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## **Christmas Pageant at** St. Dominic Academy



Elementary students of Saint Dominic Academy presented their annual Christmas Pageant at the school's Auburn campus recently. Open to the public, the annual performance, which takes place on the Sunday after the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, is one of many special activities students take part in during the Christmas season.



## "Songs and Sounds of the Season" at United Methodist Church



Wesleyan Singers and Auburn United Ringers at a United Methodist Church Christmas Concert Rehearsal (William Buzza Photo) See more photos and story by Rachel Morin on page 4.

## **CMMC** nurse earns state **Special Merit Award**

Carmen Fortin, a registered nurse clinical educator at Central Maine Medical Center, has been presented with the Maine Emergency Nurses Association Special Merit Award for her work on behalf of the professional organization. An active member of MENA for more than 30 years and involved with her

national organization, Fortin currently serves as chair of the association's Pediatric Committee.

Fortin has 35 years of experience as a practicing emergency nurse, having worked in the Emergency Departments of CMMC and other hospitals in the region. She has served as a clinical nurse educator with



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Carmen Fortin a focus in the area of emergency nursing for 25 years.

A self-described "lifelong learner," Fortin has attained certification as an instructor and instructor

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course director for a host of training programs, including ones administered by the Emergency Nurses Association and the American Heart Association. She works as an educator with physicians, nurses and emergency medical technicians and other healthcare professionals and serves as See CMMC, page 3

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## Hoke joins Central Maine Sports Medicine



Thomas Hoke, M.D.

Thomas Hoke, M.D., has joined the physician staff at Central Maine Sports Medicine, a Central Maine Medical Group practice located in Lewiston. Hoke came to Maine last year to complete a fellowship in sports medicine at Maine Medical Center in Portland. Prior to that, he completed

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a three-year residency at Family Medicine Residency of Idaho, headquartered in Boise.

Hoke graduated from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, WA, as a Phi Sigma National Biology Honor student, NCAA Division III skier, and founding member of the school's club rugby team. He earned his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School in Hanover, NH, in 2011. During his time at Dartmouth Medical School, he was a Gold Humanism Honor Society member.

He is board certified by the American Board of Family Medicine in Family Medicine and Sports Medicine and is a member of the American Medical Society for Sports Medicine, the



Karen Bate-Pelletier

The Board of Directors of Common Ties Mental Health Services has selected Karen Bate-Pelletier as the agency's new Interim Executive Direc-

American College of Sports Medicine, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the Maine Academy of Family Physicians.

He serves as the team physician for both the L/A Fighting Spirit juniors hockey team and Poland Regional High School.

Hoke practices in collaboration with Elizabeth Rothe, M.D., and Peter E. Sedgwick, M.D., at Central Maine Sports Medicine, located in Suite 301 at the Trolley Building, 77 Bates Street in Lewiston. The practice can be at reached at 795-8465.

## Common Ties names Interim Director

with the agency for over 17 years, overseeing several programs and services, most recently in the role of Program Director. She brings to her new position a solid background in employee retention strategies, agency policies and procedures, and a fundamental understanding of major mental health and co-occurring disorders.

Bate-Pelletier holds a B.S. of Mental Health and Human Services from the University of Maine at Augusta, where she graduated with honors. She is also a Certified Mental Health Rehabilitation Technician (MHRT/C). She resides with her husband, a Lewiston Fire Fighter, and her daughter.

For more information about Common Ties, call 795-6710 or visit their office at 12 Bates Street in Lewiston Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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## CMCC names men's hockey coach



Kevin Cady

Central Maine Community College has appointed Kevin Cady as the head coach of its new men's hockey team that is slated to begin play next fall. Cady spent eleven years in hockey operations with the Philadelphia Flyers and Buffalo Sabres organizations. Over the course of his 750 games in professional hockey, he worked closely with many former NHL greats, including Hall of Famers Bernie Parent, Bob Clarke, Bill Barber, Mark Howe and Daryl Sittler. He also served under several top NHL coaches, including Pat Quinn, Bob McCammon and Kevin Dineen.

Cady served as trainer for the 1978 and 1979 American Hockey League (AHL) Maine Mariners Calder Cup Champions, the 1985 NHL Stanley Cup finalist Philadelphia Flyers, and the 2010 AHL Atlantic Division Champion Portland Pirates, then the top affiliate of the Sabres. He was the associate equipment manager for the 2010 AHL All-Star Classic held in Portland.

An off-ice official with the AHL, Cady was a regional scout for the Tier 3 Junior New Mexico Renegades of the Western States Hockey League. Certified as a Level 3 hockey coach by USA Hockey, he is currently the assistant varsity coach and head JV coach at Cheverus High School. He is a graduate of Cheverus and SUNY Empire State College.

Cady owns and operates Cady & Associates Investigation, Inc., a full-service private investigation agency in Portland. He retired in 2010 after a 25-year career in Maine law enforcement.

"We are thrilled to hire Kevin Cady as our new hockey coach," said CMCC Athletic Director Dave Gonyea. "He brings years of experience and many contacts that will be very valuable in the recruiting process, and his disciplined approach and ability to relate to today's players will help put CM on the hockey map."

"I am pleased to be offered the head coaching position at CMCC," said Cady. "The fact that we will build a collegiate team from the ground up is appealing to me. The College and AD Dave Gonyea are building a first-class team."

The CM Mustangs will begin play in the 2016-17 season of the ACHA's Northeast Collegiate Hockey Association. The ACHA (American Collegiate Hockey Association) is an organization of over 415 college and university affiliated programs. The Mustangs will play its home games at Norway Savings Bank Arena in Auburn. For more information, contact Dave Gonyea at dgonyea@cmcc.edu.

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## Governor's Address: A Christmas Message from the Governor

As we gather with friends and family this week to celebrate Christmas, I am reminded how blessed I am to have such a wonderful family.

