wayne had his own business in Portland and has since retired. Joel still comes in on a daily basis to the Mill St. location. The sons are happy to have him in the office.

Over the years, Joel has kept busy with his involvement in Lewiston Auburn Community Little Theatre. He served on the Board of Directors as President during the theater's 25th Anniversary year. For the past dozen or more years, he is active in the Androscoggin Readers Theater and has authored some of their scripts. ART has a spring and a fall season visiting homes for the elderly and performing for them. He is a long time member of Lewiston Auburn Senior College taking classes and participating in the events there.

But you might say Joel's interests and his heart are most firmly entrenched in his family and Jewish Faith. He was on the building committee for Temple Shalom and was chairman for the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony.

At one time he



Sheri Olstein, Candy Platz, Judy Abromson and Elinor Goldblatt



Columnist and Joel Goodman

served as President of the State of Maine B'nai B'rith and active in the Lewiston Jewish Community Center.

Joel is a dedicated supporter of Temple Shalom and participates in just about every activity there.



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Wayne Goodman proposes a loving toast to his Dad, far right.

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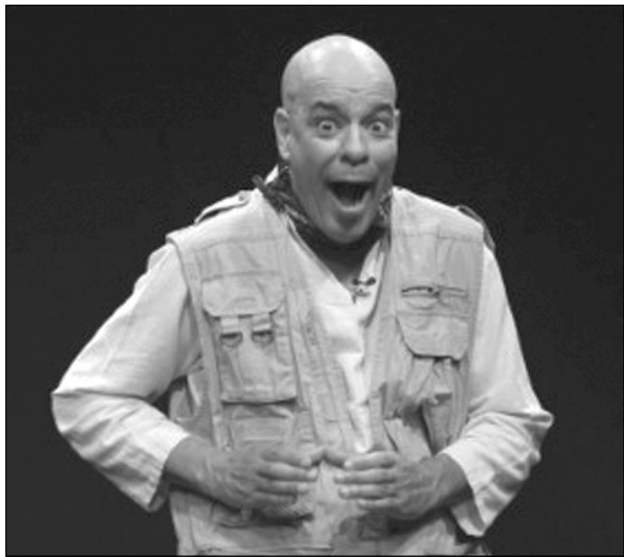
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Storyteller brings children's program to Public Theatre



Antonio Rocha will present "Chickens and Crocodiles," a collection of silly children's stories from around the world, in three performances starting Sunday, May 21.

Acclaimed international storyteller Antonio Rocha will present "Chickens and Crocodiles," a collection of silly children's stories from around the world, beginning Sunday, May 21 at the Public Theatre in Lewiston.

Transforming himself into a chicken, a crocodile and even a gorilla before your eyes, Rocha's unique skills, coupled with joyful audience participation, will delight and amaze young theater-goers ages 4 to 10 years old and their families.

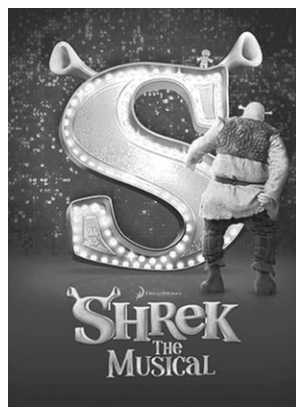
Antonio Rocha has toured six continents with his fun-filled array of stories. A native of Brazil, he received a Partners of the Americas grant to come to the USA to perform and deepen his mime skills with Masters Tony Montanaro and Marcel Marceau. Rocha has presented his mesmerizing solo shows of stories and mime from Singapore to Vancouver and many places in between.

Giving young children several options to attend, including after school, performances will take place on Sunday, May 21 at 2 p.m., Tuesday, May 23 at 4

CLT schedules auditions for "Shrek: The Musical"

Shrek the Musical is coming to Lewiston Auburn Community Little Theatre in August! Performance dates August 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20. The music is by Jeanine Tesori and lyrics and book by David Lindsay-Abaire.

Directors John Blanchette and Christopher Hodgkin have been preparing for Adult auditions on Friday, May 26 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, May 28 at 6 p.m. The Kids only audition will be Sunday, May 28 at 1 p.m. Call backs, if needed, will be Monday, May 29 at 6 p.m. Steve Barter is music director with Lacey Moise as choreographer. Brandon Chaloux is



producer. Auditions will be held at Lewiston Auburn Community Little Theatre at 30 Academy St., Auburn.

