

Basilica kicks off Summer Concert Series with VoXX



This auditioned a cappella vocal ensemble presents a program called "Where There is Love..." on Friday, June 23.

The Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul will launch its 2017 Summer Concert Series with a performance by VoXX: Voice of Twenty on Friday, June 23 at 7:30 p.m.

As usual, this audi-

tioned, mid-coast a cappella vocal ensemble will sing in various configurations, from duet to small ensemble to full group. They will present a program called "Where There is Love..." featuring both sacred and secular

music exploring that most human of emotions. Early works by Monteverdi, Victoria, Weelkes, and Wilbye will contrast with contemporary pieces, including two iterations of "Ubi Caritas" See *Basilica*, page 4

AHCH receives national recognition

Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice has been named a Top Agency of the 2016 HomeCare Elite, signifying the agency as one of the top performers in home health in the United States. AHCH has earned this distinction for four consecutive years.

For more than 10

years, HomeCare Elite has annually identified the top 25 percent of Medicare-certified agencies. It also highlights the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall. The ranking is developed by ABILITY Network, a leading information technology company that helps providers and payers simplify the

administrative and clinical complexities of healthcare; and sponsored by DecisionHealth, publisher of "Home Health Line," "The Complete Home Health IC-D-10-CM Diagnosis Coding Manual," and "The Home Health Coding Center."

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B2B Tradeshow held at Colisée in Lewiston



Becky Conrad of Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber and Paul Anderson of Androscoggin Bank. The Business to Business Tradeshow finished up with the L-A Metro Chamber after hours at the Androscoggin Bank Colisee in Lewiston. A new grill was presented as a door prize provided by Androscoggin Bank. Photos by Tom Watson of Twin City Times.



Danielle Eaton, Amy Jose and Kelly David of Spectrum Healthcare Partners at the Business to Business Tradeshow. See more photos on pages 7-8 and on facebook.com/TwinCityTimes.

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

New president to address Rotary Club



Monica Millhime will share her vision for the club's upcoming year.

At the next meeting of the L-A Rotary Club on Thursday, June 29 at noon at the Ramada Inn of Lewiston, incoming president Monica Millhime will share her vision for the club's next year. Her agenda for the year includes a new venue, grant requests, community service projects, ideas for membership drives, fellowship connections, tiki-time events and more.

Millhime's corporate connections began as a Graphic Designer at the Sun Journal. As the Advertising Manager-Department Head she was an integral part of the SJ Diversification Team, serving as the New Media Director for Explore Maine; Vice President of Sales-Marketing for Northeast Data Solutions; and Franchise Dealer for Val-Pak of Maine. Prior to her departure from the SJ to complete a degree in education, Millhime was Maine's first woman President for the New England Newspaper Advertising Executive Association.

She was a Substitute Teacher in Lisbon and transitioned to the district-wide Community Resource Coordinator position facilitating marketing, grant writing, and advisor capacities for

students with yearbooks and co-curricular programs. She currently covers five counties for Western Maine Community Action, at the Lewiston CareerCenter, as an Employment and Training Business Specialist, developing and coordinating employer-driven projects with Ready2Work and on-the-job training programs. Millhime has been a Rotarian for over 20 years and is a Paul Harris Fellow. She resides in Durham with her husband, Jim.

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 Millhime at 753-9040 or mmillhime@wmca.org.

Marine Corp. League honors Neokraft Signs



Neokraft Signs received a pleasant surprise recently: a Certificate of Appreciation from the Central Maine Marine Corp. League, recognizing the company for "Loyalty and Patriotism to our Country as exemplified by Publicly and Proudly Displaying the United States Flag." The flags, each measuring 12 feet high by 21 feet wide, with the "Pledge of Allegiance" printed in the white banners, cover two exterior walls of the building. Pictured here are Mike Mathieu of Neokraft Signs, flanked by Raymond Masse and Clifford Plourde of the Central Maine Marine Corps League.

CMCC Machining students earn Haas Scholarships



Among the second-year students who earned a scholarship for the preceding year are (from l.) Dane Wheeler of Hartland; Scott McCrossin of Caribou; Greg Poulin of Jackman; Bob Marquis of Litchfield; and Scott Maclean of Beverly, MA. Wheeler, McCrossin (with honors), and Poulin graduated from the program this spring.

Almost 20 students in the Precision Machining Technology Program at Central Maine Community College were awarded Gene Haas Foundation scholarships totaling over \$32,000 for the academic year just

completed. Founded in 1999, the Gene Haas Foundation is dedicated to supporting education programs that prepare students for manufacturing careers by providing scholarships for machinist training.

The Precision Machining Technology program at CMCC, one of the largest in the Northeastern U.S., offers a two-year associate in applied science degree and a one-year certificate. Students are trained in conventional and CNC machining. Graduates of the program are employed as machine operators, CNC machinists, tool and die makers, quality control inspectors, machine assemblers, machine tool designers, CNC programmers or field service representatives.

Area residents graduate from Colby College

The following area residents were among the 478 seniors who graduated from Colby College in Waterville recently, receiving bachelor of arts degrees at the college's 196th Commencement. Former Vice President Joe Biden was the guest speaker.

Alyssa S. Andrews, who majored in sociology, attended Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School and is the daughter of Jeffrey and Roberta Andrews of Norway.

Lauren Barnhart, who majored in biology, attended Worthington Kil-

Moore Park Art Show names 2017 poster artist



The poster art for this year's event will be a brightly-painted "barn quilt" square designed and created by South Paris artist Jackie Lynch.

The Moore Park Art Show has selected South Paris resident, crafter and volunteer Jackie Lynch as the 2017 poster artist for the eighth annual event, which will take place on Sunday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A brightly-painted "barn quilt" square that she designed and created will be the featured poster art.

Lynch's popular creations mainly feature durable painted canvas, which she crafts into floor cloths, table runners, and place mats. She also makes what she calls "barn quilts," large squares of wood painted with traditional quilt patterns that can be displayed in- or outside and happen to look striking on the side of a building.

Lynch started her journey into the world of functional painted canvas around 30 years ago when she saw

some floor cloths in a magazine. Since there was no Google at the time, she had to be clever to find information to educate herself on the techniques involved. She found her first book on the subject at Sturbridge Village and then started collecting any book she could find on the subject. Within five years, she launched a business to sell her work. Today she sells her work to people from all parts of Maine and beyond as a member of Made in Maine.

Inspired by nature and traditional designs, such as those of Rufus Porter and Moses Eaton, her pieces are accomplished through both stenciling and free-hand painting. Her work can be viewed at the Birch Canoe in Casco, by appointment at her home studio where she teaches classes in fall and winter, or online at crafter-scottageofmaine.vpweb.com.