Dear Maine Taxpayer,

As Governor, it is my number-one priority to provide opportunities for my family to stay in Maine. I know it is just as important to you for your children and grandchildren to live, work and play in our great State.

This holiday season, I hope you are encouraged at the direction Maine is moving.

Last week, we learned the unemployment rate fell to 4.1%-its lowest rate since 2002. More Mainers are working, and that means more Mainers are providing for themselves and their families this holiday season.

Still, there are Mainers struggling, and I don't want those families to lose faith. As your Governor, I



Governor Paul R. LePage

have walked in your shoes. I know how difficult it is to fall on hard times. However, where there is a will, there is a way.

Our Administration continues to work for you, and we will continue to make Maine a better place for all of our sons and daughters to find work, to start businesses and to stay here to raise families of their own.

As we come together for the holidays, we have an opportunity to share goodwill and gratitude and reflect on the blessings we have received year round.

I am proud of our great State and the fortitude of Mainers, and I am looking forward to another year of building opportunities for you and your family.

And while many families are together this Christmas, I would also like to recognize the many families who are apart.

The First Lady and I are thinking of our military service members who are serving away from their loved ones this Christmas.

We thank you for your dedication and courage as you defend our nation and the freedoms we hold dear. We look forward to your safe return.

Also, I wish to thank our military families for all their sacrifices while your loved ones are away.

I wish you and your families, near and far, a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy Holidays to all.

> Thank You, Paul R. LePage Governor

## CMMC

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the lead advanced life support faculty for Tri-County Emergency Medical Services AHA training center.

A graduate of the Central Maine General Hospital School of Nursing, she later earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Southern Maine. She has presented at a number of professional conferences on topics in pediatric, cardiac and trauma nursing care and has authored articles published in "The Journal of Emergency Nursing." She is currently enrolled in the master's family nurse practitioner program through Walden University, with intent to practice in an office setting providing primary care.

Fortin is actively involved in community service by participating in public suppers and Earth Day clean-up activities and by serving meals at the community soup kitchen in Brunswick. She serves as a trustee at the Elijah Kellogg Church in Harpswell and is involved in other activities sponsored by her church. She assisted two churches within her community in obtaining Automated External Defibrillators and provides free Basic Life Support classes to community members. She is involved in her daughters' school activities and is the treasurer of her youngest daughter's ice hockey team at Mount Ararat High School. She resides in Harpswell.

## Carbonite named a top place to work in Maine

Carbonite, Inc., a leading provider of cloud and hybrid business continuity solutions for small and midsize businesses, recently announced that its Customer Care Center in Lewiston has been voted the Sixth Best Place to Work in Maine in the Large Employer Category, according to the Maine State Council of the Society for Human Resources Management. The recognition, which demonstrates continued improvement over last year's ranking as 13th overall, coincides with a major corporate recruitment effort to hire local talent in technical support positions.

"We are honored to be named as one of the best places to work in Maine for the second year in a row," said Robert Frost, VP of Customer Care at Carbonite. "Our employees are our #1 asset and the key to providing world class customer satisfaction. We firmly believe that a happy employee will send that smile right over the phone to the customer. And with a customer satisfaction rate of 94%, we know that we're doing something right. This award is a testament to our skilled support team members, who work hard for their customers and for themselves."

As the needs of Carbonite customers grow, quality technical support skills are in high demand. The company is currently recruiting for more than 50 open Technical Support Representative positions, which play a critical role in providing support to the company's customers. Candidates for these positions will benefit from a promote-from-within approach where they can quickly gain the training and skills needed to build successful long-term careers.

As part of the company's employee-first approach, Carbonite Customer Care team members enjoy a comprehensive benefits package, including health, dental and life insurance and short- and longterm disability benefits; four weeks of PTO for salaried employees, along with education reimbursement, family gym memberships and a corporate 401(K) match; monetary incentives based on customer satisfaction scores as well as referral bonuses for new hires; work-life balanced scheduling, which ensures that no employees work two weekend days; hands-on training in the center's IT lab, where team members can see and touch the same hardware used by customers; and opportunity for advanced technical training and certifications, including the Microsoft MTA Windows Server Fundamentals for Admins, all from within the company's in-house Pearson VUE certification testing center.

"Our fast growth means we're presenting a unique opportunity for talented individuals in Maine

to be a part of the top Customer Service and Technical Support organization in the world," Frost continued. "If you're looking to build your career in a great working environment and want to feel valued, encouraged, rewarded and challenged while doing it, Carbonite is the place for you."

For more information about careers at Carbonite, see www.carbonite.com/en/ about/careers.

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## Out & About with Rachel Morin "Songs and Sounds of the Season" at United Methodist Church



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Mary Coffin enjoyed her pie with Dad, Dana Coffin, and little brother, John Coffin. Mary's Mom is Caroline Coffin, Director of the Wesleyan Singers.

#### Story and photos by Rachel Morin

The Songs and Sounds of the Season" as presented by the United Methodist Church of Auburn, is a popular annual Christmas favorite in the Twin City area. It is always well done and certainly the home baked pies by the women of the church served at the concert's conclusion add to the festive gathering.

The church is beautifully decorated with the warm colors of the Christ-

mas season and children are decked out in their finest Christmas apparel. It is always a full house and folks have learned to come early to ensure a good seat. They come from towns way beyond the Park Avenue church location.

The Wesleyan Singers directed by Caroline Coffin performed the first half with many favorite Christmas hymns including "Mary Did You Know" with Barry Doyle on vocal and guitar and "Stille Nacht"



The women of the Auburn United Methodist Church's successful Pie Social following the Annual Christmas Concert stand proudly behind every home backed pie you can think of. The bakers include l to r, Donna Manson, chair; Nancy Beatrice, Nancy Wilkins, Pam Vigue, Jan Wilkinson and Savannah Cummings.

with Caroline Coffin and Mark Schlotterbeck, vocalists. Mitchell Thomas sang a medley of Holiday favorites accompanied by Car-

oline Coffin and Hayden Thomas.

