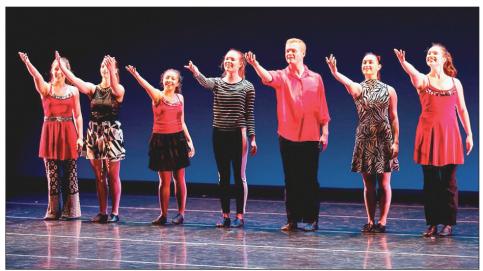
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Bates College Fall Dance Concert



Members of the Bates College Dance Company perform during an October concert. (Photo by Max Huang '18 for Bates College)

The college's Fall Dance Concert will present new choreography by Bates faculty, guest artists and students in three

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The Androscoggin County Chamber held its Business After Hours at the FEZtival of Trees at Kora Shrine Center in Lewiston on November 19. Jennifer Woodard from Great Falls Insurance Co, Nicole Lajoie from Champoux Insurance, Nancy Richards and Sonia Theberge from Mechanics Savings Bank. TCT photos by Ashley Somma. See more photos on pages 10-11.

Dempsey Center Memorial Service

The Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope & Healing will hold its second annual Memorial Service from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sunday, December 6. The public is invited to remember a loved one in the company of others as

the center honors those who have died from cancer over the past year. The Dempsey Center is located at 29 Lowell Street in Lewiston. Please RSVP by December 1 at 795-8250 or dempseycenter. org.

Center Street Dental spotlights local artist

Center Street Dental routinely invites local artists to display their work as part of their "Artist of the Month" program. From mid-November through the end of December, they will display works by artist Colleen Rioux in their reception area gallery. Works on display are also available for purchase.

Under the direction of well-known artist and teacher Mercedes Gastonguay, Colleen Rioux has learned techniques of oil painting, pen and ink, pastels, sepia pencil, charcoal, and watercolor. She is also passionate about photography. Her art often reflects the beauty of the natural world around her.

Rioux is a lifelong resident of the Lewiston-Auburn area and currently lives with her husband, Bruce, in New Auburn. She is an active member of the community, serving as See CSD, page 3



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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

New staff members at CMCC



Kyle Fleming

Central Maine Community College has announced the following staff appointments.

Kyle Fleming, information systems support specialist II. Fleming holds an AAS degree in computer science from CMCC. He is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in IT and certifications from Microsoft and CompTIA. Prior to coming onboard full time,



Grimes Williams

he worked on campus as a student helpdesk technician in IT and as a resident assistant. He lives in his native town of Norway.

Grimes Williams, associate dean of student services. A native of Raleigh, NC, Williams has also lived in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and England. He worked previously at Southern Maine Community College as a pathway



Cynthia McShane



Joey Blanchard

learning strategist for the Business and Community Partnership Department.

He holds a BA in history and political science from the University of No. Carolina at Greensboro; an MA in higher education from Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA; and an MA in liberal arts from St. John's College in Annapolis, MD.

Cynthia McShane, learning and advising specialist. McShane has worked



Branden Ross

at CMCC as an adjunct instructor in humanities and as a writing center tutor. She has also served on the adjunct faculty at Southern New Hampshire University. She earned a BFA in creative writing from UMaine at Farmington and an MFA in creative writing from Chatham University in Pittsburgh, PA. She also holds graduate certificates in travel writing and the teaching of writing. She is a native of Auburn, where she continues to make her home.

Joey Blanchard, admissions representative. Blanchard just graduated from CMCC this year with a degree in criminal justice. A familiar face on campus, he recently worked as a



Joshua Mello

campus security officer and, as a student, served as a resident assistant, president of the Student Senate, and president of the Criminal Justice Club.

Branden Ross, resident director. A former resident assistant at CMCC, Ross graduated in May with honors in business administration and management. He has worked for several years as manager at Stevenson's Vegetable Farm in Wayne, where he trained employees and operated equipment. A certified nursing assistant, he lives in his native Livermore Falls.

Joshua Mello, facilities maintenance specialist. Mello graduated from Diman Regional Vocational



Marquis Forbes

Technical High School in Fall River, MA. A native of Monmouth, he has worked as a carpenter and as a correctional officer at the Two Bridges Regional Jail in

Marquis Forbes, food service worker. A native of Providence, RI, Forbes recently worked as a cook at Buffalo Wild Wings.

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SEARCH seeks volunteers to support local seniors

With winter around the corner, Catholic Charities' SEARCH (Seek Elderly Alone, Renew Courage and Hope) program is seeking volunteers to provide companionship and transportation assistance to lonely and isolated seniors living in Androscoggin County.

Each year at this time, SEARCH experiences a demand for its services. The program now has 15 seniors on its waiting list, many in their late 60s to 80s and all living in Auburn, Lewiston,



SEARCH client Viviane and longtime volunteer Sarah have enjoyed 10 years together!

Lisbon Falls, Minot, Poland or Sabattus. Most live alone and have no transportation. They could use some help getting to their appointments or picking up groceries, and a friendly visit each week would lift their spirits and make them feel less isolated during the long winter months. Each would benefit from and enjoy the support of a caring volunteer from their community.

SEARCH provides training and ongoing support for its volunteers. If you have 3 to 4 hours a week to spend with a local senior, or would like more information about becoming a volunteer, call 784-0157.









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Dear Maine Taxpayer,

Mainers travel from all parts of our State each year to donate food to needy people they have never met. The holidays are often hard for the less fortunate, so it is truly heartwarming to see their fellow Mainers stepping up to help.

We were humbled by the hundreds of Mainers who came to donate thousands of pounds of nonperishable foods. The Good Shepherd Food Bank will distribute the food to those who need it most.

As I reflect on this Thanksgiving season, I am thankful for my family and for the generous spirit of



Governor Paul R. LePage the people of Maine. Instilling the gift of

service to others has always been very important to Ann and me. Our children were raised to understand that while receiving something is always nice, giving to others is even more rewarding.

Giving back to your community is an important part of being a good citizen and a good neighbor.

I am someone who has been in need. But it wasn't the government that helped me out. I never forget that it was the commitment and love of Maine people who gave me the support I needed to succeed.

Government should certainly provide a safety net for our most vulnerable, but government programs do not change lives: people do.

Mainers have a long tradition of caring for their neighbors as they care for themselves and their own families. And when you extend your goodwill, it has a way of encouraging others

to do the same.

So, as we approach the holiday season, let's take a moment to pause and reflect on what it is we are thankful for. Let us also think about how we can contribute to our communities and the future of Maine.

Ann and I wish you a very Happy Thanks-

> Thank You, Paul R. LePage Governor

Marine Corps League donates to Veterans Home



The Marine Corps League of Central Maine, Detachment 810, recently celebrated the 240th birthday of the U.S.