Moore Park Art Show is presented each year by the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Town of Paris. Booth fees are \$65 for one exhibitor in one 10'x10' booth or \$40 each for multiple artists. For more information, call Director Aranka Matolcsy at 890-6386. To apply for a booth, see www.mooreparkartshow.biz.

Community School and is the daughter of John and Patricia Morris of New Gloucester.

Ryan M. Salerno, who majored in computer science, attended North Yarmouth Academy and is the son of Michael and Roberta Salerno of Brunswick.



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Governor's Address: Democrats' insistence on surtax will harm our small businesses

Politicians in Augusta need to escape the bubble and listen to Maine's small business owners. They don't want to be over-taxed so their money can fund an already bloated education system.

Dear Maine Taxpayer,

A survey of small Maine businesses reported that more than 77 percent of small-business owners want to eliminate the 3 percent surtax imposed by referendum last November.

This job-killing surtax is already affecting our small businesses. 68 percent of small-business owners said the surtax will result in less money for them to invest in workers.

Over 19 percent of them said the surtax will make it more difficult to hire or retain high-skill workers.

These high-skill workers include doctors, dentists, engineers, lawyers, accountants and other professionals. Many are preparing to leave the state, and some have already left. Recruiters say this surtax is making it more difficult to attract these much-needed professionals to Maine.

Sadly, this is all unnecessary. Maine spends plenty of money on education. More than two-thirds of Maine small businesses agree. They say our public schools are a "costly, inefficient system with too much administrative overhead."

And they're right. It is inexcusable that we have 148 superintendents for only 177,000 students.

In the last decade, we've increased spending on education by 27 percent—but student enrollment has dropped nearly 12 percent. The state already funds more than one billion dollars for our schools, and now Democrats are demanding hundreds of millions of dollars more.

A majority of small-business owners believe that any additional funding for education must include cost-saving reforms like the kind that my administration has been discussing with the legislature for several years now.

59 percent of Maine small businesses say "we should expect better results for what we spend" on education. But we all know Democrats don't listen to small business owners.

Democrats are in the pocket of the teacher's union and the Maine People's Alliance, two organizations that want Maine to have the highest income tax rate in the country for income under \$1 million.

Small businesses are the lifeblood of the Maine economy. It is unconscionable that Democrats in Augusta continue to promote policies that harm small businesses and hardworking Mainers.

They say they want to tax the rich. But 80 percent of Maine's small businesses employ 19 or fewer employees. They are not rich.

The Legislature is still struggling to pass a budget that will avoid a state government shutdown. I am extremely discouraged by the *laissez faire* attitude of leadership in the Legislature. More importantly, I am truly shocked and saddened at the lack of appreciation our legislative leaders have for Maine small businesses.

I submitted a budget in January that protects Maine small businesses, reduces income taxes and restrains government spending. I call on the Legislature to do the same. I urge you to call your legislator and join my efforts to do no harm to the State of Maine.

Thank You,
Paul R. LePage
Governor



Governor Paul R. LePage

Lewiston Construction Training Program prepares local candidates for construction work



Program graduates gather for a photo with representatives of program partners Lewiston Adult Education, Western Maine Community Action, the Lewiston Career-Center, the City of Lewiston and the John T. Gorman Foundation.

A group of Lewiston Adult Education students have gained construction and work readiness training, along with valuable work experience, thanks to a local partnership called the Lewiston Construction Training Program. Celebrating their graduation from the program at Tree Street Youth Community Center in Lewiston recently were Isaias Mulume, Farah Djireh, Abdulrazzaq Al Masoodi, Abdikani Abdulle and Hussameldin Eminire.

The program uses the Integrated Education and Training model, which features class time on construction skills training and communications, as well as 16 to 24 hours of job site work each week with local contractors H.E. Callahan, Industrial Roofing Corporation, or Hahnel Brothers. The contractors also provided guidance and feedback about the content of the curriculum.

"The curriculum includes a Work Ready component, basic math (fractions, decimals, percentages), familiarity with basic hand and power tools, and worksite safety training," said Gorman Foundation Senior Program Associate Sara Gagne-Holmes. "Successful candidates graduate from the program with work-ready OSHA 10 and RRP (lead abatement) credentials, as well as eight weeks of hands-on work experience."

All the graduates had interviews with potential employers after the ceremony. According to program instructor Jason Merritt, average wages in contracting are going up, and many veteran workers are nearing retirement age.

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Sodalist of the Year



Marie Hebert (r.) was named Sodalist of the Year by the St. Anne Sodality of Holy Family, Prince of Peace Parish of Lewiston at the group's annual meeting recently. She was honored for her devotion and contributions of time and effort to the sodality, church and community. The event took place at the Green Ladle on the Lewiston High School campus, where Louis Phillip provided the entertainment. In attendance was her husband, Robert, children, and friends. She is pictured here with vice president Claudette Jalbert.

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Meeting Two Young Mainers Who are Making a Positive Difference in Their Communities

By Sen. Susan M. Collins

One of the greatest privileges I have serving Maine in the United States Senate is the opportunity to know outstanding people from our state who have devoted part of their busy lives to community service. Whether we meet in Washington or back home, I always come away from these meetings inspired by their commitment and encouraged for the future of our state and our nation.

I recently had the opportunity to meet two such

remarkable young people - Bella Rossborough of Kennebunk and Kathleen Waelder of Yarmouth - when they were in Washington to receive 2017 Prudential Spirit of Community awards, which recognize students for exemplary community service. From nearly 31,000 nominees nationwide, only two students from each state and the District of Columbia are selected for this recognition, so it was a particular honor to meet these two young women from Maine.

Although they have

dedicated themselves to different types of civic involvement, they are united by a desire to make their communities better, to encourage others to get involved, and to grow personally from their experiences.

Bella is a 12-year-old sixth-grader at the Middle School of the Kennebunks. When she read about how plastic bags harm the environment and wildlife, she took action to reduce their use in her town.

After writing to the town manager, Bella fol-

lowed up by meeting with the Board of Selectmen. Then she began working with the Kennebunk Energy Efficiency Committee to explore ways to reduce the use of plastic bags. Joined by members of the committee, a friend, her mother, and a teacher, Bella distributed information and reusable bags at town events. She raised awareness of the issue in radio and newspaper interviews, personally visited local merchants to inform them of the benefits of reusable bags, and raised the issue with the town's Council. Bella's research, determination, and thoughtful approach truly made a difference.

Kathleen is an 18-year-old senior at Yarmouth High School. A documentary film about hungry children left her with tears in her eyes and determination in her heart.

She started by working with a local community services agency and a nonprofit organization to develop and then expand a summer meal program for at-risk children in her town, and soon was packing weekend food bags for students from low-income families for days when they do not receive school lunches.

