

## Lewiston's Mike McGraw nominated for Most Valuable Coach award; online voting for school grants now open

Lewiston High School Varsity Soccer Coach Mike McGraw is among the Top 50 nominees for U.S. Cellular's Most Valuable Coach award, to be bestowed in November. After thousands of nominations were submitted, online public voting for the Top 50 coaches is now open at [TheMostValuableCoach.com](http://TheMostValuableCoach.com).

The 15 coaches earning the most votes will advance to the final round of voting. U.S. Cellular will present each of the Final 15 with a \$5,000 grant for their school, a local celebratory event, and a short video sharing the coach's story on [TheMostValuableCoach.com](http://TheMostValuableCoach.com).

At the end of the program, the winning coach will receive a \$50,000 donation to the charitable organization of their choosing or their high school athletic department, a trip to Orlando, Florida, and on-field recognition at the Under Armour High School All-America Game.

U.S. Cellular's Most Valuable Coach program honors high school coaches who lead by example, strengthen their teams, and



Coach McGraw is entering his 42nd year of teaching and 35th year as Boys' Soccer Head Coach at Lewiston High School. In 2015, he led the ethnically-diverse squad to a perfect 18-0 record and the school's first-ever Maine State Championship.

give back to their communities. The public can vote for their favorite coach among the Top 50 nominees until 11:59 a.m. CT on October 9 at [TheMostValuableCoach.com](http://TheMostValuableCoach.com).

"We are truly inspired by the incredible stories that were shared throughout the nomination phase of the

Most Valuable Coach program," said Matt Kasper, director of sales for U.S. Cellular in New England. "Each of the Top 50 coaches deserves to be recognized for their contributions to not only their team, but their community. These individuals go beyond the game and lead by example.

We encourage everyone in Lewiston to vote for their favorite coach."

Coach McGraw is entering his 42nd year of teaching and 35th year as Boys' Soccer Head Coach at Lewiston High School. In 2015, he led the ethnically-diverse squad to a perfect 18-0 record and the school's first-ever Maine State Championship. A new video about the team's challenges and accomplishments was recently produced by the Chinese Global Television Network. To see it, search on "Lewiston" at <https://america.cgtn.com>.

Along with the online public voting, a panel of judges, including Pro Football Hall of Fame inductee Kurt Warner, will help determine the Most Valuable Coach based on leadership qualities and the positive impact they have had on their community, school and players. The winning coach will be announced at noon CT on November 20.

For more information, to vote on the Top 50 coaches, or to view the official program rules, see [TheMostValuableCoach.com](http://TheMostValuableCoach.com).

## Lewiston City Clerk receives MTCCA President's Award

Lewiston City Clerk Kathy Montejo was recently honored with the 2017 Maine Town and City Clerks' Association President's Award as a champion of the office of municipal clerk and a role model for clerks throughout Maine.

"Kathy displays a tireless dedication and service, both to her community and to the clerk profession," said Maine Town and City Clerks' Association President Lisa Goodwin in bestowing the award.

"This is evident through her responsibilities with the Legislative Policy Committee, which include providing insight on how the Maine Clerks stand on any given issue. Kathy approaches every issue thoroughly and thoughtfully. She is a dedicated instructor for the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association, takes care of many details and tasks that often go unnoticed, and her involvement extends to work with the International Association of Municipal Clerks."

"The City of Lew-



Kathy Montejo has served as City Clerk and Registrar of Voters for the City of Lewiston since 1999.

Lewiston is proud of our award-winning City Clerk," said Lewiston City Administrator Ed Barrett. "Kathy has received virtually every award available to Clerks in Maine, all of which recognized her outstanding service to our elected officials and citizens."

Montejo has served as City Clerk and Registrar of Voters for the City of Lewiston since 1999, having previously served as municipal clerk for the City of Bath and the Town of Woolwich. She was the

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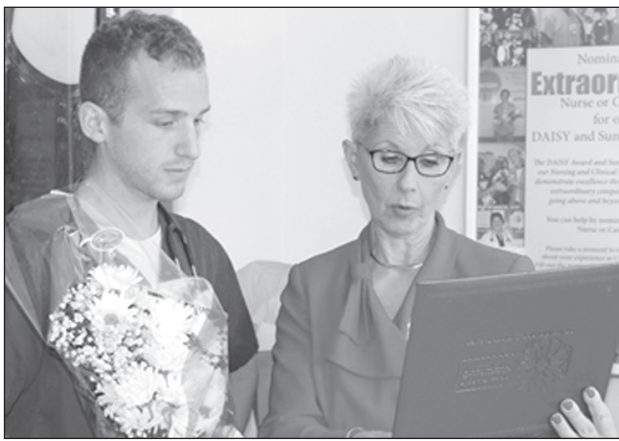
# Newsmakers, Names & Faces

## James “Kip” Gravel receives CMMC DAISY Award

James “Kip” Gravel, BSN, RN, has been recognized as a Central Maine Medical Center DAISY Award recipient. The DAISY Award is sponsored by the DAISY Foundation and recognizes nurses who consistently demonstrate the following attributes in their work: compassion, critical thinking, passion for life, patient advocacy, delivery of patient- and family-focused care, and support for all healthcare team members - in short, the attributes of a nursing profession role model.