A brief synopsis of the popular musical: "Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek.... And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and over a dozen other fairy tale misfits and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Luckily, there's one on hand... and his name is Shrek!"

The cast of characters is large. This show presents a great opportunity for actors to shine. The directors are looking for people to play larger than life. These are fairytale characters and we want them played big! We are looking for accent work (Shrek) and/or interesting comic voices to enhance the fairytale feeling.

There will be three parts to the audition, vocal, choreography, and dialogue. Participation in all three parts is a

must to be cast in a role! Just a note for parents of younger potential cast members: there is a bit of crude (immature) humor in this production. There is no swearing, but there is some innuendo and a small amount of crass language.

Please prepare a verse and a chorus of a song in the style of the show. An accompanist will be provided. The Shrek score will be available for those wanting to sing a song from the show. If you are singing a song from another show, you are responsible for providing your own sheet music. No prerecorded music or acapella music will be accepted. Music auditions will be closed.

Time will be allotted for changing into appropriate dance attire for the choreography section. Dance or jazz shoes are suggested, but not required. Please, no jeans or open-toed shoes.

The production calls for a huge cast. Roles include Shrek, Lord Farquaad, Fiona, Donkey, Dragon, Pinocchio, Gingy, Young Fiona, Teen Fiona and Ogre parents. Many additional roles, adding to the importance and flow of the story, comprise the ensemble. For detailed information on roles, character description and requirements, please access the CLT website at www.laolt.com. The directors are available for any questions you may have. So please contact John Blanchette at sirthspian@aol.com or Christopher Hodgkin at chodgkin08@yahoo.com.

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Museum L-A extends Bates bedspread exhibit as new acquisitions added



This "Woolly Lamb" bed cover is a family heirloom donated to the museum recently by Martica Sawin, daughter of Herman Ruhm, who was president of Bates Manufacturing in the 1940s.

In response to a request from the Costume Society of America, which is holding its national conference in Portland this year, Museum L-A has extended its current exhibit, "Covering the Nation: The Art of the Bates Bedspread" until May 31. The exhibit highlights the work of the talented team of Bates Mill designers, who combined their knowledge of contemporary and historic design with their keen understanding of the mill's production processes to create designs that would be enjoyed across the country and around the world.

The extension also gives the museum an opportunity to display some recent acquisitions that are relevant to the exhibit.

One is a child's woven bed cover in pale green featuring a "Woolly Lamb" design that was donated to the Museum by Martica Sawin of New York. While visiting the museum, Sawin was amazed to find the story of her father, Herman Ruhm, who was President of Bates Manufacturing in the 1940s, included in the exhibit. Ruhm brought the "Woolly Lamb" bed cover home for Sawin when she was a child, and all her children and grandchildren have since slept under it. While sad to part the family heirloom, Sawin and her

daughters felt that it belonged in the museum and recently traveled to Maine together to donate it.

Another new and important addition is a copy of "Travelogue," a 1936 Bates salesman's folding catalogue featuring designs inspired by "research in the four corners of the world." The catalog proudly displays 23 of the company's newest creations of the time, reflecting the genius of Bates designers and characterizing the company's finest work at its prime.

Also new to the exhibit is a well-worn, peach-colored "Farm Landscape" bedspread, donated by Patricia Morton of Lewiston, along with a photograph of her playing on the bedcover as a child in the 1950s; and a black and white, floral, double-weave novelty textured yarn design bedspread on loan from a donor in Maryland.

Admission is free of charge. Located in the Bates Mill Complex at 35 Canal Street in Lewiston, Museum L-A is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the first Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and by appointment. For more information or to schedule a tour, contact Robert at 333-3881 or rcaron@museumla.org.

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Twin City Nights

CLT announces cast for "Prelude to a Kiss"



The cast includes (l. to r., from front) David Marshall, Shirley Bernier, Mark Hazard, Kathy Demers, James McKinley, Chris Hodgkin, Michelle Martin, Ryan Adair and Tracy Draper.

Director Eileen M. Messina has announced the cast and crew for the upcoming Community Little Theater production of the romantic comedy "Prelude to a Kiss."