Then she wondered how those students managed during the summer, and learned that a summer lunch program was about to start in Yarmouth. She not only stepped forward to help launch the new program, but also recruited other teens to volunteer. The program was scheduled to end three weeks before the end of summer, but Kathleen and another student worked to extend it. The next year, Kathleen became co-coordinator of the program and helped expand it to include both breakfast and lunch, as well as activities such as playing games, going

on field trips, and making friendship bracelets.

The commitment demonstrated by both girls benefit their communities today and will for years to come as the at-risk children Kathleen cares for grow into healthy adolescents and as Bella continues her efforts to improve the environment. And both benefit as well from learning the self-reliance and sense of accomplishment that come from taking on responsibilities and meeting them. As Kathleen said when she first learned about hungry children in America, her thoughts quickly turned from "How can this happen?" to "I am going to help solve this!"

Bella and Kathleen both possess great compassion and integrity, and their desire to serve others is admirable. But they are not alone. These two young Mainers exemplify the tremendous capabilities of our youth. Communities across Maine and all of America are brimming with young people making a positive difference. I see it everywhere, and it continues to reaffirm my faith in our next generation of leaders.



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and their families will listen to stories, create a holiday-themed craft, have a parade in the library and celebrate America's birthday with cake. All are welcome. To register for this special story time, call Children's Services at 333-6640, ext. 3.

Basilica

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(one by Ola Gjeilo and the other by Maurice Duruflé) and a pair of new love songs written for VoXX by Music Director John Mehrmann.

A small flock of bird songs will also be interspersed throughout the program, the strangest of which is the enigmatic "Owls" by Edward Elgar. The group will also reprise "The Bluebird," by Charles Villiers Stanford, with its soaring soprano line.

The Basilica is located at 122 Ash Street in Lewiston. Events in the Summer Concert Series are free and open to the public. Donations to restore the Basilica's historic Casavant Organ will be gratefully accepted. For more information, see www.princeofpeace.me.

AHCH

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care and the patient experience continue to underpin a rapidly evolving healthcare environment," said Christine Lang, Senior Director, Product Management, for ABILITY Network. "At the same time, tracking, measuring and interpreting data that support these efforts

is becoming more complex. The 2016 HomeCare Elite winners have demonstrated the highest-quality care in their communities, which is a remarkable achievement. We congratulate Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice on being one of the top home care agencies in the country." Winners are ranked by an analysis of publicly available performance measures in quality outcomes, implementation of practices that have been proven successful, patient experience, quality improvement, consistency and financial performance. To be considered, an agency must be Medicare-certified. It must also have data for at least one outcome in "Home Health Compare," a tool designed for consumers to use when evaluating provider quality.

"This recognition is a tribute to our hard-working staff, as well as our commitment to continuously improve the patient experience," said Kenneth Albert, AHCH's President and CEO. "Our patients have come to expect high quality, compassionate care from our agency, and we are pleased that this independent, data-driven review from a nationally respected organization shows that we continue to meet these expectations."

Enough is Enough

Dilly-dallying by Legislature has delayed the state budget

By Robert E. Macdonald
MAYOR OF LEWISTON

I hope Mainers who are paying the freight that allows the State of Maine to operate read, reflected on and absorbed last week’s article by Governor Paul R. LePage concerning Maine’s biennial budget. (“As usual, budget comes down to crunch time,” TCT, p. 3, June 15, 2017)

It is very illuminating and lays out the major problem that keeps Maine from thriving—our legislature! If you missed it, go online, pull it up and read it. It is a very worthwhile read.

Before going on, stop and think of how you arrive at and set your family household budget. Many of you follow the proven,

time-tested model used in successful business practices. You take your total earnings, review your expenses and maybe put aside a small amount that will be used in emergencies or unexpected costs down the road. If you find yourself in the “plus” column, great. If you spend more than you take in, which lands you in the “minus” column, then you must decide where to cut to maintain your daily living standards.

Back in January, the Governor, who had a long career in the business sector, promptly submitted a balanced state budget, which set a spending limit for each government department. It was up to those individuals running these



Mayor Bob Macdonald

departments to fund their programs within the parameters of the money they were allotted.

But in a Legislature filled with community organizers, non-profit executives and employees, teachers, retired government workers

and state representatives and senators who owe their seats to the aforementioned groups, trying to balance and cut the state budget is like shoveling sand against the tide.

Our brilliant legislators have their own way of crafting a state budget. To the chagrin of the Maine taxpayers, they hear the crying and wailing from those who refuse to help themselves. Then, using perimeters designed to ensure the “gimme” whiners are content, they craft a budget around the alleged needs of these groups as opposed to what taxpayers can afford.

The dilly-dallying by our Maine State Legislature, which delaying working for months on the

budget submitted by the Governor in January, could now lead to a state shut-down. I guess the Legislature wanted to make sure that their pet special interest allies had been taken care of and were content before addressing the Governor’s budget.

In cities and towns, budgets have been cobbled together and passed. In Lewiston, the budget requires the city council to meet twice a week (Tuesdays and Thursdays) over a two-month period to fashion and pass a city budget before the end of May.

At this point we have passed a budget for the City of Lewiston, but finalization will depend on the passage of Maine’s state budget. We

need to know how much revenue we will get from the state to realize where we as a city fiscally stand.

I must also note that while crafting a budget, time is spent by councilors addressing other city business.

Lastly, like the Governor, I do not believe in term limits by government fiat. Term limits are the responsibility of the individual voters. If your senator or representative is not doing the job you sent them to Augusta to do, then you can take action—vote them out of office. Your vote should be based on research of the individual, not by the commercials run on TV and radio.

Lewiston Adult Education graduates 30

Lewiston Adult Education students who persevered to get their high school certification made it through summer heat in the Lewiston High School gymnasium as they received their certificates to the sounds of cheers and applause.

The group of 30 students received their high school equivalency by successfully completing the HiSET exam though Lewiston Adult Education. The HiSET has replaced the GED in Maine, and the students received lessons and academic support to prepare.

Fatuma Hussein, executive director of the Immigrant Resource Center of Maine, was the guest speaker. She told of her journey to the United States and talked about how to tackle future challenges, which included the importance of being courageous, never losing hope and giving back. “Together we can build a better tomorrow,” she said.

Christelle Kasongo was the student speaker. A native of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, she told about some of her lessons in learning American English, especially when it came to accents. Kasongo is fluent in six languages, including French, English, Swahili, Lingala, Tshiluba and Kikongo. Lingala, Tshiluba and Kikongo are spoken in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, while Swahili is used in eastern and southern African countries.