Gravel joined the CMMC nursing staff in 2016. He was nominated by a fellow co-worker. The nomination story also had many quotes from his patients and their families.

Compassionate, positive and caring are just some of the words co-workers use to describe Gravel, who is also a strong patient advocate for those in his care. When asked about what keeps him as a CMMC team member, he responded: “I enjoy the patients and I care about those I work with. It’s



Central Maine Healthcare Chief Nursing Officer Mary-Anne Ponti presents Gravel with the DAISY Award certificate.

not always about money; it’s working with these people that makes me want to stay.”

“As I gained strength, [Gravel] encouraged my independence,” one patient said. “He took me down to my labs to expedite my health. He treated everyone with dignity. [Gravel] used humor to ease frustrating times and thought outside the box while staying safe.”

The DAISY Award was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes, who died at 33 from complications of idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura. DAISY is an acronym

for “diseases attacking the immune system.” The foundation is headquartered in Glen Ellen, California.

The DAISY Award was created to show gratitude to the nursing profession because the Barnes family believes that nurses are truly “unsung heroes.” The DAISY Foundation says the program “honors the super human work nurses do at the bedside every day.” Patients, visitors, physicians, and co-workers can nominate nurses they feel deserve to be recognized with the DAISY Award.

## Lewiston men sentenced

Acting United States Richard W. Murphy has announced that Kourtney Williams, 27, of Lewiston, was sentenced recently in U.S. District Court by Judge Jon D. Levy to 184 months in prison and five years of supervised release for interstate robbery conspiracy and using a firearm during a crime of violence. The defendant was convicted following a jury trial on September 12, 2016.

Court records and trial evidence revealed that on August 2, 2014, at about 11 p.m., the defendant, armed with a pistol, and associates, one of whom had a crowbar, broke into a residence on the Garfield Road in Minot

intending to steal drugs and money from its occupants. The defendant used the pistol to repeatedly threaten and assault the occupants. The investigation was conducted by the Maine State Police; the Lewiston and Auburn Police Departments; the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration; and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

In a different case, Murphy announced that Brent Roaix, 33, of Lewiston was sentenced in U.S. District Court by Judge Jon D. Levy to five years in prison and three years of supervised release for robbery of a credit union.

According to court re-

ports, on January 25, 2017, Roaix entered a Rainbow Federal Credit Union in Lewiston and gave a handwritten note to a teller demanding money and stating that he was armed. The teller gave him money and Roaix absconded on foot. Shortly thereafter, Lewiston police officers found him hiding in a nearby apartment, arrested him, and recovered all the stolen money.

According to evidence introduced at sentencing, at the time of the robbery, Roaix was a participant in Maine’s Adult Drug Treatment Court because he had committed two credit union robberies in 2014, one of which was of the same credit union. The investigation was conducted by the Lewiston Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

## 2017 Amanda Dempsey Award goes to Christina Perrish

Christina Perrish has been named the 2017 recipient of the Amanda Dempsey Award, presented by Amgen’s Breakaway from Cancer. Named in memory of Amanda Dempsey, the award is given annually to a cancer survivor who demonstrates a passion for helping others with cancer in the State of Maine. It is presented in conjunction with the annual Dempsey Challenge, the primary fundraising event for the Dempsey Center.

Perrish received her life-changing pancreatic cancer diagnosis on June 16, 2008, when she was given just three to six months to live with treatment. Then

and there, she decided that no one should be given this news, and so she went on to found the Purple Iris Foundation in Brewer to help raise awareness and to support her fellow patients. Today, she is proud to be a nine-year cancer survivor.