Concert raises \$3,000 for park



The recent "Apple Doesn't Fall Far from the Tree" benefit concert featuring local musicians and their talented children was a success, attracting nearly 250 fans and raising approximately \$3,000 for the Pettingill School Park project.

Event organizers wish to thank the performers, raffle donors Betty Harris and Charlene Leclair, Doug and Gini Haines of Haines Photography and the Franco Center for their contributions, as well as event volunteers Carolyn Court, Pauline Taylor, Margaret Craven, Rep. Peggy Rotundo and Judy Cartmel. See the Friends of Pettingill Facebook page for more photos from the event.

Marine Corps with a visit to the Maine Veterans Home in South Paris, where they presented a donation check to the activities department.

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president of several local organizations, including the Lewiston-Auburn chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, the Jaycee Women, NAIW of Androscoggin Valley Insurance Women, and the Walton School PTO. She is employed by Cross Insurance in Lewiston.



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11 a.m. Instructor: Jill Spen-

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Thursday, December 17, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Instructor: Sarah

L. Long, WMTV Meteorol-

ogist. Sarah will share tales of "weathering" Mt. Washing-

ton and forecasting at Channel 8. She'll also explain how

you can join the community

of Maine "weather spotters." Also offered at the West Paris Public Library and

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Only the President can stop the influx of refugees

By Robert E. Macdonald Mayor of Lewiston

During my tenure as mayor, I have had the opportunity to attend several citizenship ceremonies. These new citizens come from many lands. They speak many languages. They are of many faiths.

But what binds them all tightly together is their new status: they are now proud and patriotic Amer-

I do not use words lightly. Observing these new citizens on taking their loyalty oath dissolves any doubt in your mind. Their facial expressions say it all. But many times this image personally haunts me when I am at an event where native-born Americans disrespect our country by failing to remove their hats or talking or paying no attention when our National Anthem is played.

Prior to our city council meeting last week, I was informed that allegations were swirling that several of Lewiston's citizens had been shouted at and referred to as "terrorists." This resulted in my warning that this behavior was to immediately

cease and that it would not be tolerated.

A great many of our refugees are now American citizens with the same rights enjoyed by all Americans. We have had four years of peace in our city, and there is no reason for this type of foolishness.

Our one-time refugees have now assimilated into our community. They are productive citizens, owning homes and businesses. They are gainfully employed and contribute to both our local, state and federal government through taxes. Their children have brought our graduation rate up to 70

The Lewiston High School soccer players are not only the state champs, but they hold a high rating in New England and the

Upon arriving home one night last week, I turned on the O'Reilly Factor and watched Bill O'Reilly's interview of New Jersey Governor Chris Christie on the subject of immigration. Christie was asked if New Jersey currently had any Syrians living there and, if so, how many. O'Reilly



Mayor Bob Macdonald

was taken back by the answer. Christie stated he had some, but did not know how many.

The sad truth is that the federal government contracts with various agencies (in Maine, it is Catholic Charities), which then resettle refugees without notifying state and local officials. In the case of the Syrians, if a Syrian refugee comes into Lewiston's General Assistance Office, an employee in that office will immediately call me so I can call Governor Paul R. LePage and inform him of our newest arrivals.

A few months ago, shortly after the outbreak of war in Yemen, we had refugees from Yemen showing up at our General Assistance Office with no advance warning.

The sad truth is neither the governors nor the mayors nor the city councilors of our great country can stop this influx. It can only be stopped by the President.

Lastly, I have two questions. The first is for Catholic Charities: How can you morally justify relocating refugees into a struggling city such as Lewiston, knowing that these resettlements will lead to either higher local taxes or a decrease in municipal services, including layoffs?

To the United Churches of Maine: Why don't you turn your sanctimonious rhetoric into cash so that you, not the taxpaying public, can support

Last Friday I attended a ribbon cutting at Liberty Taxes, located at 272 Main Street, Lewiston. It has expanded its services to health insurance in order to help our working poor secure affordable health insurance policies.

While there, I had the pleasure of meeting the mother of the young lady

involved in the car-moose accident on the Turnpike. She expressed her overwhelming thanks to Central Maine Medical Center for putting her up at the Arbor House so she could be close to her daughter.

She also expressed thanks for the kindness shown and the help given to her by Liberty's staff and the people of Lewiston.

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AHCH releases 2015 Remembrance Ornament



This year's ornament is made of hand-cast pewter and features the tree of life.

Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice has unveiled its Holiday Remem-

brance Ornament for 2015. Each year, thanks to sponsorship provided by Mechanics Savings Bank, a unique ornament is created and made available to all who want to remember a loved one. This year's ornament is made of hand-cast pewter and features the tree of life. Proceeds from sales of the ornament support home health and hospice services for patients who do not have resources to pay for care and bereavement services.

2015 is the tenth year that Mechanics Savings Bank and AHCH have partnered to offer a Remembrance Ornament during the holiday season. Since the project began, over \$33,000 has been raised.

"Mechanics Savings Bank is proud to support AHCH's Remembrance Ornament fundraiser and its 5K and Remembrance Walk," said Lisa Hallee, Chairwoman of Mechanics Savings Bank's Charitable Giving Program. "Knowing that these events help families pay for the care of their loved ones warms our hearts. We are so thankful for the entire team at AHCH and the compassion and care they provide to this community."

"Over the past 10 years, Remembrance Ornaments have been given as gifts to loved ones across the U.S.," said AHCH Development Coordinator Teri Blaschke. "For some people, giving the Remembrance Ornament has become a family tradition. It's heartwarming to be part of that."

The ornaments are \$20 each and include a tag with the honored individual's name proudly displayed. The ornaments measure 2.5" by 2.5" and come pre-wrapped in a silver organza bag. Orders needing shipment require a \$2.50 mailing fee and should be placed before December 9 to ensure delivery before Christmas. Ornaments

can also be picked up after
December 9 at AHCH's
Lewiston office at 15 Strawberry Avenue.

Lewiston and 3 DriveIn Lane in Windham, at
AHCH's Lewiston office,
and at AHCH's Hospice

Order forms are available at all Mechanic Savings Bank locations, including 100 Minot Avenue in Auburn, 664 Main Street in Lewiston and 3 Drive-In Lane in Windham, at AHCH's Lewiston office, and at AHCH's Hospice House on Stetson Road in Auburn. Ornaments may also be purchased by calling 795-9428 or online at www. ahch.org.

HEAF awards scholarship to CMCC student



Androscoggin Bank President Paul Andersen presents CMCC student Morgan Kesseli with a 2015 Higher Education Assistance Foundation Scholarship.