The Auburn Methodist Ringers directed by See Sounds, page 5



David and Judy Sargent are regulars at the Christmas event. Judy is one of the Wesleyan Singers.



Three week old Carrson Robert Carr with his entourage, Mom Lindsay Carr, doting Great Grandma Helen Shelton, and attentive Aunt Amanda Carr. He slept through the entire performance, even with the bells ringing merrily.





## Enough is Enough The Season of Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and Festivus

By Robert E. Macdonald MAYOR OF LEWISTON

It's the most wonderful time of the year: the holiday season. Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa fill the festive calendars of many people, and for our many Grinches we have Festivus.

Children wait anxiously for a day that seems destined to never come. The pressures placed on parents to get ready for the holiday season seems to come upon them like a speeding out-of-control train. To the elderly, it seems like the train is heading for the finish line.

The season brings out religious aspects. The menorah and the Christ child are prominently displayed throughout cities and towns. Of course, there is the yearly visit of Santa Claus. Over the years, children have bombarded Santa with their long wish lists for Christmas Day. This year the overwhelming majority of children are only requesting one gift.

Growing up in Boston, the Yuletide season brought an ecumenical spirit to the city. Jordan Marsh & Company, like Lewiston's Peck department store, was the hub of holiday activity until both were consigned to the dustbin of history.

Jordan Marsh was

#### Lewiston City Inaugural Ceremony ing Lewiston City Council

and the incoming Lewiston

School Committee. Speak-

ing at the event will be the

mayor, as well as the new

City Council President and

the new School Committee

Chairperson, both of whom

will be elected as part of the

Inaugural exercises.

The 2016 Lewiston City Inaugural Ceremony will take place on Monday, January 4 at 7 p.m. at the Franco Center at 46 Cedar Street in Lewiston. Taking the Oath of Office at the event will be incoming Mayor Robert Macdonald, the incom-

Sounds

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William Buzza had the second half of the concert with "Ukrainian Bell Carol" and "In the Bleak Midwinter," as part of their repertoire. The combined group finished the evening concert with "Sing We Now of Christmas." The audience was invited to sing old favorites which they joined in enthusiastically, ending with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Among the young revelers was three week old Carrson Robert Carr who slept through the entire performance, wrapped in his own comfy, snuggy sling accompanied by his entourage: Mom,

Lindsay Carr, doting Great Grandma Helen Shelton, and attentive Aunt Amanda Carr. He continued to sleep through all the admiring glances and comments. A pie social always follows the concert and there is every pie you can ever think of. Coffee is served along with the pies, as well as other beverages. Little Mary Coffin enjoyed her pie seated with Dad, Dana Coffin and little brother, John Coffin. Mary's Mom is Caroline Coffin, who directs the Wesleyan Singers. Members of Boy Scout Troop 111 were on hand earlier to help with the parking. A free will offering collected at the end of the evening went to support the purchase of new tents for their camping trips.

## FEMA taking applications for firefighter grants

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U.S. Senators Susan Collins, Co-Chair of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, and Angus King, a member of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, have announced that the Federal Emergency Management Agency is now accepting applications for grant funding through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. The application period will close on January 15 at 5 p.m.

AFG Program funding assists fire departments and nonaffiliated ambulance and emergency medical service organizations in meeting their firefighting and emergency response needs. The program provides federal funding that enables these organizations to purchase equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources to better protect the public and emergency personnel.

"The Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program provides invaluable support to protect the firefighters and emergency health professionals who risk their lives protecting us every day," said Senators Collins and King in a joint statement. "We encourage Maine fire departments and emergency organizations to utilize this program for help obtaining the vital resources they need to do their jobs."

Guidelines for fire departments and other organizations interested in applying for AFG grants are available at www.grants.gov and http://www.fema.gov/ firegrants/afggrants/index. shtm.

Applicants requiring assistance should see www. fema.gov/grants or contact

the AFG Help Desk at

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Thanksgiving and continuing through the New Year, the seventh floor of its Boston store was transformed into an animated enchanted village.

with shops run by elves, who were producing items to be distributed by Santa on Christmas Eve. Children made their way down the animated streets with their eyes widely opened. Adults were introduced to the merriment of the season brought on by an unknown mist, similar to the magical dust sprinkled on the population by Dickens' Ghost of Christmas Present.

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Jan Phillips and Associate

Executive Director Joan

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organization recently hired

Maggie Davis as Director.

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## College for ME receives \$45k grant

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College for ME-Anlieving in and supporting droscoggin has received a the pursuit of educational \$45,000 grant from the John attainment." T. Gorman Foundation to "All young people in Androscoggin County desupport the agency's strate-

serve the chance to earn a degree, regardless of the barriers they may face," said John T. Gorman Foundation President and CEO Tony Cipollone. "The John T. Gorman Foundation is proud to support College for ME-Androscoggin as it strengthens its community partnerships, working towards a future where higher education is a possibility for everyone in the region." Based in Portland, the John T. Gorman Foundation advances ideas and opportunities that can improve the lives of disadvantaged people in Maine.

The mission of College for ME-Androscoggin is to dramatically increase

I told this story to a prominent Jewish acquaintance of mine. He informed me that his grandmother was Irish Catholic permitting him to celebrate both occasions.

Lastly, we have Festivus. This is for the Grinches that seek their 30 seconds of fame, hoping to deny millions Christmas happiness. To them I say: this year, air your grievances to the Festivus Pole in the privacy of your living room. In order to conclude your Festivus celebration, I will supply two right-wing Sumo wrestlers for the feats of strength.

Have a Merry and a Holy Christmas.

the number of degree holders in Androscoggin County by providing career and college counseling for adults, helping teens take tuitionfree early college courses while in high school, and enabling multiple generations in families to access and succeed in college. The organization also works with businesses that are interested in furthering employee education. For more information, about College for ME-Androscoggin, call 784-2463 or see www. c4me-a.org.