She took time in her

speech to praise Adult Learning Center Coordinator Laurieanne Champagne and instructor Don Roux for their help. “It’s women and men like Laurie and Don in adult education who show why being a teacher is such a noble job,” Kasongo said.

Lewiston Superintendent Bill Webster spoke at the end of graduation and was the first to recognize the assembled students as graduates.



Student speaker Christelle Kasongo hugs guest speaker Fatuma Hussein of the Immigrant Resource Center of Maine. Standing at the sides are Lewiston Superintendent Bill Webster (l.) and Lewiston Adult Education Director Bill Grant.



The sign on the cap says: “The One Where -I- Graduate 2017.”

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What's Going On

Land Trust hosts second Boats 'n' Brews River Race



Over 60 paddlers piloted 50 canoes and kayaks down the Androscoggin River at last year's event.



Roughly seven miles long, the race course starts at the foot of the Great Falls and ends at the Durham Public Boat Launch. NorthEast Charter & Tour Co. will provide free shuttle service back to Auburn.

The Androscoggin Land Trust will present its second annual Great Falls Boats 'n' Brews River Race on Saturday, June 24. This amateur competitive river race will begin at 9 a.m. just below the Great Falls. Race day registration and check-in will be at Festival Plaza from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., and paddlers will enter the water at the Auburn Public Boat Launch behind Festival Plaza.

The race course is roughly seven miles long and will take paddlers through downtown Lewiston with its historic canals, past the confluence with the Little Androscoggin River, and through Dresser Rips, which are Class II or Class III rapids, depending on water levels. The race will finish at the Durham Public Boat Launch on Route 136. NorthEast Charter & Tour Co. will provide free shuttle service from the Durham Public Boat Launch back to Festival Plaza, where an awards cere-

Brewfest, taking place Saturday afternoon.

The first Boats 'n' Brews River Race last year was celebrated by over 60 paddlers who launched 50 canoes and kayaks onto the Androscoggin River. The public is invited to cheer the participants on! The start of the race can be viewed from Simard-Payne Railroad and Bonney Parks in Lewiston and Auburn. The race can also be viewed along sections of Lincoln Street in Lewiston and River Road (Rt. 136) in Auburn. For more information or to register, call 782-2302 or visit androscogginlandtrust.org.

The Androscoggin Land Trust is a membership-supported organization that, by promoting the stewardship of a network of public and privately owned lands, protects over 5,000 acres of important natural areas and traditional landscapes through nineteen towns in the Androscoggin watershed, from Jay to Lisbon.

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"Right now, the construction industry is in dire need of skilled laborers and construction workers - carpenters, plumbers, electricians... you name the trade," said Merritt, who also teaches construction trades at Lewiston Regional Technical Center. He reports that teachers at Central Maine Community College have received calls from contractors looking to make hires, and believes that if the construction industry does not find a solution to its shortage of workers, construction jobs could be outsourced to other countries.

Along with members of the graduates' families, the audience included many who helped to make the program a reality. They included contractors Brian Demshar of H.E. Callahan and John Ferland of Hahnel Brothers, as well as staff members from Western Maine Community Action, the Root Cellar, Tree Street Youth Center, Maine Immigrant and Refugee Services, the Lewiston CareerCenter, the City of Lewiston, and the John T. Gorman Foundation.



Registrants over 21 get a 15% discount for the afternoon's Great Falls Brewfest.

mony will take place around 11 a.m.

Entry fees are \$30 for a single canoe or kayak and \$40 for a double canoe or kayak. Thanks to Baxter Brewing, registrants who are over 21 can request a 15% discount code to buy tickets for the Great Falls

APL offers Summer Reading Challenge

Auburn Public Library is issuing a challenge this summer that includes books, and possibly beach chairs, sunny days, and an ice cold beverage. Adults are encouraged to grab a book, their chairs and a cold drink and read as they strive to complete the Auburn Public Library "Build a Better World" reading Bingo Challenge.

The summer reading challenge begins on June 26 and ends on August 10 at closing time. All participants need to do is come

up to the second floor and grab their Bingo entry card and complete various acts of kindness and spend some time escaping with some great books of their own choice. When a participant has completed a row on the Bingo card, they will be eligible for a prize drawing.

Auburn Public Library also offers a summer reading program for both children and teens. More information about their summer reading programs and activities can be found at www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.

Friends of Cobbossee offer Summer Day Camp



Participants in the five-day camp will enhance their relationship with the natural world through activities on Cobbossee Lake.

The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed will present a five-day Summer Nature Day Camp for children entering grades four through six next month. The two one-week sessions will take place July 17 to 21 and July 31 to August 4 at the YMCA Camp of Maine on Cobbossee Lake in East Winthrop.

Campers will enhance their relationship with the natural world as they record observations in their own nature journals; learn basic wilderness skills; participate in ecology skits, crafts and games; and explore, observe and experience the nearby ponds, forests and

fields while hiking, fishing, swimming, canoeing and kayaking. Campers will also be treated to a special session of "Tadpole Patrol" aboard the Friends 22' pontoon boat, the Otter II.

The camp runs daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The cost for each five-day session is \$230 per person, which includes lunch and an afternoon snack. Register by July 1 for only \$220. Space is limited and early registration is recommended. For more information, contact Education and Programs Director Cami Wilbert at 621-4100 or camil@watershedfriends.com.

Brunswick Downtown Assoc. to host Community BBQ

The Brunswick Downtown Association will kick off the summer with its third annual Community BBQ on Saturday, June 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Brunswick Town Mall (aka "the green"). The meal will include a choice of hamburger or two hot dogs, chips, cookie, watermelon, and a beverage. The cost will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Proceeds will help support BDA's community events throughout the year.

In addition to the BBQ, the event will feature live music by the "Uncalled Four" Barbershop Quartet from The Highlands and Emilia Dahlin, who will play American Roots music.

Fun activities and games for children will include a Bounce House provided by Pathway Vineyard Church, two active fire trucks for kids to explore provided by the Brunswick Fire Department, and face painting provided by local organizations. Sunnybrook & Avita of Brunswick will provide Corn Hole games and free gelato from Gelato Fiasco.

We Compost It! will compost all food items and any waste products, except for plastic. No seating will be provided; bring your own lawn chair or blanket for seating. For more information, call the Brunswick Downtown Association at 729-4439 or see www.brunswickdowntown.org.