The trustees of the Higher Education Assistance Foundation have awarded a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to Morgan Kesseli of South Paris. Kesseli is an honors student in the business administration and management program at Central Maine Community College. She received the

9am to 7pm

award recently at a gathering of bankers and local legislators at Androscoggin Bank in Lewiston.

The Maine Higher Education Assistance Foundation was established in the 1950's as a guarantee fund for student loans. The founders included a wide range of banks, businesses, community organizations and individuals.

In 1990, to continue the original intent of the founding members, the HEAF trustees initiated a scholarship program funded by the return on the original loan guarantee funds. The fund is now managed by the Maine Bankers Association.



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Pettengill Academy open bouse at new location

Pettengill Academy will host a grand opening reception and open house at their new location at 1 Atlantis Way in Lewiston on Friday, December 4 at 4:30 p.m. L-A's only Certified Eco-Healthy Childcare, Pettengill Academy has expanded their early learning child care center to serve more area families. Their new 10,336 square footfacility features a natural outdoor playground and an indoor playground by CedarWorks of Rockport, Maine. For more information about Pettengill Academy, call 241-0046 or see pettengillacademy.com.

DHHS seeks to ban EBT purchases of soda, candy

The Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) on Monday announced that it has submitted a request to the federal administrators of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to allow the state to waive federal rules allowing for the purchase of candy and soft drinks with SNAP benefits.

DHHS' reason for seeking the ban on purchasing junk food with SNAP is two-fold. First, Maine is facing an obesity-related health crisis that is driving up Medicaid and private health insurance costs. With over 15 percent of the state receiving food stamps-and 88 percent of food stamp recipients also receiving Medicaid, banning the purchase of candy and soft drinks with SNAP benefits is a commonsense step toward improving the health of low-income Mainers and containing Medicaid costs. More than \$1.5 million was spent on obesity-related medical claims in the Medicaid program from October 2014 to October 2015.

Second, the policy is in keeping with the belief of Governor Paul R. LePage's administration that welfare benefits should be spent appropriately and only on essential items, restoring taxpayers' faith in the integrity of the system.

Maine's waiver request to the Obama Administration notes that the state is the most obese in New England, with its obesity rate climbing from 14 percent in 1995 to 65 percent in 2011. A 2013 survey of SNAP recipients found that they rated their health below that of the general population in Maine.

"Mainers see it every day in the grocery store: EBT cards paying for candy bars, energy drinks and junk food," said Governor LePage.
"Mainers are generous, and they're willing to help the needy pay for groceries. But they're tired of seeing their tax dollars wasted and taken for granted. I would hope the federal government sees the common-sense bipartisan support this reform has in Maine and lets us fix the problem by banning junk food purchases with food stamps."

Even as SNAP enables junk food purchases, Maine spent \$4.6 million on its SNAP-Ed nutrition education program in federal fiscal year 2015 to teach low-income families how to prepare nutritious and affordable meals.

"Our current food stamp policy lets water in one end of the boat while bailing out the other," said DHHS Commissioner Mary Mayhew. "If we're going to spend millions on nutrition education for food stamp recipients, we should stop giving them money to buy candy and soda. Maine is facing an obesity epidemic, especially among its low-income population, and we should be solving that problem rather than enabling it."

The American Medical Association (AMA) in

2013 adopted a policy recommending SNAP remove "sugar-sweetened beverages" from its list of allowable items. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) since at least 2001 has prohibited the purchase of "foods with minimal nutritional value" with National School Lunch Program funds.

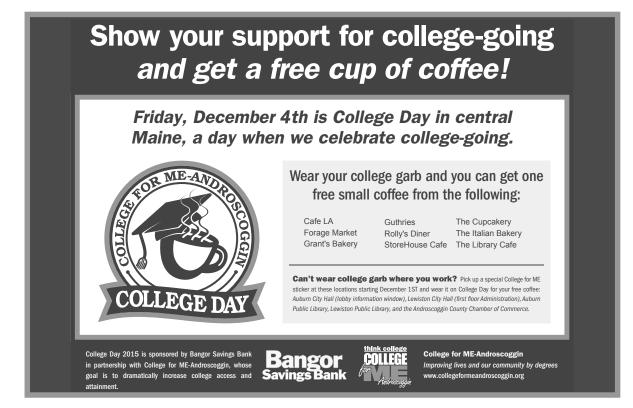
"The federal government is rightly concerned about the nutritional value of the food they serve in schools, and we hope they will be equally as concerned about the nutritional value of the food they allow to be purchased with food stamps," said Commissioner Mayhew. "If this waiver is granted, Maine DHHS has a plan for educating recipients and retailers about the change while measuring the results and evaluating implementation."

Nine states have either submitted similar waiver requests or urged Congress to allow states to ban junk food purchases with SNAP benefits. Those states include New York, Illinois, Minnesota, California, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Vermont, and Texas.

"This policy is about improving the health of low-income Mainers while strengthening the integrity of the food stamp program and restoring public trust in it," concluded Mayhew. "This waiver request presents an important opportunity to determine

whether the federal government's commitment to nutrition is genuine and comprehensive or merely rhetorical and selective."

State legislation to require DHHS to submit a similar waiver has gained considerable bipartisan support but failed in the past two legislatures for lack of votes and because of unrelated earmarks. DHHS does not require legislative approval to request the waiver.





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All Souls Prayer Service at St. Dominic Academy



Saint Dominic Academy recently held a special prayer service in honor of All Souls Day, which was planned and led by the student assistant chaplains. During the ceremony, students, parents, faculty and staff had the opportunity to light candles in memory of departed loved ones.

Following the service, Principal Joline Girouard shared a recent experience with the passing of Mr. Frederic Leblond '45, a long-time family friend. Leblond was a member of the first graduating class of St. Dom's before he joined the Army Air Core during World War



What's Going On

Classes at MSAD 52 Adult Ed

MSAD 52 Adult & Community Education of Turner, Greene and Leeds will offer the following classes November 30 through December 14. Unless otherwise noted, all sessions take place at 486 Turner Center Road in Turner. If you have questions, call 225-1010. For more information, including class times or a complete course listing, or to register and pay for a course, see www.msad52. maineadulted.org.

II. His funeral was a traditional military funeral, with a folded flag given to the family. The family gave the flag to Principle Girouard with the message that Leblond wanted St. Dom's to have it and to fly it with pride.

In honor of Veteran's Day, Leblond's flag was raised at the Auburn Campus. Principal Girouard invited Mr. Leblond's family, along with a few veterans, four St. Dom's Eagle Scouts and the entire student body for the flag raising after Mass on Thursday, November 12.

"Reiki II." November 30. The second degree of Reiki, the ancient healing art that channels energy through the hands, consists of additional symbols and the training of "in absentia" (also known as long distance or psychic) healing. Participants will receive their second attunement and a certificate of achievement.