The play tells the story of a young couple - Peter, idealistic and romantic, and Rita, a bit wild and unpredictable - who fall in love and marry. After they exchange vows, an unknown elderly man asks to kiss the bride. When he does, something magical happens and Peter discovers that the soul of his new wife now inhabits the body of the old man and vice versa. Back from the honeymoon, he realizes

he must find the old man and try to switch them back. The quest tests the strength of their love and commitment to each other.

Written in the late 1980s and widely considered to be an allegory about the AIDS epidemic, the play is at heart a romance about falling in love, getting married, and what happens when the person you married somehow changes, whether through age, appearance or illness.

The play is narrated by the bridegroom, Peter, played by Ryan Adair. His wife, Rita, is played by new-

comer Michelle Martin, and the mysterious Old Man is played by CLT stage veteran Mark Hazard. Other cast members include longtime CLT members Shirley Bernier and David Marshall as Rita's parents; Christopher Hodgkin as Taylor, Peter's friend and Best Man; James McKinley as Uncle Fred and Kathy Demers as Aunt Dorothy; Tracy Draper as Leah; Mitch Thomas as the minister; and Tyler Pulk as Tom.

Show dates are June 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 at 7:30 p.m. and June 11 and 18 at 2 p.m. For ticket information, see www.laclt.com.

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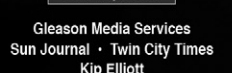
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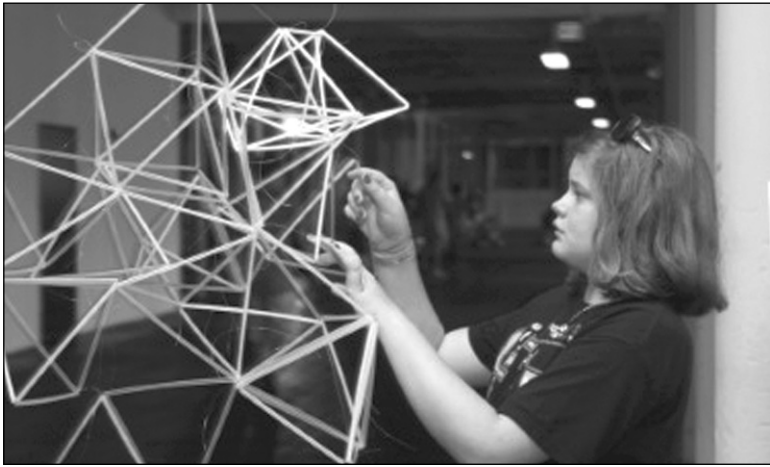
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Twin City Nights

Maine Innovation Expo this weekend



Those attending the first Maine Innovation Expo on Saturday, May 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Museum L-A can expect to see interactive displays and demonstrations by the Landing School of Boat Building and Design, Alternative Manufacturing, the Maine Drones Society, Healthy Homeworks, Rancourt & Company Shoecrafters, and many other Maine organizations, artists, and students. The event is free and open to the public. The museum is located at 35 Canal Street in Lewiston and free parking is available in the Canal Street, Chestnut Street, and Lincoln Street parking garages. For more information, call 333-3881.

Uptown Cruizahs kick off cruise nights



Bring the family for a weekly stroll down memory lane while enjoying good food and fine music by Red Wing.

The Uptown Cruizahs Car Club will host their first cruise night of the season on Monday, May 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Tractor Supply on Route 26 in Oxford. Cruise nights will

take place each Monday weather permitting, so bring the whole family for a stroll down memory lane while enjoying good food and fine music by Red Wing. Proceeds from their weekly cruise nights and annual Antique Cars Show on August 6 at New Balance will benefit local charities, including the Maine Veterans' Home activities fund and Santa Visits Oxford. For more information, call Les Wing at 890-0870 or Dan Tripp at 890-8778.

"Faustina, Messenger of Divine Mercy" coming to Lewiston, Yarmouth



Actress Maria Vargo presents this one-woman drama about the life of Saint Faustina Kowalska.