Mayor Bob Macdonald

owned by the Mitton family, who were Jewish. But their celebration of Christmas exceeded that of the Dickens character Mr. Fezzywig. Starting at

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## Page 6 Out & About with Rachel Morin

## Wreaths Across America Day at Togus National Cemetery



Two huge trucks were quickly emptied with volunteers laying 2,000 wreaths on Veterans' graves.

#### Story and photos by Rachel Morin

I joined The Outdoor Adventure Club at USM's Lewiston Auburn Senior College, led by co-chairs Patricia Vampatella and Cindy Boyd, participating in the National Wreaths Across America Day. It was held on Saturday, December 12, this year, coordinating as always, with groups across the country with the noontime ceremony held at Arlington National Cemetery. We joined hundreds of volunteers laying wreaths on Veterans' graves at the Togus National Cemetery.

Michael Edgecomb of Spruce Head, coordinator of volunteers and the wreath distribution, greeted everyone from a small knoll at the cemetery, thanking the volunteers for their dedication and enthusiasm and directed them to the sections where the wreaths would be distributed.

Two huge trucks

rolled in with 2,000 wreaths provided by the Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington in Washington County. It is now in its 24<sup>th</sup> year of providing wreaths for Veteran servicemen and servicewomen's headstones at Arlington. It is hoped that one day ALL graves will be so honored with a wreath. Convoys of trucks left for Arlington a week before, stopping along the way at schools, museums and churches as people gathered to talk with them. Many times, food and lodging were offered.

Within half an hour of receiving the wreaths on Saturday, volunteers had decorated 2,000 Veterans' graves in the designated sections at Togus. The fresh evergreen scent filled the air. The red-ribboned wreaths made a lovely scene covering the rows of white headstones.

The noontime ceremony held simultaneously across the country and syn-



Doherty gave us many interesting facts about the cemetery and took us to see the grave sites of two Congressional Medal of Honor recipients. One was Landsman John Preston who served in the Union Navy onboard the USS Oneida during the Civil War. The other recipient was Pvt. David John Scannell who served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Boxer Rebellion in China. Both men were seriously wounded and remained in battle despite their wounds.

We attended the noontime ceremony held at the flagpole. Rev. James Luoma. Chief Chaplain of the Pentecostal Ministry, led the crowd in prayer. Representatives were called from all branches of the U.S. Services and each Unit laid a commemorative wreath at the base of the *See* Wreaths, page 7



USM's Lewiston Auburn Senior College Outdoor Adventures Club. Front, Claire Bilodeau, Terry Bazinet, Susan Matthews, Patricia Hall, Mary Jane Beardsley, Cindy Boyd; Back, Joanne Sabourin, Adriann Tucker, Sue Tymoczko, Patricia Vampatella, Les and Charlotte Bosworth.



The scent of fresh evergreens filled the air and red-ribboned wreaths covering the rows of white headstones made a pleasing picture.



Isaiah Warner, left, and Noah Warner, sons of Dan and Jill Warner of Auburn, were very pleased to be helping with decorating the Veterans' headstones.



## **BE MERRY, BE BRIGHT**

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Rev. James Luoma, Chief Chaplain of the Pentecostal Ministry, leads the crowd in prayer.



Jim Doherty of Brunswick, Historian/Custodian at Togus, led a narrated tour of the cemetery, including the gravesites of two Congressional Medal of Honor recipients.



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A large contingent of Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts participated.



## Adult Ed. offers WorkReady program, Bio-Chem Boot Camp

Lewiston Adult Education is now accepting registrations for two new classes scheduled to begin in early January. If you are preparing for a STEM or health care degree program or want to refresh your science knowledge, consider taking the Bio-Chem Boot Camp from January 4 through 16. This program will provide an intensive review of core concepts in general biology, including an overview of cells, genetics, heredity, microbiology and ecology, as well as topics in chemistry, such as atoms and molecular structures. Virtual classes will be based at Lewiston Adult Education for video conferencing on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5 to 8 p.m., with online assignments between sessions. The group will meet for two all-day Saturday

lab sessions held at Gray-New Gloucester High School. The cost of the twoweek program is \$96. For more information or to register, call 795-4141.

## Poliquin invites students to enter App Challenge

Congressman Bruce Poliquin is inviting high school students from Maine's Second District to participate in the second annual Congressional App Challenge. The Challenge is a national competition aimed at developing students' STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) skills and celebrating their creativity in coding their own applications.

"I encourage all high school students in the Second District to enter this exciting contest," said Poliquin. "STEM-related jobs are among Maine's fastest-growing and highest-paying. By developing these in-demand skills today, our Second District students will be better prepared for success in the workforce tomorrow, and our Great State will be more competitive globally in attracting and retaining innovative industries that create good jobs and grow our economy." Poliquin will personally recognize the winning students or student teams, who must submit their original apps by the January 15 deadline. Winners will have their apps featured in a display in the U.S. Capitol Building and on the Congressional App Challenge website. For more information about the Congressional App Challenge or to enter, contact Congressman Poliquin's office in Lewiston at 784-0768) or select "ME-02" at www.congressionalappchallenge.us/participating-districts.

Lewiston Adult Education will also host a WorkReady training program starting on January 4. WorkReady is an intensive 80-hour program provided free of charge to eligible participants who need help with job searches and would like to increase their job skills. Space in this program is limited. For more information or to begin the application process, contact the Lewiston Career Center at 753-9001.

The brochure for all of Lewiston Adult Education's classes is set to be released at the end of December. Registration for enrichment and other classes will begin in January.

## What's Going On

## LPL seeks new members for Friends group

Lewiston Public Library has a support organization called the Friends of LPL, which has been supporting the library since the mid-1980s. Back in the late 1990s, this group was largely responsible, along with the City of Lewiston, for expanding the library into the modern cultural learning center it has become.

Today, the fundraising that the Friends does for the library primarily supports programs for children, teens and adults, and also supplements the library's book budget. In times of tight municipal funding, donations provided by the Friends allow the library to continue to provide quality services to all segments of the community.