"Magic Paper Toys."
December 2. Learn to create folding paper toys that make unique holiday gifts.
Participants will leave class with instructions and their creations.

"Bake the Night Away." December 2. In this hands-on class for all baking levels (including children over age 9 with an adult), participants will learn how to mix, knead, proof and shape basic yeast dough. Recipes will be shared. Bring an apron, rolling pin, cutting board and container to fill and take home.

"Back Country Winter Skills." December 3, 8 and 10. Winter is a great time to get out and enjoy the woods and snow. This course will provide information about snowshoeing and cross country skiing, as well as appropriate clothing, essential equipment, emergencies, and common winter hazards.

"Basic Beaded Ear-

rings." December 8. Learn how to make your own gorgeous beaded earrings. Choose from a selection of high quality materials and experiment with basic wire wrapping techniques.

"Euro Leather Bracelet." December 9. Learn how to make a unique, ultra-hip leather bracelet with personal meaning and symbols by incorporating a selection of colors, finishes, textures and clasps.

"Meet Your Animal Spirit Guide." December 14. Participants will explore the connection between nature and spirit in this relaxing, guided meditation adventure to meet your animal spirit guide. Dress comfortably and bring a beach chair, blanket and pillow.

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Kathe Perry and husband Crawford Perry Kora

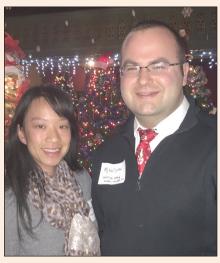


Patrick Penley from Payroll Management with daughter Olivia Penley



Monique Hebert from Martins Point, Megan Hebert from Berman and Simmons, Jessica Seefeldt from Liberty Mutual Insurance and Dennis Hebert.

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Annette Jo from Hilton Garden Inn and Matthew Shaw from United Way



Angela Coombs from Tri County Mental Health Services, Susan Lindkvit from United Way

Baked Bean Supper

The United Methodist Church will present a Bean Supper on Saturday, November 28 at 5 p.m. The menu will include baked beans, casseroles, potato salad, hot dogs, coleslaw, breads, beverages and pie. The cost will be \$7. Entertainment will be provided by the Park Street

Pickers. Come enjoy the fun and bring a friend. The church is located at 439 Park Avenue in Auburn. For more information, call 782-3972.



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Allison Beane and Audree Burns from Hampton Inn



Gerry Gagne from Macs Grill



Linda Simones from Simones Hot Dogs with her granddaughter

Leavitt Ski Team plans Bottle Drive

The annual Leavitt Ski Team Bottle Drive will take place on Saturday, November 28 beginning at 8 a.m. On that day, ski team members will fan out across Turner, Leeds and Greene to pick up your returnable bottles and/or cash donations. Those donating bottles will be entered into a raffle for a stay at the Inn by the River at The Forks; those making cash donations will be entered into a separate raffle for two

St. Mary's earns "A" grade for patient safety

St. Mary's Regional Medical Center in Lewiston has been recognized for its dedication to patient safety by being awarded an A grade in the Fall 2015 Hospital Safety Score, which rates how well hospitals protect patients from preventable medical errors, injuries and infections within the hospital. St. Mary's is also being recognized as a "Straight A's" hospital for never receiving a grade lower than an A from the Hospital Safety Score since the Score first launched in June 2012.

An "A" grade is one of the most meaningful honors a hospital can achieve, and one of the most valuable indicators for patients looking for a safe place to receive care. The Hospital Safety Score is the gold standard of patient safety ratings, compiled under the guidance of the nation's leading patient safety experts and administered by the Leapfrog Group, a national, independent nonprofit. The first and only hospital safety rating to be peer-reviewed in the "Journal of Patient Safety," the Hospital Safety Score is free to the public and designed to give consumers information they can use to protect themselves and their families when facing a hospital stay.

"Patient safety and providing excellent care are priorities for providers and staff at St. Mary's Regional See Safety, page 12 round-trip plane tickets to Colorado and reduced condominium rates to stay and ski at Steamboat Ski Resort and watch the NCAA National Championships in March, 2016.

This event helps raise funds for the school's Nordic and alpine ski teams, which require specialized

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equipment and waxes, and to fund travel expenses so the teams can work out on snow. The drive also raises money for college scholarships, conveyed in amounts of \$500 each, for graduating team members. For more information, contact Mark Evans at 314-1769.

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What's Going On

Veterans Day ceremony at St. Dominic Academy



Saint Dominic Academy held a special Veterans Day ceremony to honor a treasured alum, the late Frederic L. Leblond, Class of 1945. Leblond was a member of the first graduating class of St. Dom's before he went on to join the Army Air Corps during World



War II. He was a veteran of both World War II and the Korean conflict.

His funeral earlier this month was a traditional

military funeral, in which a folded U.S. flag was given to his family. The family in turn gave the flag to Principal Joline Girouard, saying that Leblond had wanted St. Dom's to have it and fly it with pride.

After Mass, the student body and local veterans and alumni gathered around the flag pole in silence as four Eagle Scouts, Jacob Bussiere, Wesley Haire, Aidan Johnson and Alex Michaud, raised Le-

blond's flag.

"I knew Mr. Leblond for many years," said Principal Girouard. "He took much pride in attending St. Dom's and being a member of its first graduating class. It's an honor to receive his burial flag from his family to put on our flagpole."



From left: Eagle Scouts Jacob Bussiere, Wesley Haire, Alex Michaud and Aidan Johnson pose with St. Dom's President Donald Fournier after the flag raising.

Safety

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Medical Center," said St. Mary's President and CEO Christopher Chekouras. "Their continued dedication and hard work have elevated our safety scores leading to the best safety and quality experience for our patients."

"St. Mary's Regional Medical Center is one of only 133 hospitals in the country to have achieved Straight A's from the Hospital Safety Score since 2012," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of the Leapfrog Group, which administers the Hospital Safety Score.

To see St. Mary's full score and to access consumer-friendly tips for patients and loved ones visiting the hospital, see www.hospitalsafetyscore.org.







"A Christmas Carol" at the Public Theatre



Andy Dolci as Tiny Tim and Michael O'Brien as Scrooge in a Public Theatre production of "A Christmas Carol."

will present its celebrated version of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" for four shows only December 11 through 13. Christopher Schario's acclaimed original adaptation for six actors and a fiddler brings this classic holiday story vividly to life for audiences of all ages. Tickets for all youth ages 18 and under are only \$5, so get the family together for this unique holiday event.