Saint Luke Productions' "Faustina, Messenger of Divine Mercy," a one-woman drama based on the diary of Saint Faustina Kowalska, will be presented this week at locations in Yarmouth and Lewiston. Featuring actress Maria Vargo, the play explores the life and spirit of a Catholic Saint whose personal encounters with Jesus have inspired a worldwide zeal for Christ's Divine Mercy. The Lewiston performance at the Gendron Franco Center is sponsored by Immaculate Heart of Mary and Prince of Peace Parishes

As part of the presentation, modern stories within the drama offer audiences a personal connection to moral issues in our times and illustrate the importance of healing and forgiveness. The production runs ninety minutes and is suitable for ages 13 and older. To view a trailer, see www.stlukeproductions.com.

The play will be presented in Yarmouth on Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church at 326 Main Street. Tickets are \$10. For more information or to buy tickets, call 847-6890.

The play will be presented in Lewiston on Wednesday, May 24 at 7 p.m. at the Gendron Franco Center at 46 Cedar Street. Tickets are \$12 for adults,

\$10 for seniors, and \$6 for those ages 13 to 18). For more information or to buy tickets, call 782-8096.

Saint Faustina Kowalska was born Helena Kowalska in 1905 into a large peasant family in Poland. Destined to be a housekeeper with no education or prospects, she longed for God and, inspired by a vision of Jesus, became a nun with the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, taking the name Sister Faustina Kowalska.

In 1930, she began to see mystical visions. Jesus appeared to her in a white garment, with rays of white and red emanating from His heart. He asked her to paint His image, with the message, "Jesus, I trust in You" across the bottom. That was the beginning of a mission that took years to develop into a powerful devotion for the Church - the Divine Mercy.

Jesus continued to speak through Sister Faustina with an urgent message for our times. He gave her a special prayer, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which spread throughout the world. Faustina continued to keep a diary of her visions until she died of tuberculosis in 1938.

Pope John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter as Mercy Sunday, and in April 2000, Faustina Kow-

alska was declared the first saint of the 21st Century.

Maria Vargo is a Hollywood-based actress and a member of the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television & Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA), Actors' Equity, and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers. Her résumé includes numerous roles in film, television, and theater, in addition to work as an artistic director and producer. Aside from her work on stage and screen, she has been a singer, songwriter, and voice teacher for actors.

For over three decades, Saint Luke Productions has produced live dramas, feature films, and television, radio, and web programming on the lives of the saints and scriptures. Bringing quality professional productions to communities across the country, they meet people where they live with performances featuring talented actors, theatrical lighting, sets, video imagery, and original musical scores.

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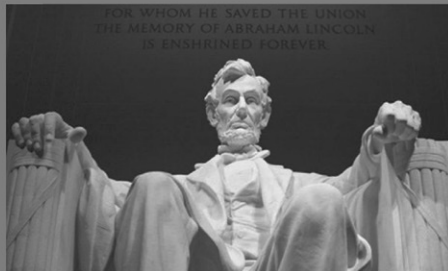
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Thursday, May 18

Great Falls Forum. Noon to 1 p.m. Callahan Hall, Lewiston Public Library. Nancy McBrady of the Maine Wild Blueberry Commission discusses “Understanding Maine’s Wild Blueberry Heritage, Industry, and Economy.” Q-&A follows. Free. Bring your bag lunch. 513-3135.

Veterans’ Lives Series. 6 p.m. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. Richard Rubin, author of “The Last of the Doughboys,” shares from his interviews with WWI veterans. Free. 333-6640; www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.

Friday, May 19

French Sing-Along. 1:30 p.m. Rm. 170, L-A College, 51 Westminster St., Lewiston. Les Troubadours lead the singing of local Franco-American favorites. Everyone welcome; songbooks provided. Free. 576-4109.

Concert: Maine-ly Harmony. 2 and 7 p.m. Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Rd., Greene. With members hailing from Bangor to Auburn, this group sings barbershop-style four-part harmony. Free. 946-5311; sawyer-foundation.com.

Concert: Ozere. 7:30 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. This Toronto-based band combines Celtic music with various other styles and traditions. \$15 in adv., \$18 at door. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

Comedian Bob Marley. 8 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. The popular funnyman makes a return visit to Lewiston. Doors open at 6:30. \$27.50. 689-2000; francocenter.org.

Saturday, May 20

Stanton Bird Club Field Trip. 7:30 a.m. to noon. Dan Marquis leads this Leaders Choice walk to where the most interesting birds are being sighted. Meet for carpooling at Promenade Mall parking lot, near Staples, in Lewiston. Free; all welcome. 513-8213.