The membership fee for the Friends of LPL starts as low as \$20 per year for an individual (only \$15 for seniors or students). Several categories of membership are available: Student-Senior, \$15; Individual, \$20; Family, \$30; Patron, \$50 to \$99; Sponsor, \$100 to \$249; and Benefactor, \$250 or more. The group is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization and all membership donations are tax deductible.

To join, send a check, made out to "Friends of LPL," to Lewiston Public Library, 200 Lisbon Street, Lewiston, ME 04240, or make a secure Paypal donation on the Friends of LPL webpage by clicking "Connect with Us" and then "Friends of LPL" at lplonline.org.

## Wreaths

Continued from page 6 flagpole. A Three Gun Salute was fired followed by a bugle playing "Taps" which concluded the ceremony. The Retiring of the Colors was a fitting finale.

Senior College members were honored to participate in Wreaths Across America and found the experience moving and gratifying to be part of the nationwide event. It was their second year participating and it is now an annual event on their calendar.

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## What's Going On

## St. Mary's patients to benefit from MaineHealth-Dana-Farber partnership

Maine's largest healthcare provider is teaming with one of the nation's foremost cancer specialty institutes to give the people of southern Maine and Carroll County, NH, improved access to the best possible cancer care. MaineHealth has formed a partnership with Dana-Farber Cancer Institute of Boston, through which cancer patients at the 11 MaineHealth member and affiliated hospitals will have streamlined access to Dana-Farber for complex specialty care and clinical trials. One of those

affiliated hospitals is St. Mary's Health System in Lewiston.

Dana-Farber will provide consultation, training and other services to physicians and their teams throughout the Maine-Health system. Maine-Health and Dana-Farber will also work together to expand or develop a wide range of survivorship, second-opinion, education and personalized medicine initiatives offered by Maine-Health.

The agreement creates a full continuum of cancer care to be offered through MaineHealth, starting with many treatments that can be provided close to home at local hospitals, including St. Mary's. More complex cases can be addressed at Maine Medical Center, the state's largest tertiary care hospital. For the most complex and challenging cases, Dana Farber's resources can be leveraged to provide the most advanced treatments and clinical trials.

"As a MaineHealth affiliate, St. Mary's and our patients will reap the benefits of this partnership through improved access, streamlined care, enhanced communication and access to clinician expertise," said Christopher A. Chekouras, President and CEO of St. Mary's. "This partnership is a definite 'win' for our patients and our community."

MaineHealth is a not-for-profit family of leading high-quality providers and other healthcare organizations working together to make their communities the healthiest in America. Ranked among the nation's top 100 integrated healthcare delivery networks, MaineHealth member organizations include Maine Medical Center, Franklin Community Health Network, Lincoln County Healthcare, Maine Behavioral Healthcare,





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Memorial Hospital, Pen Bay Healthcare, Southern Maine Health Care, Waldo County Healthcare, Western Maine Health, Home-Health Visiting Nurses, NorDx and Synernet.

Affiliates of Maine-Health include MaineGeneral Health, Mid Coast-Parkview Health, New England Rehabilitation Hospital of Portland and St. Mary's Health System.

### Local charter school will open in September



ACADIA Academy has received approval from the Department of Education to open its doors in September of 2016. In its first year, the school, located on Westminster Road in Lewiston, will provide a comprehensive educational program to children in Pre-K, Kindergarten, and first and second grades. Additional grades will be added each year through sixth grade. The school is free to all students in the State of Maine.

ACADIA (a Charter Academy for Developing Independence and Achieve-

educational experience for children in Lewiston, Auburn and surrounding towns. Through an innovative approach to education, children will be supported as learners in and out of the classroom, experiencing a unique blend of classroom instruction and hands-on experiential opportunity.

Designed to capture the interests of its students in Pre-K through sixth grade, ACADIA Academy will offer accelerated learning opportunities and the support necessary to pursue special units of interest. In its extended year program, students will have the option to attend free summer learning institutes, geared towards the prevention of summer learning loss and to maximize student potential.

For more information, call Michelle Hathaway at 376-3022 or see www. ment) will provide a unique ACADIAACADEMY.org.

### **Good Food Council of** L/A hosts conference

Over 50 people from around the state, including wholesale food purchasers, food producers and interested community members, gathered at the Franco Center in Lewiston recently for an inaugural social event designed to increase Farm-to-Institution activity. Called "Central Maine Meet the Buyers," the event was hosted by the Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn.

During the event, participants had an opportunity to introduce their business to the group and share personal reflections of barriers encountered or solutions found to successful local food wholesale selling and purchasing. Local Farm-to-Institution experts discussed resources available, such as new grant-funded assistance for GAP certification for Maine farmers. There was also time for networking and enjoying a locally-sourced meal. After the event, contact information for those in attendance was emailed to the group.

"When we finally put up the mobile high tunnel this year, we had a pristine location in which to grow a test plot of about 20 row-feet of gorgeous, perfect arugula," shared Karen Bolduc, Vice Chair of the Good Food Council of L-A and director of Food Joy and South See GFC, page 10

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## What's Going On

## YMCA receives \$2,500 grant for computer literacy activities

The YMCA of Auburn-Lewiston has received a \$2,500 grant from the Agnes M. Lindsay Trust to provide computer literacy activities in its school-age programs. The funds will be used to purchase computers, tablets and audio-visual equipment for the YMCA's before and after school classrooms, which serve over 350 children per week. The equipment will be used to provide age-appropriate computer literacy activities to help build students' skills and confidence with technology. The grant will leverage funds from the YMCA's corporate sponsors, Center Street Dental and JCW NAPA Distributors.

The award comes on the heels of the YMCA of the USA's Achievement Gap Convening, which took place November 9 through 12 in Washington, D.C. Three members of the YMCA's management team, CEO Steven Wallace, early childhood education director Michelle Cyr, and marketing

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and advancement director Victoria Stanton, attended the conference to learn more about collaborating with local schools to close the achievement gap for local children.