Show times are Friday,

The Public Theatre

Show times are Friday, December 11 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 12 at 2 and 7 p.m.; and Sunday, December 13 at 2 p.m. Tickets for adults are \$20, or \$17 each for groups of ten or over. The Public Theatre is located at 31 Maple Street in Lewiston. For more information or to buy tickets, call 782-3200 or see www. thepublictheatre.org.

Students offer end-of semester concerts

From voice and piano recitals to the driving rhythms of the Steel Pan Orchestra, music by Bates College students will keep the campus lively in early December. Except as noted, all performances will take place in the Concert Hall at Olin Arts Center, located at 75 Russell Street in Lewiston.

The concerts are open to the public at no cost, but tickets are required for the four ensemble performances. For tickets, see bit. ly/oacbates.

For more informa-

From voice and pition, call 786-6135 or recitals to the driving email olinarts@bates.edu.

Tom Snow, lecturer in music and director of Bates jazz ensembles, will lead the Bates Jazz Combo and Vocal Ensemble on Wednesday, December 2 at 7 p.m. Seating will be on the Olin Concert Hall stage and is limited.

The Steel Pan Orchestra will perform on Monday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. This lively and uplifting band uses authentic instruments from the West Indies to blend the Caribbean sound into jazz and other genres.

Two ensembles will share the bill starting on Tuesday, December 8 at 7 p.m. The Bates Gamelan Orchestra, directed by Associate Professor of Music Gina Fatone, will perform traditional and contemporary selections for Sundanese gamelan "degung" and Central Javanese gamelan music. They will be followed by the String Band, led by Andrew Martelle. This concert will take place in the Benjamin Mays Center at 95 Russell Street.

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Philippe brings Connie Francis tribute to Franco Center



Krista Johnson sings the title role.

The widely popular, infectious and sentimental hits of Connie Francis will take center stage at the Franco Center on Saturday, November 28 when Louis Philippe presents "Among My Souvenirs," his musical tribute to America's sweetheart of the 1950s and '60s.

"It was one of the most



Connie Francis was the top-charting female artist of the late 1950s and early '60s.

moving and fun shows Reindeer Theatre Company ever staged," Philippe said of the multi-media show he created in 1994 and has wanted to reprise ever since. "With a line-up of those dreamy, bouncy trademark hits performed live, interspersed with a narration of her life, career and personal strug-

gles, and nostalgic images, it had audiences completely captivated and enthralled to re-live some powerful memories of that era."

The current production features Krista Johnson of Westbrook, who sang in a church choir that Philippe directed. "With her strong, See Franco, page 15

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Twin City Nights

Bates presents jazz pianist Frank Carlberg

Described by Down-Beat magazine as a maker of "sophisticated, approachable music played with both freedom and discipline," pianist Frank Carlberg will front his jazz quintet for a performance on Thursday, December 3 at 8 p.m. in Bates College's Olin Arts Center Concert Hall at 75 Russell Street in Lewiston.

Admission is free, but tickets are required. For tickets, see bit.ly/oacbates. For more information, call 786-6135 or email olinarts@ bates.edu.

Carlberg, at Bates this academic year as a visiting artist, is known for his musical settings of poetry. In his Bates performance, titled "Word Circus," he'll present settings for work by such contemporary American poets as Ron Padgett and Anselm Berrigan. He'll be accompanied by a quartet that includes singer Chris-

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tine Correa.

Originally a native of Helsinki, Carlberg first gained critical recognition with his 1992 album "Blind Drive" (Accurate Records), a trio effort consisting primarily of original compositions. His 1996 "The Crazy Woman" (Accurate) was his first recorded venture into settings for poetry. The Hartford Courant characterized Carlberg's 2009 release "The American Dream" (Red Piano Records), comprising 12 songs inspired by the words of renowned American poet Robert Creeley, as "melodic, challenging, intelligent and fiercely original." Other poets he has adapted include Jack Kerouac, Anna Akhmatova, Kenneth Rexroth and Wallace Stevens.

As a leader, his groups include the Bates-bound Frank Carlberg Quintet; the Tivoli Trio, a classic

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jazz piano trio that plays an eclectic mix of Carlberg compositions drawn from cinematic and circus inspirations; and the Frank Carlberg Big Band, which performs original compositions along with arrangements and re-compositions of standards and folk materials.

A notable Carlberg collaboration has been his two-album partnership with drummer and composer Klaus Suonsaari. Down-Beat's Bill Milkowski praised the duo's "healthy blend of humor and fearlessness." Other notable collaborators have included saxophonist Steve Lacy, trombonist Bob Brookmeyer and trumpeter Kenny Wheeler.

In addition to composing and performing, Carlsberg serves on the faculties at the New England Conservatory and the Berklee College of Music.

Auditions set for CLT's "Shakespeare in Hollywood"

Auditions for Community Little Theatre's second production of its 76th season, Ken Ludwig's "Shakespeare in Hollywood," will take place on Monday, November 30 and Tuesday, December 1 at 6 p.m. at Great Falls Performing Arts Center at 30 Academy Street in Auburn. The show will run over two weekends, from February 12 through 21. The show will be directed by Mitchell Clyde Thomas.

The play is a fulllength comedy farce in two acts. The script calls for eight men and four women, with the possibility of additional ensemble roles. Those auditioning need only attend one night of the two. Those unable to attend either night may contact the director at 838-1722 or mitch.thomas@laclt.com to make an appointment for another time.

"Shakespeare in Hollywood" won the 2004 Helen Hayes Award for Best New Play. It's 1934, and Shakespeare's most famous fairies, Oberon and Puck, have magically materialized on the Warner Bros. Hollywood set of Max Reinhardt's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Instantly smitten by the glitz and glamour of show biz, the two are ushered onto the silver screen to play themselves in the movie. With a little help from a feisty flower, blonde bombshells and movie moguls, they are tossed into loopy love triangles with raucous results. The mischievous magic of Hollywood sparkles in this hilarious comic romp. The show is appropriate for all audiences.

Anyone interested in working on the Production Team and/or Crew should contact the director.

"Winter Wonderland" holiday concert

The Kennebec Performing Arts Company will present "Winter Wonderland," a holiday concert featuring its chorus, wind ensemble and jazz band, on Friday and Saturday, December 4 and ter at Winthrop High

5, at 7 p.m. The Friday concert will take place at Viles Auditorium at Cony High School in Augusta, while the Saturday concert will take place at Winthrop Performing Arts Cen-

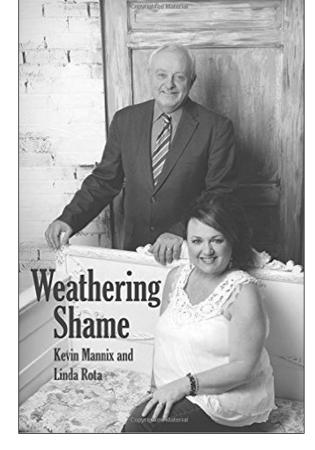
School. Tickets are \$8 until December 3 or \$10 at the door, free for students in high school and under.