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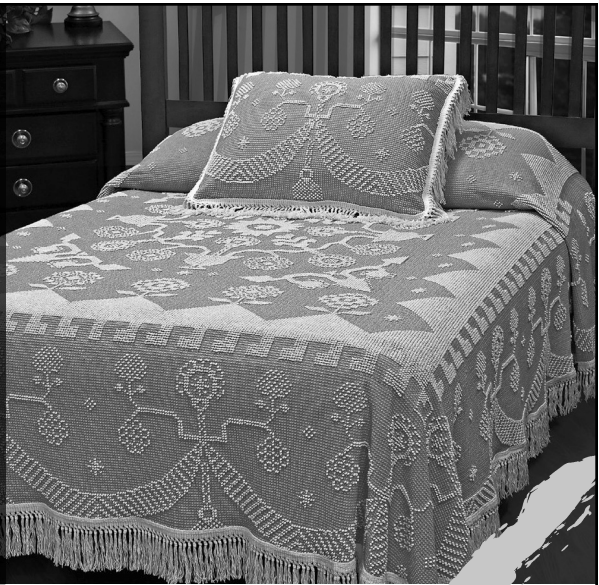
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World Refugee Day celebration at Simard Payne Memorial Park



The event will feature music and performances, craft demos, food samples, activities for children, and Catholic Charities of Maine's "Far from Home" refugee experience simulation.

This year's Lewiston-Auburn World Refugee Day celebration will take place on Thursday, June 29, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at Simard Payne Memorial Park at 46 Beech Street in Lewiston.

World Refugee Day is a global event celebrating and honoring the courage and struggles of the more than 15 million refugees worldwide who have been displaced by war and persecution. Each year, Maine welcomes refugees and asylum seekers from countries around the world and helps them safely rebuild their lives. Lewiston-Auburn has become home to refugees and asylum seekers from more than 12 countries, resulting in one of Maine's most diverse communities.

In addition to performances, games, and music, this year's L-A World Refugee Day celebration will include a job and resource fair and "Far from Home," a refugee experience simulation devised by Catholic

Charities of Maine to provide an interactive and dramatic simulation of a refugee's path to resettlement in America.

Authentic African crafts will be displayed and there will be cooking and basket-making demonstrations. Free samples of traditional dishes from Angola, Burundi, Congo, Djibouti, Iraq, Jordan, Rwanda, Somalia, Sudan and South Sudan will be offered. Activities for children will include "minute-to-win-it" challenges, soccer scrimmages, face-painting, giant bubbles, and a "Community Masterpiece" art project for young artists to share.

The event's planning committee is chaired by Fatuma Hussein, Direc-

tor of the Immigrant Resource Center of Maine, and Joel Furrow, Director of The Root Cellar | Lewiston. Committee members represent the City of Auburn, Auburn UU Theater, Bates College, Catholic Charities, Community Concepts, the City of Lewiston, Health Affiliates, the Immigrant Resource Center of Maine, the Root Cellar | Lewiston, Spurwink Services, L/A Arts and Lewiston Public Schools.

Organizers are seeking in-kind and financial donations from business sponsors and individuals. For more information about the event or how to sponsor, email laworldrefugeeday@gmail.com.

Chocolate Church announces summer schedule

Again this year, the Chocolate Church Arts Center in Bath will present a slate of summer performances that includes some ticketed shows at the center, along with a series of free

outdoor concerts in Waterfront Park.

The Django Festival All-Stars, who bring the music of the great Gypsy jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt (1910-1953) fully into the

"My Father's Dragon" opens Saturday at TAM

Each summer, Theater at Monmouth presents a play for children of all ages adapted from classic literature. For its 2017 Family Show, the theater will present Ruth Stiles Gannett's "My Father's Dragon." Adapted for the stage by producing artistic director Dawn McAndrews, this re-telling of the classic adventure story will open on Saturday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m., with additional performances, including weekday and weekend shows, scheduled throughout the season.

When Elmer Elevator hears about the plight of a poor mistreated baby dragon, he packs his knapsack and stows away on a ship headed for Wild Island. Nothing will

stop him from rescuing the dragon! With the help of two dozen pink lollipops, rubber bands, chewing gum, and a fine-toothed comb, Elmer outwits the fiercest of beasts and saves the day. The play celebrates the spontaneous and playful nature of children, young and old. Director Adam P. Blais says the production will "encourage audience members of all ages to use their imaginations, lead with their hearts, and dare to fly."

Ruth Stiles Gannett wrote "My Father's Dragon" just a few years after her graduation from Vassar College in 1944. An immediate success, it was named a Newbery Honor Book and was followed by two sequels, "Elmer and the Dragon" and "The Dragons of Blue Land." All three books have been in

print continuously for more than 70 years since their publication.

My Father's Dragon features Mackenzie Shaw as Cat/Dragon; Mike Dolan as Elmer; Emery Lawrence as Mother/Monkey; Ben Shaw as Narrator/Gorilla; and CJ Stewart as Sailor/Rhino. The set design is by Stacey Koloski, costume design by Elizabeth Rocha, with lights by Daniel Brodhead and sound by Rew Tippin.

Additional performance dates are July 9, 16, and 23, and August 1, 5, 10, 12, and 17, all at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more. For more information or to buy tickets, call the Box Office at 933-9999 or see www.theateratmonmouth.org.

Writer to sign books at Greenwood Gallery Open House

Fiction writer Judi Precopio Valentine will sign books at the Greenwood Gallery Open House on Saturday, June 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery is located at 998 Old Danville Road in Auburn. Valentine has been writing youth fiction, memoir and crime tales for several years. "The Crystal Chain," released in March by

Maine Authors Publishing, is her first novel for young readers. She has also had several short fiction writings published by PenBay Pilot of Camden, Maine.

A practicing clinical nutritionist, Valentine has published articles in health magazines and written wellness columns for newspapers in Maine, Washington

D.C. and Maryland. In 2003, she co-authored a workbook called "Weight Solutions: The New Body, Mind, Spirit Approach."

Valentine was born and grew up in Auburn. She and her husband returned to Maine in 2010 and now live in Camden. For more information, email her at jvalentinebooks@aol.com.

players of all time and the first European musician to make major contributions to the development of the jazz guitar genre. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$28 at the door.

The Sultans of String, who thrill audiences with their genre-bending fusion of Celtic reels, flamenco, Gypsy-jazz, Arabic, Cuban, and South Asian rhythms, will perform at the center on Friday, August 4 at 7:30 p.m. Local musicians the Hollowbody Electric Band and Heather Pierson will open the show. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$28 at the door.

The Southern Maine Performing Arts Collaboration will present the musical "WORKING," based on Studs Terkel's classic book of interviews with American workers, in a special one-evening engagement at

the center on Friday, August 11 at 7 p.m. Performed by high school students, the play examines how a wide variety of Americans make their living and how they feel about what they do. Tickets are \$10 advance or \$12 at the door.