'The achievement gap is a very real phenomenon that negatively affects all children's learning, but disproportionately limits children from lower socioeconomic groups," said Cyr. "The effect starts as early as first grade, creating a gap that widens year after year unless schools and community organizations take action."

Nationally, YMCA programs are already making a difference in student performance. Research by the Wallace Foundation and RAND Education shows that literacy intervention programs like those offered through YMCA Achievement Gap initiatives increase second graders' reading levels by an average of three grade levels. Seventy-one percent of parents whose children participated in YMCA after

school programs reported improved social and emotional skills, and more than half of students improved school conduct and increased their self-efficacy.

By adding structured computer time into its programs, the YMCA aims to give students additional exposure to technologies and academic support that they may not have access to at home. In addition, the YMCA will seek partnerships with local schools who wish to tap into additional Achievement Gap resources available through the YMCA

## **Troop 121 offers** Christmas tree pick-up



For a small donation, Boy Scout Troop 121 of Auburn will pick up your tree at curbside on the weekend of Jan. 9-10.

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of the USA. These resources include potential grant funding, evidence-based curricula and research findings.

Based in New Hampshire, the Agnes M. Lindsay Trust supports a variety of enrichment and community betterment projects, with a special focus on education and creating opportunities for children in rural and underserved areas.

For more information about the YMCA's schoolage programs and Achievement Gap initiatives, contact Michelle Cyr at 795-4095 or mcyr@alymca.org.

For a small donation,

## New pediatrics group coming to Freeport



The Freeport Pediatrics team includes (l. to r.) pediatric nurse practitioner Elena Wagner, R.N., C.P.N.P. and pediatricians Ann Tuddenham, M.D. and Kristen Brown, M.D.

Maine will have a new option for their children's primary care when Freeport Pediatrics, a new practice of seasoned healthcare pro-

January 9 and 10. Trees should not be placed at curbside until the morning of January 9.

Donations collected will directly support troop scouting activities. Troop 121 was created to help give youth with special physical, mental and emotional challenges the opportunity to succeed in a safe Scouting environment that builds character, encourages citizenship, teaches life skills and develops personal fitness.

To make a pick-up request, send your donation by January 7 to Troop 121, United Methodist Church, 439 Park Avenue, Auburn, ME 04210. The troop will then send you a tag to place on your tree when you put it at curbside. For more information about this program or the troop, call 783-0790.



Families in Midcoast viders, opens in Freeport next month. Located at 23 Durham Road, the practice will begin seeing patients on January 4. Freeport Pe-See Freeport, page 15

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Auburn Organic Farm. "However, after checking in with our usual natural food stores and restaurant buyers, most of it ended up in the compost. Timing and quantity for local wholesale growing and procurement are tough challenges to overcome. I'm so glad to see this much local interest in discussing solutions."

The event was made possible by the sponsorship of Grow L+A, Bates College, the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments, the Oxford Micro-Distribution Project, R. Belanger and Son's Farm, the Maine Network of Community Food Councils and the Maine Food Atlas. To learn more about the Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn, contact Council Coordinator Julia Harper at 346-0538 or see www.goodfood4la.org.



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## Swingin' Bears offer square dance class



Swingin' Bears club president Paul LaRoche poses with the stuffed toys the club collected for Right Start for Kids in December. The club's beginner square dance class starts January 6.

The Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club of South Paris will present a square dance class for beginners starting January 6. Offered through Oxford Hills-Buckfield Adult Education, the class will meet every Wednesday night for 15 weeks from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in the cafeteria of Oxford Hills Middle School at 100 Pine Street. Singles, couples, and families are welcome. The class instructor will be Ray Hilton of Saco. Club members will be on hand to help the beginners. The charge for the course is \$45 per person. Payment should be made out to The Swingin' Bears, c/o Esther Tucker, Treasurer. For more information, call 998-5359.

Square dancing is a great way to relax, have fun and make new friends. The club's dances, which take place on the second Saturday of every month except January and August, are attended by members from all over the state and beyond. In December, the club collected 208 stuffed toys for Right Start for Kids through Community Concepts of Oxford Hills. Franco Center presents New Year's Eve "Dinner, Dance, Drop and Draw!"

On Thursday, December 31, the Franco Center will celebrate New Year's Eve and ring in 2016 with a year-ending "Dinner, Dance, Drop and Draw!" After the doors and bar open for a fun and elegant evening at 7 p.m., a delicious buffet dinner, prepared and served by the Franco Center staff, will be served from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. After that, guests will dance to live music from across the decades, performed by nine-piece band Every Other Sunday. Then, just before mid-

night, everyone will ascend to the center's magnificent Performance Hall, with its own "balloon drop," champagne toast and drawing of the evening's New Year's L/A prize, for the Times Square countdown to 2016 on the big screen.

Dinner will be French Onion Soup or House Salad and slow-roasted prime rib *au jus* or baked stuffed haddock *au gratin*. Either choice will be served with baked potato or rice pilaf and a seasonal vegetable medley.



Guests will dance the night away to music by Every Other Sunday when the Franco Center rings in the New Year on Thursday, December 31.

The dessert choices will be French apple tart with caramel sauce and peppermint stack cake.

Seating is limited, so early reservations are recommended. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$75 per couple,

#### which covers everything, including entry into the grand prize drawing worth over \$1,000. For tickets, drop by the box office at 46 Cedar Street, call 689-2000, or purchase them online at FrancoCenter.org.

## Lisbon Historical meeting spotlights Slovak family ties

Most Lisbon-area residents, including those from



Durham, Pejepscot and Bowdoin, know about or have connections to families who came to the area from the Slovakia region of Europe about a century ago.