For more information or to buy tickets, call 370-5381 or find them on Facebook.

Mannix and Rota to discuss memoir at APL

On television, Maine weatherman Kevin Mannix shared details of impending storms that gave school kids hope for a day off and left adults dreading the morning commute. On Monday, November 30 at 6:30 p.m., he and his wife, Linda Rota, will share details of a different kind of storm when they discuss their new memoir, "Weathering Shame," at Auburn Public Library. A personal journey through shame and stigma, the book recounts their life experiences, struggles and lessons resulting from growing up exposed to alcoholism, severe depression and suicide. For more information, call 333-6640, ext. 4.













Franco

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commanding voice, commercial appeal and graceful and confident stage persona, she had all the ingredients to make this tribute a success," Philippe said. "So I told her about the show and asked if she'd like to reprise it."

Johnson jumped at the opportunity. "I had never heard of Connie Francis, so I rushed home and devoured every YouTube video and online article I could find, then immediately downloaded 20 of her songs," she said. "Now I feel honored to be singing her greatest hits. I love her schmaltzy style and her smooth, effortless voice.

"There are many songs I emotionally connect with, lyrics that bring me to different times and experiences in my life," Johnson continued. "Sometimes I get carried away singing them. Just recently, my husband pointed out a few he felt were written for me to sing."

The songs that made Connie Francis the top-charting female artist of the late 1950s and early '60s include "Who's Sorry Now," "V-A-C-A-T-I-O-N," "Where The Boys Are," "Lipstick On Your Collar," "Stupid Cupid," "A Second Hand Love" and "Follow the Boys."

The show's musicians will include Music Director

Country Christmas Show

The Maine Country Music Association will present a Country Christmas Show on Sunday, November 29 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Sportsmen's Club in Litchfield. The event will feature live country music by Gary Leet and the Country Drifters, the Lost and Found Band, Ken and Jane Brooks, Bing and Nancy Crosby, Buzz and Kathy Vanadestine, Carol Royer

Louis Philippe on piano, Bruce LeBeau on bass, Marc Mailhot on drums and Tom O'Donnell - the original guitarist from the 1994 show - on guitar.

The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Franco Center's Heritage Hall. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with a cash bar and open concession counter. Tickets are \$15 and can be obtained by calling 689-2000.

and others. Concessions will be available and there will be a bake sale. Plan to put on your best Christmas sweater and join them for a fun afternoon!

Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids under 12. Located at 2782 Hallowell Road in Litchfield, the club is wheelchair accessible and has plenty of free parking. For more information, call 268-4494.

Concerts

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Tom Snow will return to the Olin stage to lead the Bates Jazz Band on Wednesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. in a program of music by jazz masters through the decades and other artists in diverse styles.

The following student recitals are also free and open to the public and do

Bates Choir to perform opera choruses

The Bates College Choir, directed by John Corrie with piano accompaniment by James Parakilas, will perform popular opera choruses by Mozart, Handel, Puccini, Wagner, Verdi and others in two performances on Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, at 8 p.m. in the college's Olin Arts Center Concert Hall at 75 Russell Street in Lewiston. The concert is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. For tickets, see bit.ly/oacbates. For more information, call 786-6135 or see olinarts@bates.edu.

Twin City Nights

Edwardian Christmas Tea at APL



"Mrs. Gordon," played by Rita Parisi, will host a 1908-style Christmas Tea on Thursday, December 3.

not require tickets. Students of Luette Saul will perform in a voice recital on Tuesday, December 8 at 6 p.m.; voice students of John Corrie will perform on Wednesday and Thursday, December 9 and 10, at 4 p.m.; and students of Chiharu Naruse will perform in a piano recital on Friday, December 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Rita Parisi of Waterfall Productions will be your hostess for an Edwardian Christmas Tea at Auburn Public Library on Thursday, December 3 at noon. You're invited to enjoy some holiday cheer as "Mrs. Gordon," played by Rita Parisi, transports you back to Christmas 1908. She will share her plans for the holiday season, as well as stories of her adventures from a recent shopping trip to Boston. And don't forget to bring along your Christmas list, since Mrs. Gordon will be glad to refer to her 1908 Sears and Roebuck's catalog to let you know how much it will all cost.

Rita Parisi has been entertaining audiences for over 19 years. In 2002, she founded Waterfall Productions to create shows that highlight her passion for theatre, history, literature and costuming. She has performed these shows all over New England, New York, New Jersey and Florida. She is also actively involved in the independent film scene in Boston, with film debuts at the Boston International Film and Cannes Film Fes-

If the event is postponed due to poor weather conditions, the program will take place on December 10 at noon. For more information, call 333-6640, ext. 4.



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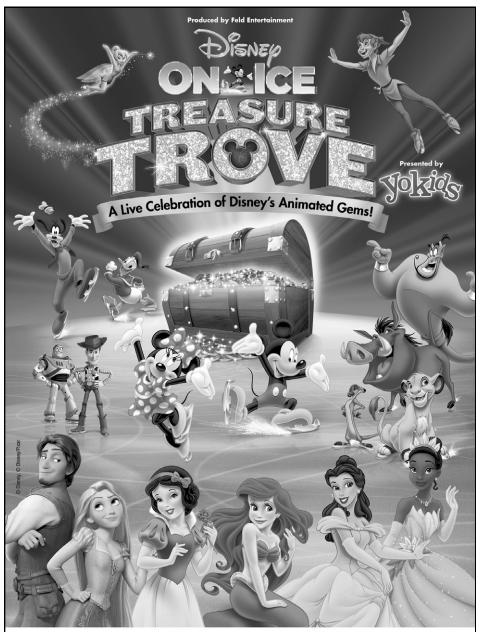
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What's Going On

Maine Event Comedy presents Johnny Ater



Johnny Ater

With a face that's launched a thousand laughs, one of Maine's favorite comedians, Johnny Ater, will headline Maine Event Comedy on Saturday, November 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Sapphire (formerly Club Texas), 150 Center Street in Auburn. The show will also feature Tuck Tucker, Paul Landwehr, Kevin Neales and host Mark Turcotte.

Whether he's taking light-hearted swipes at himself and his fellow Mainers or contorting his face into hilarious characters, Johnny Ater has made audiences laugh throughout New England and beyond. The resident host of the Maine

Comedy Festival, he has also appeared on "The Nite Show with Danny Cashman" and recently spearheaded a fundraising show

for the Bath Food Pantry.