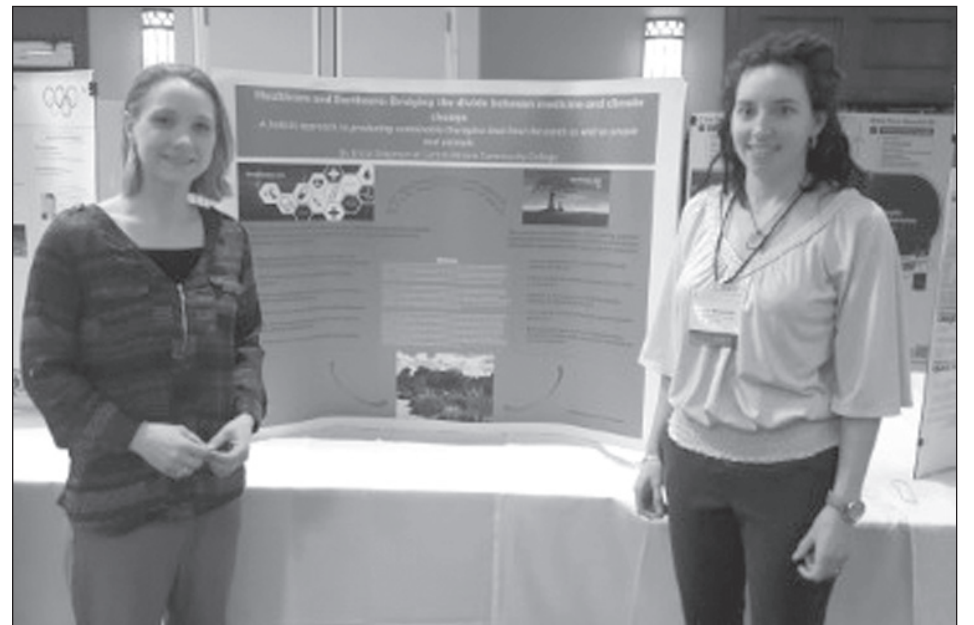
Perrish is living proof that there is always hope. She’s a seasoned human services professional who, through her two decades in the field, has garnered exceptional experience and expertise working with adults and children with disabilities. She was also the director of a large child care facility and most recently worked for a major bank in the collections

division.

“Each year our partnership with the Dempsey Challenge reinforces the foundation of our Breakaway from Cancer initiative,” said Richard Paulson, vice president and general manager of Amgen Oncology. “Amgen is proud to be part of this event and to honor Christina for her dedication to leadership in the fight against cancer. Christina is a key player in the team that is leading the fight to overcome this disease, and we applaud her commitment to education and awareness.”

Perrish will formally accept the award on Saturday. See *Dempsey*, page 4

## CMCC Life Sciences students attend Honors Conference



Diana Drown (l.), Honors Program coordinator at CMCC, is pictured here with student Emily Dingman and Dingman’s poster presentation at the National Regional Honors Council Conference in Pittsburgh.

Students in the Life Sciences Honors Program at Central Maine Community College recently attended the Northeast Regional Honors Council Conference in Pittsburgh, PA. With the theme “Bridging the Divide: Contemplating Differences and Forging Commonalities,” the conference was further inspired by its location of Pittsburgh, commonly referred to as the “City of Bridges.”

Students Samuel Moreau, Fanie Wabwende, Deanna Doyon, and Emily Dingman, along with instructor Diana Drown, participated in the conference, and Dingman shared a poster presentation of her capstone project titled “Healthcare and Earthcare: Bridging the divide between medicine and climate change.”

The Life Sciences program at CMCC pro-

vides a broad survey of scientifically accumulated knowledge focused on life and biological sciences. Students completing the degree can enter the workforce as scientific technicians or transfer into science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM) majors at four-year colleges and universities. The 61-credit program, which includes 34 credits in lab science, provides appropriate course sequencing for efficient transfer and reinforces and deepens core learning across the curriculum.

In partnership with the University of New England, graduates of the program may apply all credits earned toward any of 15 bachelor’s degree programs at UNE. Some of these programs prepare students for graduate-level study in Pharmacy, Dentistry, Osteopathic Medicine, and other health professions. More information is available online at [www.cmcc.edu](http://www.cmcc.edu).

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# Governor's Address: Senator Collins single-handedly killed ObamaCare reform

Maine's senior senator in Washington, D.C. single-handedly killed the chance to reform ObamaCare and provide hard-working Mainers with affordable and effective health insurance.

Dear Maine Taxpayer,

Senator Susan Collins claimed the latest efforts to reform ObamaCare in the Graham-Cassidy bill would cut Medicaid for our most vulnerable citizens. She said it would hurt people with pre-existing conditions. She believed it would result in higher premiums and reduced coverage for Americans.