On Wednesday, December 30 at 7 p.m., a special meeting of the Lisbon Historical Society will feature a talk by Deeb Keamy, who will discuss the results of his extensive research on the many Slovak families *See* **Thoughts**, *page 13* 

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## Twin City Nights

### Galleries seek submissions for upcoming show

The Union of Maine Visual Artists is seeking art in any medium that explores the themes of lust, passion, companionship and/or sweetness for an upcoming four-gallery exhibit celebrating these aspects of love. The themes are open to interpretation and can be depicted separately or combined.

The opening reception will take place on Saturday, February 13 from 4 to 7 p.m. The exhibit will be displayed

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at The Studio, 291 Lisbon Street in Lewiston (lust); LA Arts, 221 Lisbon Street in Lewiston (passion); Wicked Illustrations Studio and Gallery, 140 Canal Street in Lewiston (companionship); and The Hive at Warehouse 550, 550 Lisbon Street in Lewiston (sweetness). The exhibits will be free and open to the public.

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well presented and ready to hang or display. All canvas and framed art should be wired; saw tooth and loop hole hanging mechanisms will not be accepted. Please provide secured podiums for sculpture and displays for jewelry. There is no entry fee. The deadline is Friday, January 15, but artists are encouraged to submit early because jurying will be done as submissions are received. Artists may submit up to three images in JPG format, with file names in the form "title-artist-dimensions", to the email address below. For more information, email UMVALewistonAuburn@gmail.com.

## YWCA offers Try-Me Week, Lifeguard Training

The YWCA of Central Maine will offer a variety of special activities this week for Winter Break. Their regular activities schedule will resume on January 3. Magic Y-World, their

In the spirit of the great comedy teams of the past, two of Maine's premiere variety performers, Michael Menes and Leland Faulkner, will celebrate the new year by presenting their contemporary comedy show on Thursday, December 31 at 8 p.m. in the Buckfield Junior-Senior High School auditorium. As SNAFU!, Menes

and Faulkner conspire to bring Murphy's Law to life. In the tradition of classic American comedy teams such as Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy, and Jerry



Michael Menes and Leland Faulkner, a.k.a. SNAFU!, perform at Buckfield Junior-Senior High School on Thursday, December 31.

inative illusions. The duo recently opened the Shanghai International Comedy Festival and the Bengbu International Clown Festival in China, where they performed

Red Cross Lifeguard Training class will be offered on December 29, 30 and 31 from 9 to 6:15 p.m. This course teaches the knowledge and skills required to prevent and, if necessary, respond appropriately to aquatic emergencies. The course also includes American Red Cross CPR/AED for professional rescuers and standard first aid.

Participants must be at least 15 years old and able to See YWCA, page 13

over 30 shows in September and October. The show is suitable for all ages and will include hand shadows, juggling and audience participation.

The evening is sponsored in part by the Buckfield High School Drama Club. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$8 for youth ages 17 and under. They can be purchased at Tilton's Market in Buckfield or online at www. snafu.eventgrid.com.

In case of bad weather, the show will be take place on Saturday, January 2 at 8 p.m. Buckfield High is located at 160 Morrill Street. For more information about SNAFU!, see www.snafucomedy.com.

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SNAFU! rings in new year with comedy show

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#### Thursday, December 24

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#### Monday, December 28

Winter Classic Hockey Tournament. Norway Savings Bank Arena, 985 Turner St., Auburn. Opening round matches today at 12:50, 3:00, 5:10 and 7:20 (when and St. Dom's takes on Cheverus). Cont. 12/29-30.

#### Wednesday, December 30

Lisbon Historical Soc. Meeting. 7 p.m. Room 10, MTM Center, School St., Lisbon Falls. Deeb Keamy discusses the database of information he has compiled on the Slovak families of Lisbon, Topsham, Durham, and Bowdoin. Free. 353-8510.

#### Thursday, December 31

Dinner, Dance, Drop and Draw! 7 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St.,



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Lewiston. Ring in the New Year with a buffet dinner, dancing to live music, a grand prize drawing and midnight balloon drop. \$40 per person. 689-2000; FrancoCenter.org.

SNAFU! Comedy Show. 8 p.m. Buckfield Junior-Senior H.S., 160 Morrill St. Michael Menes and Leland Faulkner present a fun-for-all-ages evening of sight gags and illusions. \$12/10/8. snafucomedy.com.

#### Sunday, January 3

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 17; Market Café. Credit

cards, SNAP accepted. 513-3848.

#### Monday, January 4

Lewiston City Inaugural Ceremony. 7 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Taking the Oath of Office are the incoming Mayor, City Council and School Committee. A dessert reception follows. Free. 513-3124.

#### Wednesday, January 6

Disney on Ice. 7 p.m. Cross Insurance Arena, Portland. This family program brings stories from the Disney animated film vault vividly to life. Tix start at \$15. Runs thru 1/10 (Sat. at 11, 3 and 7:00; Sun. at 11 and 3:00). 800-745-3000; www.ticketmaster.com.

#### St. Dom's Winter Classic set for Dec. 28-30

Saint Dominic Academy will host the boy's hockey teams from Cheverus and Bangor High Schools, along with several schools from out of state, for its 2015 Winter Classic invitational hockey tournament, taking place at Auburn's Norway Savings Bank Arena December 28 through 30. The other competing teams will be Rice Memorial High School of South Burlington, VT; Bishop Brady High School of Concord, NH; Smithfield High School of Smithfield, RI; Northwest Catholic High School of West

## YWCA

Continued from page 12 complete a 300-yard swim, a timed deep water object removal, and to tread water for two minutes without using hands. The prerequisite test will take place on the first day of class. Registrants are encouraged to visit the YWCA for free during its Open Swim times to prepare for the prerequisite test.

The cost of the class is for YWCA members

Hartford, CT; and Kennebecasis Valley High School of Quispamsis, New Brunswick.