Tuck Tucker, a founding member of Portland's Running with Scissors improv group, was a finalist on HBO's Lucky 21 Comedy Showcase in New York City. He's performed at the Funnybone in Hartford, CT and the Comedy Connection in

Boston and Providence.
Vulnerable and honest,
Paul Landwehr was voted
one of New Hampshire's
Best Local Comedians by
the Hippo Press for the
second straight year. He's
performed at the Central
New York Playhouse in
Syracuse, NY and Comix at
Foxwoods.

Kevin Neales has worn a hat while slinging jokes at Boston's Comedy Studio, the Maine Comedy Festival and The Ice House in Pasadena, CA.

Host Mark Turcotte founded the Comedy Fix fundraising series and was recently selected to participate in this year's Boston,

CMCC offers Grant Writing Workshop

The Corporate and Community Services Department at Central Maine Community College will offer a Grant Writing Workshop on three consecutive Fridays, December 4 through December 18, from 9 a.m. to noon.

This nine-hour workshop will provide an introduction to preparing proposals to fund nonprofits and is geared to both beginners and more experienced practitioners who seek a stronger knowledge base. The workshop will cover the fundamentals of project design and how to prepare effective proposals; how to identify prospective funding sources; and how to

Cleveland and North Carolina Comedy Festivals.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door. Seating is general admission and doors open at 7 p.m. The show is for those ages 21 and older. To buy tickets, see maineeventcomedy.com. For more information, call 513-0742 or email maineeventcomedy@gmail.com.

develop a plan of approach. Participants will engage in an interactive "hands-on" experience to raise their confidence level when seeking outside grant funding.

The program will be facilitated by Christos Gianopoulos, who has assisted business professionals and others to clarify their thinking about the direction and management of their enterprises. He has decades of experience in personal and professional development, leadership of community initiatives and teaching. A graduate of Bowdoin College, he also holds graduate degrees from American University and Syracuse University.

The deadline for registration is December 2. For more information, contact CMCC Corporate & Community Services at 755-5280 or training@cmcc.edu. To register online, see www.cmcc.edu/ccs.

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sion of Central Maine Community College provides customized training programs, including both non-credit classes and certification programs on a wide range of subject matter, to business, government, nonprofit and other organizations throughout Androscoggin, Oxford, Franklin and Lincoln counties. Their mission is to support community and promote economic development by offering the highest quality training and professional development courses to business and industry, coupled with access to training grants for new and expanding businesses.

Next L-A Law workshop: "The Incapacitated or Dead Business Owner"

The next workshop in the Chamber's continuing L-A Law series will be "The Incapacitated or Dead Business Owner: Who Runs the Business Then?" on Thursday, December 3 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Jill Checkoway of Skelton, Tainton & Abbott will present an overview of the basic legal documents that can keep a business going in the short term if the owner becomes incapacitated or dies. The presentation will focus on the benefits of well-drawn financial powers of attorney and specific will and probate code provisions, covering the probate process in the intermediate stages before the owner's business is transferred to his intended beneficiaries or sold. Checkoway devotes her practice entirely to the areas of probate administration, wills and trusts, estate and gift tax planning, and pre- and post-marital agreements.

The event will take place in the Chamber's conference room at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. The cost is \$25 for members and \$50 for non-members. For more information, call the Chamber at 783-2249. To register, see www.androscoggincounty.com.

The Chamber's "L-A Law" legal advisory workshop series for businesses runs through June, 2016. For a complete listing, see www. androscoggincounty.com.

Norway Savings offers teen video contest

Norway Savings Bank is seeking submissions for its "Lights, Camera, Save!" video contest. Sponsored by the American Bankers Association Foundation, Lights, Camera, Save! is a national bank-driven competition that encourages teens to use video to communicate the value of saving and inspire others to become lifelong savers.

"Lights, Camera, Save! is an opportunity for teens to harness their creativity, learn about using money wisely and communicate those lessons with their peers," said Patricia Weigel, President & CEO of Norway Savings Bank. "The video chosen to represent

Norway Savings Bank at the national level in the 2014 Lights, Camera, Save! contest won first place, and we'd love to be able to have another Maine student shine on the national stage again this year."

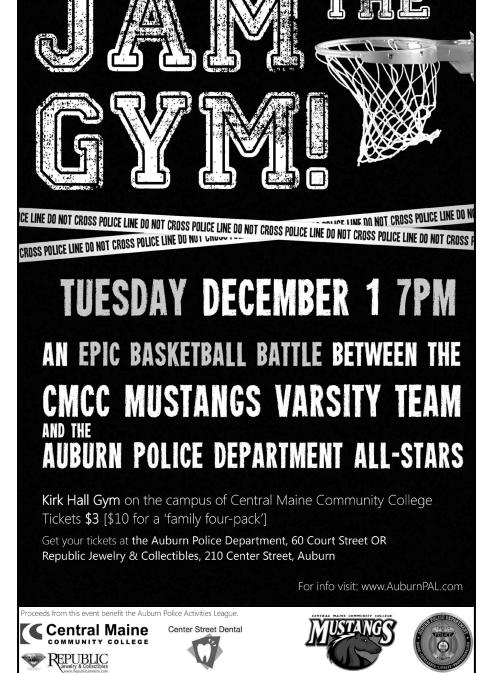
To participate, students ages 13 to 18 must create a 90-second video on saving and using money wisely and submit a link to the video, along with a completed entry form, to the bank by December 1. Norway Savings Bank will host the first round of judging. The local winner

will receive a \$250 college scholarship and their entry will be submitted to represent Norway Savings Bank on the national level, for a prize of up to \$5,000, plus a scholarship for a teacher at their school to attend the 2016 Jump\$tart National Educator Conference in Washington.

Videos will be judged on quality, message, content and the criteria set forth by the contest's official rules. For more information, see www.lightscamerasave.com.



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Thursday, November 26

Gathering of the Community. 10 a.m. Christian Science Church, 79 Lake St., Auburn. This one-hour service will feature scriptural texts, music and thankful remarks. 782-0012; cschurchauburn.org.

Thanksgiving Dinner. 1 p.m. Sportsmen's Club, 2782 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Turkey, potatoes, gravy and beverages provided; bring a side dish or dessert. A music jam will follow. All welcome. No reservations required. Free. 536-9647.

Friday, November 27

ExTRAINaganza. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Great Falls Model Railroad Club, 144 Mill St., Auburn. The club's annual family holiday event features five permanent model train layouts, kids activities, sale items, refreshments and prizes. Again 11/28 (10-4). \$3 (kids 11- free).

Saturday, November 28

Leavitt Ski Team Bottle Drive. Starts at 8 a.m. Team members fan out across Turner, Leeds and Greene to pick up your returnable bottles and/or cash donations: donors entered into raffles. FMI call Mark Evans at 314-1769.