But no one who is now on Medicaid would

be kicked off. Medicaid was originally designed for impoverished children, the elderly and the disabled. However, Medicaid expansion under ObamaCare gave free health care to able-bodied adults who should be working and contributing to the cost of their own health insurance.

Graham-Cassidy would have reformed Medicaid—it would not have harmed our most vulnerable citizens. In fact, it was the first step in returning Medicaid to the safety net it was designed to be.

Furthermore, Graham-Cassidy would have had no negative impact on benefits for disabled children and low-income seniors. They would con-



Governor Paul R. LePage

tinue to get the robust set of benefits they have always received.

Keeping ObamaCare in place will create the same disaster that happened when Maine expanded Medicaid in 2002. We ended up with

a \$750 million debt to our hospitals, massive budget shortfalls, a waitlist for people with intellectual disabilities and low reimbursement rates for nursing homes. If the Senate does not act, it's déjà vu all over again.

Senator Collins also said she was worried about Americans with pre-existing conditions. But Maine already has a strong law mandating coverage of those with pre-existing conditions.

A White House National Economic Council Analysis determined that Graham-Cassidy would give Maine significant flexibility under the provision to allow the program to grow if needed, while simultaneously providing the

flexibility to truly manage our program.

Graham-Cassidy would have given states the authority to develop their own Medicaid programs that would best serve the people of their state. Maine has different needs than Texas or California, and the Graham-Cassidy bill recognized that.

Finally, Senator Collins ignored the fact that ObamaCare is hurting Mainers who can least afford it. According to the IRS, the individual mandate under ObamaCare is a regressive tax on low- and middle-income Mainers.

In 2015, more than 34,000 Maine families chose to pay \$15 million in fines, rather than pay for

ObamaCare's exorbitant premiums and coverage that did not meet the needs of their families. Under Graham-Cassidy, Maine would get 43% more federal healthcare funding—that's nearly \$1.5 billion by 2026.

The bill would have eliminated the individual and employer mandates, which would help these working families and job creators right here in Maine.

Instead of seeking national headlines, Senator Collins should have worked on behalf of the Maine people who elected her.

*Thank You,  
Paul R. LePage  
Governor*

## Helping out at scholarship event a family affair



Pictured here (l. to r.) are Patti Ellery, her daughter Rebecca L'Italien, Rylee Moore, and her mom Carrie Moore.

The 2017 CMCC recipients of the Sturdivant Island Tuna Tournament Scholarships recently gave back by volunteering at the 20th annual tournament's Captain's Meeting and fundraising auctions. Rylee Moore of Livermore, a Life Sciences major, and Rebecca L'Italien of Poland, a Human Services major, both joined by their mothers, worked with other volunteers to help present this year's kickoff event at Spring Point Marina in South Portland.

SITT is a first-class giant Bluefin tuna fishing

tournament that brings together highly skilled anglers from across the Northeast. A record 27 Bluefin tuna were weighed in at this year's event, and veteran Captain John Harmon and his "Ban-see" were the winners with their 719-pound catch.

The event is also a major fundraiser, as the SITT Charitable Foundation has raised more than \$600,000 since it began in 1998. Most of the funds have gone toward establishing and growing scholarship endowments at Maine's community colleges, including Central Maine Community College.

## Local cardiologist joins American Heart Assoc. board



Among the new members recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Maine chapter of the American Heart Association was Dr. Dervilla McCann, Chief of Population Health at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. The American Heart Association is the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization devoted to reducing cardiovascular disease and stroke risks. For more information, see [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org).

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4 to 7 p.m. will be for members only; join the Friends of Cumston Library for as little as \$2 and get early access to the sale. The book sale will then open to the public on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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# Dempsey

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urday, October 7 at the Champions for Hope Celebration, which recognizes the fundraising efforts of Dempsey Challenge participants. The past winners of the award are Brooke Ismail, Dr. James Campbell, Nel Bernard, Hailey Sontag, Kristen Short, Laura Davis, Scott Thomas, Carlene Sperry, and Allen Lariviere.

As part of Dempsey Challenge weekend, Amgen's Breakaway from Cancer and the Dempsey Challenge invite all cancer patients, survivors, and their families to walk with Perrish

and actor Patrick Dempsey in the Amgen Breakaway from Cancer Survivor Walk on Saturday, October 7, at 10 a.m. at Simard-Payne Memorial Park in Lewiston. The walk is free and open to the public and there is no need to preregister. Participants are encouraged to visit the Dempsey Challenge Information Tent by 9:45 a.m. to be directed to the staging area for the Walk.

# Library

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Paperbacks will be 50 cents each, or 10 for \$4; hardcovers, audiobooks, and DVDs will be \$1 each,

or 10 for \$8; and children's books will be 25 cents each, or 5 for \$1. Proceeds will benefit the library and its programs.