Indoor Yard Sale. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Universalist Church, Route 117, Turner Center (across from Gazebo). Pres. by the Turner Center Universalist Ladies Circle.

Plant Sale. Historical Society, 45 Main St., Freeport. Member’s Preview 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; open to all 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Includes Garden Tools Flea Market, bake sale. Benefits the gardens at Freeport Hist. Soc.

Indoor Yard Sale. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. High St. Congregational Church, 106 Pleasant St., Auburn. All items priced to sell; coffee, refreshments avail. for purchase. Proceeds benefit parish guild. 784-1306.

Children’s Fishing Derby & Casting Competition. 9 a.m. to noon. Sportsmen’s Club, 2782 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Open to kids

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ages 5-15. For details and complete rules, see www.LitchfieldSportsmensClub.com.

League of Women Voters Convention. 9 a.m. Curtis Memorial Library, 23 Pleasant St., Brunswick. This all-day event explores political polarization and “fake news” through forums and speakers. \$30, incl. lunch. Register at www.lwvme.org/Convention.html.

Hobo Holiday. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Great Falls Model Railroad Club, 144 Mill St., Auburn. Enjoy hobo and train-related games and activities for the whole family. \$3 (kids ages 12- free). www.greatfallsmodelrrclub.org.

Maine Innovation Expo. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Museum L-A, 35 Canal St., Bates Mill Complex, Lewiston. Features interactive exhibits created by businesses and students to showcase innovative processes. Free. 333-3881.

Office Hours. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Couture Room, Lewiston Public Library. Lewiston’s state legislative delegation, Sen. Nate Libby and Reps. Jared Golden, Heidi Brooks, James Handy and Roger Fuller, answer questions about state government matters for Lewiston residents.

Saturday at Maine Wildlife Park. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 56 Game Farm Rd., Gray. A Maine Forest Service ranger displays firefighting gear; Smokey Bear visits from noon to 12:30; the Maine Nordmenn share aspects of Scandinavian culture. \$7.50/5.50. 657-4977; www.mainewildlifepark.com.

Turkey Supper. 5 to 6 p.m. Youth Center, Pond Rd., Rte. 132 Wales. Includes vegetables, potato, stuffing, beverages and pies; everyone welcome. Pres. by the Wales Presbyterian Women. 375-8382; 375-6604.

“Songs of Carole King & James Taylor.” 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. The MMS Chorale performs energizing arrangements of songs by these beloved artists. Again 5/21 at 3 p.m. \$20/18/10. 333-3386; www.mainemusicsociety.org.

Sunday, May 21

Stanton Bird Club Field Trip. 7:30 to 11 a.m. Stan DeOrsey leads this trip to multiple locations in search of warblers. Meet for carpooling outside JCPenny in Auburn. All welcome. Free. 406-4741.

“Chickens and Crocodiles.” 2 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. Storyteller Antonio Rocha presents silly stories for kids ages 4-10.

Again 5/23 (4 p.m.) and 5/24 (9:30 a.m.) Kids \$5, adults \$10. 782-3200; the-publictheatre.org.

Tuesday, May 23

Stanton Bird Club Walk. 6 to 8:30 a.m. Steve Reed leads this walk from the front of Hathorn Hall on the Bates College campus to Riverside Cemetery and back. Free. 319-6630.

Franco American Veterans Project. 5 to 7:30 p.m. Franco-American Collection, Lewiston-Auburn College, 51 Westminster St., Lewiston. An exhibit, reception, and program called “Franco-Americans: A Bridge to International Diplomacy” spotlight stories and memorabilia contributed to the project by local Franco Americans. Free. 753-6545; janet.roberts@maine.edu.

Andro. Historical Soc. Annual Meeting. 5:30 p.m. Marco’s Restaurant, 12 Mollison Way, Lewiston. Following dinner at 6:30, Prof. Joseph Hall of Bates College discusses “What Does ‘Androscoggin’ Mean?” \$25. Reserve by Friday, May 19. 784-0586.

Author Visit. 6:30 p.m. Bailey Public Library, 39 Bowdoin St., Winthrop. Douglas Rooks reads from his biography “Statesman: George Mitchell and the Art of the Possible.” Free. 377-8673.

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Thursday, May 25

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m.

Ramada Inn, Lewiston. The guest speaker is Misty Parker, economic development specialist for the City of Lewiston. No reservation required; lunch avail. at Fusion Restaurant for \$10. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Veterans’ Lives Series.