The opening round games on Monday, December 28 will be Bishop Brady H.S. vs. Bangor H.S. (12:50 p.m.); Rice Memorial H.S. vs. Northwest Catholic H.S. (3 p.m.); Kennebecasis Valley H.S. vs. Smithfield H.S. (5:10 p.m.); and Cheverus H.S. vs. St. Dominic Academy H.S. (7:20 p.m.) Games on Tuesday, December 29 will begin at 12:50 p.m., followed at 3:00, 5:10 and 7:20 p.m., with match-ups depending upon the prior day's results. Day three of

functions. For more information about specific activities or membership, call 795-4050 or see www. ywca maine.org.

## Thoughts

Continued from page 11 who settled in this area. His research includes family names and their meanings in their original languages, as well as the towns and countries from which the families came. He has also collected some of their family stories. Keamy, who recently visited Slovakia, has information on nearly 400 Slovak family names from this area, so if you have a Slovak connection, he likely has information about your family in his database. Printouts will be provided to those attending who have Slovak family connections. Keamy calls his presentation "Falcons in the Pines: A Database of Slovak Families in Lisbon, Topsham, Durham, and Bowdoin." He explains that the word for "falcon" in Slovak is "sokol," and that the Sokol movement established gymnastics teams at numerous Slovak clubs throughout the

the tourney will feature games at noon and 2:10 p.m. on both rinks of the Norway Savings Bank Arena.

"The goal of the St. Dom's Winter Classic is to provide a high caliber and unique hockey experience to student athletes and to our community," said St. Dom's Athletic Director Keith Weatherbie. "It showcases the proud tradition of St. Dom's hockey and, along with the Norway Savings Bank Arena, we look forward to hosting one of the best high school hockey tournaments in the northeast."

United States, including the Slovak Catholic Association in Lisbon Falls.

The meeting will take place in Room 10 of the MTM Center on School Street in Lisbon Falls. Room 10 is located at the front of the center, so it will be more convenient to use the front entrance. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 353-8510 or visit the Lisbon Historical Society page on Facebook.

Tuesday, January 12 Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Brann & Isaacson discuss "Legacy Planning for the Sandwich Generation." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.

#### Sunday, January 17

Lewiston Winter Farmer's Market. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. St. Mary's Nutrition Center, 208 Bates St., Lewiston. Stock up on local supplies on this last day of the market's winter season; Market Café. Credit cards, SNAP accepted. 513-3848.

Tuesday, January 26

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Brann & Isaacson discuss "The I-9 Process." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty. com.

#### Thursday, February 11

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Linnell, Choate & Webber discuss "The Small Claims Court Process for Account Collection and Other Business Disputes." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.

Tuesday, February 23 Legal Advisory Work-

shop. Noon to 1:15 p.m.

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#### Thursday, March 24

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Andrucki & King discuss "The Potential Impact of Divorce on a Business Owner." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.

#### Tuesday, April 12

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Eaton Peabody discuss "Perils and Pitfalls of Online Marketing." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www.androscoggincounty.com.

#### Thursday, April 28

Legal Advisory Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Reps. from Linnell, Choate & Webber discuss "Construction Law in Maine - for Homeowners and General or Subcontractors." \$50 (members \$25). Register at www. androscoggincounty.com.



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The gym is available for rent to host parties or



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## Freeport

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diatrics will offer a comprehensive range of pediatric healthcare services for infants, children, teens, and young adults up to the age of 21.

The practice will be staffed by two pediatricians, Ann Tuddenham, M.D. and Kristen Brown, M.D., pediatric nurse practitioner Elena Wagner, R.N., C.P.N.P. and support staff. All three providers are residents of the communities the new practice will serve. Ann Tuddenham

comes to Freeport Pediat-

rics from Bayview Pediatrics in Yarmouth, where she saw patients for eight years. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. Her professional interests include infant mental health, pediatric psychopharmacology and maternal postpartum depression. A graduate of Poole College in Dorset, England, she earned her medical degree from Guy's Hospital Medical School in London. She was named one of U.S. News & World Report's "Top Doctors" in 2012.

Kristen Brown is currently on staff at Central Maine Medical Center's Family Medicine Residency in Lewiston. She will continue her involvement with the program while serving pediatric patients in Freeport. She completed her undergraduate studies at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin and earned her medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. She served an internship and residency in pediatrics at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. She is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics and is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Elena Wagner is a graduate of the Columbia University School of Nursing, where she received her master's degree in nursing in 1998. She is a member of the clinical staff at Brunswick Primary Care, where she will continue to see patients

Jay, Livermore, Livermore Falls residents mark completion of local projects

Residents of Jay, Livermore and Livermore Falls gathered recently at the Livermore Falls Town Office to celebrate the completion of three community projects identified as priorities by local community members and then funded in part by GrowSmart Maine through its "Making Headway in Your Community" program. The projects were a fourtown map identifying area businesses and cultural and recreational opportunities; a significant repair to the roof of the Community Center in Livermore; and signage for the Androscoggin Land Trust's Androscoggin Greenway Community Forest in Canton and Jay.

Partnering on the projects were the municipalities of Livermore, Livermore Falls, and Jay; the Greater Franklin Development Corporation, the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments, the Androscoggin Land Trust and the Maine Downtown Center. Funding was provided by the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation and

while assuming her new role as part of the Freeport Pediatrics provider team. She is a certified pediatric nurse practitioner and a fellow of the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners.

For more information about Freeport Pediatrics, call 869-4022.



Local students Mary Szatkowski and Jess Wil-

All-Academic honors son have been awarded New England Small College Athletic Conference All-Academic distinction at Bates College for the Fall 2015 season.

to draw attention to good

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Local students earn NESCAC

Szatkowski, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Szatkowski, of Buxton is a member of the women's cross country team and a 2014 graduate of Bonny Eagle High School. Wilson, the daughter of James T. Wilson of North Yarmouth and Julie B. Hanlon of Cumberland, is a member of the women's cross country team and a 2013 graduate of Greely High School. She majors in environmental studies.

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The "Making Headway in Your Community" program sponsors a series of three public meetings over a period of 8 to 14 months, during which local residents identify what they value most in their towns. Small

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