Each summer, the Chocolate Church Arts Center produces the performance line-up for the annual Bath Heritage Days Festival in Downtown Bath. This year's event will take place on Saturday, July 1. Beginning at 11 a.m. on the Library Park gazebo on Washington Street, free musical entertainment will be provided by the Porch Lights duo (acoustic Americana), The Howligans (rock and roll), Pretty Girls Sing Soprano (vocal harmonies, rock, folk, country, bluegrass), and the Scott Davis Quartet (jazz). See **Summer**, page 12

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Fiddle music, puppet show at Celebration Barn this weekend



Saturday night, Tricky Britches performs their unique combination of country, contra-dance, bluegrass, and rock.

Celebration Barn Theater in South Paris will present two shows this weekend, including their first family matinee of the season.

On Saturday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m., Tricky Britches will bring their unique combination of country, contra-dance, bluegrass, and rock to the Barn for an intimate acoustic performance. The band formed in 2009, when four friends in Portland, Maine decided to take their fiddle tunes and country songs on the road. Since then, they have released three albums of original material: “Comin’ in Hot” (2016), “Good Company” (2013), and “Hard Fought Day” (2011). They’ve played festivals and concerts across the U.S. and Europe, allowing themselves to be shaped by the

places they’ve seen and using those experiences to inspire their original music.

On Sunday, June 25 at 2 p.m., puppeteer Faye Dupras will present “I Spy Butterfly,” a show well-suited for children ages 3 through 10, followed by a kids’ butterfly puppet-making workshop. How does a nature-loving explorer kid become a bug’s best friend? Find out in this delightful eco-story about the ways we all grow and change. When Trudy’s caterpillar friend Harold suddenly transforms into a chrysalis, she’s determined to do the same. Just when she is about to give up hope, she learns that her tiny friend needs her now more than ever. Live music, colorful critters, and oodles of audience interaction make this show a fun ecological

romp in the wild.

Faye Dupras is an award-winning master puppeteer. Trained as both a theater and visual artist, puppetry is the medium that allows her to scratch at her creative curiosity, stretch her artistic wings, and explore questions about our collective humanity. She has designed and facilitated puppetry programs for numerous institutions, from preschools to universities and community centers as far off as Brazil. She loves working with people and has a deep commitment to making the art of puppetry accessible to all.

Tickets for Tricky Britches on Saturday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors (ages 60+), and \$8 for kids (ages 17-). The lobby and concessions will open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for “I Spy Butterfly on Sunday” on Sunday, June 25 at 2 p.m. are \$10 for adults or seniors (ages 60+) and \$8 for kids (ages 17-). The lobby and concessions will open at 1:30 p.m.

Celebration Barn Theater is located just off Route 117 at 190 Stock Farm Road in South Paris. All tickets are general admission and members receive priority seating. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly recommended. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the box office at 743-8452 or see www.CelebrationBarn.com.



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Twin City Nights

Resurgence Dance Company presents original ballet

Resurgence Dance Company will return to the Chocolate Church Arts Center in Bath for three performances of “We Are Rebels” on Friday and Saturday, June 23 and 24, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, June 25 at 2 p.m. Written and directed by Resurgence Dance Company founder Ashley Steeves, We Are Rebels is an original contemporary ballet about Fea, a young woman who risks everything to take a stand against an unjust government. When the Queen discovers her plan to join the Rebel Army, Fea is forced to flee the Queen’s powerful assassin and go on the run. Meanwhile, the Queen continues her experimental human testing, confident that the Rebels won’t be a problem for long.

We Are Rebels is set in a dystopian future where lines between good and evil are challenged. The ballet features a cast of characters including a blissfully ignorant King, a naïve intern, and a mad scientist. Their stories are told through contemporary dance, electronica mu-



Written and directed by Resurgence founder Ashley Steeves, We Are Rebels is an original contemporary ballet about a young woman who risks everything to oppose an unjust dystopian government.

sic, anime-style costuming and acting. For this production, Steeves has incorporated guest appearances of dancers from multiple sister companies and conducted auditions seeking new talent. This is a full-length ballet and may not be suitable for young children.

Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$12 for students at the door. Tickets purchased in advance are \$12 and \$8. Chocolate Church Arts Center is located at 804 Washington Street in Bath. For more information or to buy tickets, call 442-8455 or see www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

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Out & About with Rachel Morin

At the Wedding of Tony Brown and Langston Snodgrass



Reading the old Gaelic Irish wedding blessings, Richard Thibodeau, Robert Sipe, Langston Snodgrass, Tony Brown, Officiant Margaret Craven, N.P.



Langston and Tony exchange rings as Margaret Craven looks on.



Tony and Langston prepare for the Jumping of the Broom, honoring the American Negro folk tradition. (Photo by Robert Sipe)

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

Four and a half years ago, I was privileged to attend an historic wedding at the High Street Congregational Church in Auburn.

Tony Brown and Langston Snodgrass were married Saturday afternoon, December 1, 2012, at the High Street Congregational Church, United Church of Christ in Auburn. It was an historic first for the church. Three clergymen participated in what was the very first male same-sex, religious, bi-racial marriage ceremony at the Congregational Church.

The wedding was held shortly after State of Maine voters approved the bill for legalization of same-sex marriage on November 6, 2012. Maine, Maryland and Washington were the first U.S. States to legalize same-sex marriage by popular vote. Maine has recognized legal same-sex marriage since December 29, 2012.

At that time, Langston and Tony felt no need to pursue a civil marriage. This past month, the couple decided the time was right for the civil wedding ceremony.

And so, dozens of friends joyfully gathered at Langston and Tony's Lewiston-Auburn home on June 1 for an intimate civil wedding ceremony with notary public Margaret Craven,

former State Senator and a long-time close friend, as the Officiant. The Reverend Stephen R. Carnahan, pastor of High Street Congregational Church and one of the three clergy at the 2012 wedding, was the Officiant Guest of Honor. This marriage is likely one of the very first gay male, bi-racial civil marriages in Maine.

Margaret, a native of Ireland, led the assembled guests in a reading of Irish Blessings from old Gaelic Irish wedding blessings. Rev. Carnahan also offered a prayer and a blessing for the wedding couple.

Langston and Tony reaffirmed their original Marriage Vows. Margaret led them through the solemn part of the formal civil ceremony where they expressed their commitment to each other until "death us do part." They repeated the exchange of wedding rings symbolizing their commitment to each other for all



The Wedding Cake with original wedding couple saved from the church wedding in December, 2012.



The Buffet Table prepared earlier by Tony Brown.



Langston and Tony express their thanks to the guests.



A December 1, 2012 keepsake photo from the religious wedding ceremony at the High Street Congregational Church. (Tony, left, and Langston)

eternity. Margaret declared they were united in holy matrimony within the laws of the State of Maine.