Christmas Fair. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Litchfield Plains Baptist Church, 56 Plains Rd., Litchfield. Handcrafted items, homemade preserves, baked goods, morning coffee, lunch offerings.

Twin Cities Holiday Celebration. Noon to 8:30 p.m. Various locations, downtown Auburn and Lewiston. Activities include a "Festival of Arts and Lights," children and youth programs at both libraries, and the annual Parade of Lights at 6 p.m. See complete listing at www. downtownlewistonassociation.com.

Baked Bean Supper. 5 p.m. United Methodist Church, 469 Park. Ave., Auburn. Baked beans, casseroles, potato salad, hot dogs, coleslaw, breads, beverages and pies. Entertainment by the Park Street Pickers. \$7.

Maine Event Comedy. 7:30 p.m. Sapphire (formerly

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Club Texas), 150 Center St., Auburn. Host Mark Turcotte welcomes Tuck Tucker, Paul Landwehr, Kevin Neales and headliner Johnny Ater. Ages 21-plus; doors at 7 p.m. \$10 advance (maineeventcomedy.com.). \$12 at door. 513-0742.

"Among My Souvenirs." 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Krista Johnson sings the title role in Louis Philippe's musical tribute to Connie Francis. Doors at 6:30 p.m. Cash bar. \$15. 689-2000.

Sunday, November 29

Country Christmas Show. Noon to 5 p.m. Sportsmen's Club, 2782 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. The ME Country Music Assoc. presents Gary Leet & the Country Drifters, the Lost and Found Band, Ken & Jane Brooks, Bing & Nancy Crosby and others. Concessions; bake sale. \$5 (\$3 ages 11-). 268-4494.

Monday, November 30

Author Visit. 6:30 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Longtime TV weatherman Kevin Mannix and his wise, Linda Rota, discuss their new memoir, "Weathering Shame." Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Wednesday, December 2

Concert: Bates Jazz Combo & Vocal Ensemble. 7 p.m. Olin Arts Center Concert Hall, Bates College, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. Seating will be on the Olin Concert Hall stage and is limited. Free. Get tix at bit.ly/oacbates. 786-6135.

Thursday, December 3

Edwardian Christmas Tea. Noon. Auburn Public Library. "Mrs. Gordon," played by Rita Parisi, hosts this event featuring anecdotes, stories and her 1908 Sears & Roebuck's catalog. Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

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YMCA Hall of Fame Celebration. 5 to 7 p.m. Martindale Country Club, Auburn. As part of its annual meeting, the YMCA of Auburn-Lewiston inducts the first four members to its new Hall of Fame. Free. Register by Nov. 23. 795-4095; www.alymca.org.

Concert: Frank Carlberg Quintet. 8 p.m. Olin Arts Center Concert Hall, Bates College, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. The composer-pianist fronts his quintet for a performance featuring musical settings for various works of poetry. Tix free at bit.ly/oacbates. 786-6135.

Friday, December 4

Free Coffee on College Day. Participating establishments mark "College Day" in Andro. County by giving free, small hot coffees to those wearing their college garb or a College for ME sticker. See details at www.lewistonmaine.gov/ collegedaycoffee2015.

Annual Luncheon. 12 to 1:30 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn, Auburn. College for ME marks its 10th year at this annual event featuring testimonials, awards and the launching of its new web site. Register at www.collegeformeandroscoggin.org.

Open House. 4:30 p.m. Pettengill Academy, 1 Atlantis Way, Lewiston. Come learn more and see their new, expanded location. Free. 241-0046; pettengillacademy.com.

Holiday Concert. 7 p.m. Viles Auditorium, Cony H.S., Augusta. The chorus, wind ensemble and jazz band of the Kennebec Performing Arts Company performs. \$8 advance, \$10 at door; those 18- free. 370-

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Saturday, December 5

Holiday Fair. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. American Legion Post #86, 15 Lewiston Road, Gray. Proceeds benefit veterans and their families.

Fall Dance Concert. 5 p.m. Schaeffer Theatre, Bates College, 329 College St., Lewiston. Bates faculty, guest artists and students present new choreography. Again 12/6 (2 p.m.), 12/7 (7:30 p.m.) \$6/\$3; tix at batestickets.com. 786-6161.

Holiday Concert. 7 p.m. Winthrop Performing Arts Center, Winthrop H.S. The chorus, wind ensemble and jazz band of the Kennebec Performing Arts Company performs. \$8 advance, \$10 at door; those 18- free. 370-5381.

Sunday, December 6

Lewiston Winter Farmer's Market. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. St. Mary's Nutrition Center, 208 Bates St., Lewiston. Open first and third Sundays through January; Market Café. Credit cards, SNAP accepted. 513-

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Love The Coopers (PG-13) 3 p.m. Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope & Healing, 29 Lowell St., Lewiston. The public is invited to remember a loved one in the company of others as the Dempsey Center honors those who have died from cancer over the past year.

Monday, December 7

Concert: Bates Steel Pan Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. Olin Arts Center Concert Hall, Bates College, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. This lively, uplifting student ensemble plays authentic West Indies instruments in jazz and other genres. Free. Get tix at bit.ly/oacbates. 786-6135.

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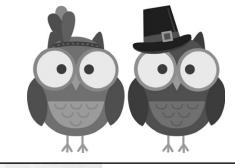
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Thursday, December 10

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Andrucki & King discuss "Mental Illness in the Workplace." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.







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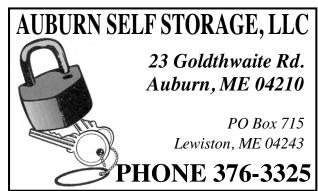
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Veterans Council has space on Monument #28



Among those honored on the monuments of Veterans Memorial Park are three Medal of Honor recipients and veterans of all major U.S. wars and conflicts.

The Lewiston-Auburn Veterans Council would like to remind the community that spaces are still available to have the name of a loved one inscribed on the next monument, #28, of Veterans Memorial Park in Lewiston.

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Apply now for "Earn While You Learn" CNA Program

The Maine College of Health Professions in Lewiston is now accepting applications for its "Earn While You Learn" Certified Nurse's Assistant Program, which runs from February 2 to April 13. The course is designed to provide the knowledge and clinical skills necessary for a student to become a C.N.A. To be listed on the C.N.A. Registry, students must successfully complete the Maine State Certification Examination.

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while taking the course. After successful completion of the state certification exam, applicants agree to work as C.N.A.s at CMH for two years.

The application deadline is December 15. Applicants must meet the college's admission requirements. For more information, contact Erica Watson at 795-2843 or watsoner@cmhc.org or see www.mchp.edu.

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