6 p.m. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. Dr. Elizabeth Bischof of USM discusses her work recording images of Maine’s WWI memorials for an interactive map and website. Free. 333-6640; www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.

Friday, May 26

Lincoln Day Celebration. 6 p.m. Royal Oak Room, 1 Bates St., Lewiston. Reception, speakers, auction, cash bar, then dancing to the Moon Dawgs at 7:30; covered courtyard for quieter mingling. Pres. by Andro. County Republican Comm. \$50. www.eventbrite.com.

Saturday, May 27

Memorial Day Parade. 9:30. Departs from Kennedy Park in downtown Lewiston and ends at Veterans Memorial Park on Main St.; ceremony follows.

Memorial Day Ceremony. 10:30. Veterans Memorial Park, Main St., Lewiston. Military veterans and local dignitaries unveil the park’s 29th Name Stone.

Baked Bean Supper. 4:30 to 6 p.m. Sixth St. Congregational Church, 109 Sixth St., Auburn. Two kinds of beans, brown bread, coleslaw, red and brown hot dogs, American Chop Suey, desserts, beverages. All welcome. Take-out avail. \$6 adults, \$3 kids 5-12, under 5 free.

Sunday, May 28

Sunday Art Workshop. 2 to 4 p.m. Harlow Gallery, 160 Water St., Hallowell. Heather Rose leads “Art of the Harvest.” Open to all experience levels, ages 10+. \$30 (members \$25), plus \$10 materials fee. Register at 622-3813, <http://harlow-gallery.org>.

Monday, May 29

Memorial Day 5K Run-Walk. 8 a.m. American Legion Post 135, Island Rd. (off Main St.), Sabattus. Registration is on-site only and begins at 7 a.m. Awards, raffles. \$20/15. Parade follows.

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Friday, June 2

Weekend Country Jamboree. 7 p.m. Hebron Pines Campground, 430 Buckfield Rd., Hebron. The Maine Country Music Assoc. presents some of Maine’s favorite country musicians and bands; raffles, concessions. Cont. all day Sat. \$6/day. 966-2771; to camp, call 740-2179.

Saturday, June 3

5K Walk-Run to End Domestic Violence. Lewiston. Register as a 5k runner, 5k walker, or 1-mile walker and raise pledges to support Safe Voices. For details, see www.safevoices.org.

Monday, June 5

Blood Drive. 2 to 7 p.m. Parish Hall, Holy Trinity Church, 67 Frost Hill Ave., Lisbon Falls. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 2358. For an appointment, call 733-2767 or 1-800-RED CROSS.

Friday, June 9

Theater: “Prelude to a Kiss.” 7:30 p.m. Great Falls Performing Arts Center, 30 Academy St., Auburn. Community Little Theatre presents this romantic fantasy about what happens when the person you love somehow changes. Again 6/10, 11, 15, 16, 17 and 18 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). For ticket info, see www.laclt.com.

Saturday, June 10

Camp Dragonfly. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tripp Lake Camp, Poland. Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice presents this one-day retreat for grieving children and teens. Free. Register by 5/26 at 795-9468 or amy.dulac@ahch.org.

Sunday, June 11

YMCA Fit Fest. 8:30

a.m. Festival Plaza in Auburn. This USA Track & Field-certified 5k race features chip timing, drawings, refreshments, music, and awards. \$25 adv./30 on race day. www.triplecrown5k.com.

Thursday, June 15

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Friday, July 7

Bates Dance Festival. 7:30 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, 329 College St., Lewiston. Tonight’s DanceNow program features witty and poignant new works by New England dance makers Lida Winfield and Betsy Miller / Matthew Cumbie. \$20/15/12. batesdancefestival.org.

Saturday, July 8

Bates Dance Festival. 7:30 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, 329 College St., Lewiston. Tonight’s DanceNow program takes a deep dive into the legacy of Muhammad Ali with Vermont company Christal Brown and IN-SPIRIT. \$20/15/12. batesdancefestival.org.

Tuesday, July 11

Bates Dance Festival. 7:30 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, 329 College St., Lewiston. In advance of their main-stage performances this weekend, David Dorfman Dance presents this Show & Tell discussing their creative process. Free. 786-6161.

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