Margaret then introduced The Jumping of the Broom as a further symbol of their marriage and of their honoring the traditions of black couples. In accordance with American Negro folk tradition, she placed the broom on the floor, requesting Tony and Langston to hold hands and jump over the broom together. Exuberant applause and shouts of congratulations filled the room as they followed the ritual.

The customary cutting of the wedding cake topped with the original wedding cake couple depicting Langston and Tony followed. Carmen Thibodeau served the cake that she and her husband Richard had brought as a special gift for the couple. A delicious punch and hors d'oeuvres buffet, prepared earlier by Tony, was enjoyed. The guests remained until late in the evening, sharing the special event.

Tony, an artist, has had his art exhibited in several galleries and has established a dedicated following. His art can be seen on his website, www.theartoftonybrown.com. Langston is writing his second novel. His work can be seen on www.langstonsnodgrass.com. He also works in their garden. Tony has expanded his much appreciated culinary skills. Both enjoy their loving, committed marriage.

Summer

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In cooperation with the City of Bath, the Summer Concert Series in Waterfront Park will kick off on Saturday, July 8. Free and open to the public, the events will take place on consecutive Saturday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m. This year's schedule is: July 8, the Strangely Possibles (indie, blues); July 15, Pan-Fried Steele (steel band); July 22, the Big Chip Trio (blues, jazz, soul); July 29, the Massachusetts-based DuPont Brothers (folk); August 5, Cold Chocolate (Americana, roots, bluegrass); August 12, Papa Tim & Friends (R&B, soul, folk, blues); August 19, the Downeast Soul Coalition (R&B, Soul, folk, blues); and August 26, the Alison Freeman-Shipmates (maritime chants).

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Thursday, June 22
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. The guest speaker is Val Graffa, Drum Major of the Maine Public Safety Pipe and Drum Corps. No reservations required; lunch avail. at Fusion Restaurant for \$10. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Maine Festival of American Music. 7 p.m. Meeting House, Shaker Village, 707 Shaker Rd. New Gloucester. Composer Kevin Siegfried leads the Portsmouth Singers in powerful choral arrangements of Shaker tunes. \$20. 926-4597; maineshakers.com.

Friday, June 23
“Fête Nationale” Celebration. 11:30 a.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. To mark the Feast Day of St. Jean the Baptist, this event features a traditional meal and entertainment. Social hour at 10:30. \$12. Reserve at 783-1585 or francocenter.org.

Spring Book Sale. 4 to 6 p.m. Andro. Community Room, Auburn Public Library. Donated books, DVDs, and CDs, plus kids’ picture books withdrawn from the library collection - all on sale at bargain prices. Cont. 6/24 from 9-1. 333-6640.

Maine Festival of American Music. 7 p.m. Meeting House, Shaker Village, 707 Shaker Rd. New Gloucester. The Don Roy Trio perform - and stepdance to - traditional Franco-American fiddle tunes. \$15. 926-4597; maineshakers.com.

Ballet: “We are Rebels.” 7 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. Resurgence Dance Co. presents this original contemporary ballet about a young woman who opposes an unjust dystopian government. Again 6/24, 25 (Sun. at 2 p.m.) \$16/12. 442-8455. www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

Concert at the Basilica. 7:30 p.m. Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, 122 Ash St., Lewiston. VoXX: Voice of Twenty presents a program of sacred and secular music called “Where There is Love...” Free; donations welcome. www.princeofpeace.me.

Saturday, June 24
Great Falls Boats ’n’ Brews River Race. 9 a.m. Paddlers enter the water at Auburn Public Boat Launch. This competitive amateur race runs seven miles from Great Falls to the Durham Boat Launch. \$30/40. Register at 782-2302 or https://androscogginlandtrust.org.
Yard Sale. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 151 West Gray Rd., Gray. This eighth annual event features assorted merchandise. Rain or shine.
Open House. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Greenwood Gallery, 998 Old Danville Rd.,

Calendar

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Auburn. See works by nine diverse Maine artists. Free. 782-5118.
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. Staffers from the Int’l Cryptozoology Museum in So. Portland share info about the “study of hidden and unknown animals”; free with park admission. \$7.50/5.50. 657-4977; www.mainewildlifepark.com.
Community BBQ. 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Town Mall, Downtown Brunswick. Meal incl. choice of hamburger or two hot dogs, chips, cookie, watermelon, beverage; live music, kids’ activities. Bring blanket or lawn chair. \$5/3.
Stanton Bird Club Walk. 1 to 3 p.m. Thorncrag Nature Sanctuary, Montello St., Lewiston. Master Naturalist Alan Seamans (240-1723) leads this walk to look for early wildflowers. Meet in Thorncrag parking lot. All welcome. Free.
Painting Party. 1 to 4 p.m. Calvary United Methodist Church, 59 Sabattus St., Lewiston. Decorative artist Judy Giffin leads participants in painting two wine glasses. \$25. 783-9784.
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. Take-out avail. All welcome. \$6 adults, \$3 kids 5-12, under 5 free.
Auction for Action. 5 p.m. Boofy Quimby Memorial Center, 96 Howes Corner Road, Rte. 119, Turner. Live music, barbecue, silent auction; live auction at 7:00. Supports Rural Community Action Ministry (RCAM). 524-5095.
Maine Festival of American Music. 7 p.m. Meeting House, Shaker Village, 707 Shaker Rd. New Gloucester. The Portland String Quartet performs Maine composer Elliott Schwartz’s String Quartet No. 3 and works by Haydn and Dvorak. \$20. 926-4597; maineshakers.com.
Theater: “My Father’s Dragon.” 7:30 p.m. Theater at Monmouth, 796 Main St. The theater’s 2017 Family Show is Ruth Stiles Gannett’s classic adventure

story. Again 7/9, 16, and 23; 8/1, 5, 10, 12, and 17 (all at 1 p.m.). \$15/10. 933-9999; www.theateratmonmouth.org.
Concert: Tricky Britches. 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn, 190 Stock Farm Rd., So. Paris. The band presents their unique combination of country, contra-dance, bluegrass, and rock in an intimate acoustic performance. \$14/12/8. 743-8452; www.CelebrationBarn.com.
Strawberry Festival. 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Dirigo Grange Hall, Route 137, Freedom.
Sunday, June 25
Fun Dog Day. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oxford Fairgrounds. Fundraising dog walk, dog water park, dog show, contests, games, demos, kids’ activities, food, raffles, and vendors. Rain or shine. Suggested donation \$3/person or \$10/car load. 418-7986; visit www.rpc.petfinder.com.
Puppet Show: “I Spy Butterfly.” 2 p.m. Celebration Barn, 190 Stock Farm Rd., So. Paris. Master puppeteer Faye Dupras presents this show about a nature-loving kid who becomes a bug’s best friend; best for kids ages 3-10. \$10/8. 743-8452; www.CelebrationBarn.com.
Monday, June 26
Mad Science of Maine. 6 p.m. Androscoggin Room, Auburn Public Library. In “Engineering a Better World,” Mad Science shows kids how engineers design things to make the world a better place. Sign up for the library’s Kids Summer Reading Program at the event. Free. 333-6640, ext. 3.
Tuesday, June 27
Auburn Farmers’ Market. 4 to 7 p.m. Happy Days parking lot, 67 Mill St. (park at Rolly’s Diner). Local farmers and artisans are on hand to sell a variety of fresh, seasonal or home-made products. 320-1969.
Wednesday, June 28
Stanton Bird Club Walk. 8 to 11 a.m. Stan DeOrsey (406-4741) leads this trip to Riverside Trail in Lewiston. Meet for carpooling at Promenade Mall parking lot, near Staples, 855 Lisbon St., Lewiston. All welcome. Free.
Outdoor Movie Night. Simard Payne Park, Lewiston. Movie (to be announced) starts at dusk; kids’ activities start at 6:00. Ice cream, popcorn, and water provided. Free.
Thursday, June 29
Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Ramada Inn, Lewiston. Incoming club president Monica Millhime shares

her vision for the club’s next year. No reservation required; lunch avail. at Fusion Restaurant for \$10. 753-9040; monica.millhime@maine.gov.
World Refugee Day Celebration. 5 to 7:30 p.m. Simard Payne Memorial Park, 46 Beech St., Lewiston. Music, performances, craft demos, food samples, children’s activities, and Catholic Charities of Maine’s “Far from Home” refugee experience simulation.
Marine Corps League Meeting. 6 p.m. Lewiston Armory, 65 Central Avenue. Central ME Detachment 810 holds its monthly meeting; all Marines, FMF corpsman and Navy chaplains invited, along w. anyone interested in the Marines Helping Veterans program.
Saturday, July 1
Happy Birthday America Story Time. 10 a.m. Children’s Room, Auburn Public Library. Start your holiday weekend off with stories, a holiday-themed craft, a parade in the library, and cake. All welcome. Register for this special story time at 333-6640, ext. 3.
Bath Heritage Days Festival. From 11 a.m. Downtown Bath. Enjoy live music on the Library Park gazebo (Washington St.) by Porch Lights duo (acoustic Americana), The Howligans (rock and roll), Pretty Girls Sing Soprano (vocal harmonies), and the Scott Davis Quartet (jazz). Free. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.
Sunday, July 2
Concert: The Django Festival All-Stars. 7:30 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. This group brings the music of the great Gypsy jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt into the 21st century. \$25/28. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.
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Wednesday, July 5
“A Peek Behind the Curtain.” Noon to 1 p.m. Morrell Meeting Room, Curtis Memorial Library, Brunswick. A panel of artists, actors and staff discuss the Maine State Music Theater’s current production of “Guys and Dolls.” 725-8769; www.msmt.org.
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
Concert in Waterfront Park. 6 to 7:30 p.m. Commercial St, Downtown Bath. The Strangely Possibles perform indie and blues. Free. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.
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 INSPIRIT. \$20/15/12. batesdancefestival.org.
Tuesday, July 11
Auburn Farmers’ Market. 4 to 7 p.m. Happy Days parking lot, 67 Mill St. (park at Rolly’s Diner). Local farmers and artisans are

on hand to sell a variety of fresh, seasonal or home-made products. 320-1969.
Bates Dance Festival. 7:30 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, 329 College St., Lewiston. In advance of their mainstage performances this weekend, David Dorfman Dance presents this Show & Tell discussing their creative process. Free. 786-6161.
Wednesday, July 12
Outdoor Movie Night. Holy family Field, Lewiston. Movie (to be announced) starts at dusk; kids’ activities start at 6:00. Popcorn and water provided. Free.
Thursday, July 13
Bates Dance Festival. 7:30 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, 329 College St., Lewiston. David Dorfman Dance performs the kinetic poem “Aroundtown,” examining varied, unique and sometimes divided notions of love. Again 7/15. \$25/18/12. batesdancefestival.org.
Friday, July 14
2nd Friday Brunswick. 4 to 7 p.m. Downtown venues along Maine St. This monthly Artwalk event features live performances, extended shopping hours, and over 40 artist displays. Free. brunswickdowntown.org.
Saturday, July 15
Concert in Waterfront Park. 6 to 7:30 p.m. Commercial St, Downtown Bath. Steel band Pan-Fried Steele performs. Free. 442-8455; www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

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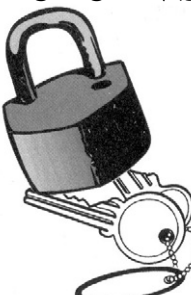
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AHCH seeks volunteers; next training starts July 17

Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice has scheduled its next session of specialized training for volunteers who wish to visit hospice patients in their homes, nursing facilities, at its Hospice House in Auburn, or at the Togus Veterans Affairs Hospital in Augusta.

While the agency typically offers the 20-hour training program over three weeks, this summer session, which begins July 17, will be completed in one week. Those interested in the training must call 795-9580 or 1-800-482-7412, ext. 1280 to schedule a brief phone screening by July 5.

“We have heard in the past from some volunteers that a more compressed training schedule

would have been more convenient for them,” said Kristen McEvoy, Director of Volunteer Resources. “We hope this training option is attractive to those who want to complete the training and still have plenty of time to enjoy summer in Maine.”

Hospice volunteer opportunities are available across the agency’s service area, which includes all of Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford Counties, Northern Cumberland County, and parts of Kennebec, Sagadahoc and Somerset Counties.

After completing the training, volunteers will be

Marine Corps League monthly meeting

Marine Corps League Central Maine Detachment 810 will host its monthly meeting on Thursday, June 29 at 6 p.m. at the Lewiston Armory, located at 65 Central Avenue. All Marines, FMF Corpsman and Navy Chaplains are invited. Anyone interested in Marines Helping Veterans is also invited to attend. They have a great need for members; get involved and help them help our veterans.

Central Maine Detachment 810 would also like to thank Shaw’s in Lewiston and their customers for their support for the “Marines Helping Veterans” fund raiser on Flag Day. The organization supports the Maine Veterans Home in South Paris) and the Honor Flight and Wounded Heroes programs of Maine.

veterans are also needed to support AHCH’s Veteran to Veteran program, which includes options for special recognition of military service when requested.

Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice is seeking volunteers who can commit to at least two hours per week for the next year

to serve as hospice volunteers. The training session, a background check, and TB testing are provided to volunteers at no cost. To learn more about AHCH, including volunteer opportunities, call the Marketing and Development Office at 777-7740, ext. 1407 or see www.ahch.org.

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