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## Safe Voices to recognize domestic violence change makers at awards ceremony

Five community leaders will be recognized at Safe Voices' annual Fall Mixer & Community Partner Awards, part of the agency's 40th anniversary celebration, on Thursday, October 5 at 5:30 p.m. at Martindale Country Club in Auburn.

Safe Voices is the domestic violence resource center serving Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford counties. Each year, the agency honors local citizens and organizations who have made remarkable contributions in support of victims and survivors of domestic violence, as well as those engaged in abuse prevention and awareness. This year's awardees are Nicole Bissonnette of Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Peter Lasagna of the Bates College Athletic Department; Cynthia Patterson of Safe Voices; Lt. David St. Laurent of the Franklin County Sheriff's Department; and Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Services.

Open to the public, the event will include networking and a living history presentation celebrating Safe Voices' 40th anniversary, as well as a silent auction, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and cash bar. Tickets are \$20. To register, contact Safe Voices Director of Development and Engagement Victoria Stanton at 795-6744 or vstanton@safevoices.org.

Nicole Bissonnette will receive the inaugural Kimberly Wilson Community Transformation Award for her work to improve processes around firearms retrieval in high-risk domestic violence cases. The award was created in memory of Kim Wilson, who passed away in 2016. Wilson, who served as Safe Voices' child protective services liaison and later as its rural grant coordinator, was passionate

about collaborating with service providers to create meaningful change on behalf of victims and survivors. The award is presented to an advocate who demonstrates a commitment to improving how communities work together to address domestic violence.

Bissonnette spearheaded the Comprehensive Assessment of Retrieval Systems in 2016 to address gaps in how the criminal justice system handles concerns about firearms in domestic violence cases. This assessment today guides Safe Voices advocates, law enforcement officials, and community partners as they navigate domestic violence cases with the highest levels of risk and lethality.

Peter Lasagna, Head Men's Lacrosse Coach at Bates College and a current Safe Voices board member, has worked to promote conversations about gender-based violence among athletes at Bates and has initiated a number of awareness events on campus. Cynthia Patterson will receive the Shining Star Award, which honors a Safe Voices staff member who has demonstrated a remarkable commitment to their team, the agency, and those Safe Voices serves. Lt. David St. Laurent of the Franklin County Sheriff's Department has been a long-time ally of Safe Voices and a committed advocate for enhancing law enforcement's response to domestic violence cases. Sexual Assault Prevention & Response Services is an integral partner across all Safe Voices' program areas and the lead agency in the implementation of its Office of Violence Against Women grant, which aims to enhance response services in rural communities.

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## Enough is Enough

# Merger is not the most important issue facing L-A

**By Robert E. Macdonald**  
MAYOR OF LEWISTON

After our last City Council meeting, I have sadly come to the conclusion that no matter how hard we try, at this point, Lewiston has reached its pinnacle.

During our meeting on September 19 we discussed, rather lengthily, an agenda item which would restrict convicted sexual predators from living in certain areas of Lewiston. Many cities and towns in Maine have already adopted and currently have in place similar ordinances, including our sister city across the Androscoggin River, Auburn.

During the discussion over the pending ordinance, a phrase kept reoccurring in relation to these offenses.

The phrase was: They “need services.” Upon reflecting on those two words, I realized that this summed up why Lewiston is currently doomed to stagnation: too many social services.

A short time ago Governor Paul R. LePage, over the clamoring of the sob sisters and brothers who make up Portland’s progressive community organizers, moved Maine’s Department of Health and Human Services from downtown Portland to a park in South Portland.

On downtown Main Street in Lewiston, we sport a structure that is ominous in appearance and presents the image of an impregnable castle. This is the building in Lewiston



Mayor Bob Macdonald

that provides many of the “needed services”—needed services that draw addicts, convicted sexual offenders, criminals, the lazy and the unemployables. Too many have no connections to Lewiston, but they expect Lewiston taxpayers to keep their palms filled.

Lewiston is and always has been treated as a door-mat by our Maine neighbors to our south and legislators in Augusta. While our local legislators bend the knee to their demands, the Maine People’s Alliance, Maine Equal Justice Partners and the many other groups whose pro-welfare policies are counter to those of Lewiston voters.

This morning I picked up the morning newspaper and read that I have been a very naughty boy. I had committed a grievous peccadillo by failing to attend Lewiston’s public meeting dealing with the merger of our two cities, Lewiston and Auburn. Yes I missed it, and I will not be going to confession to seek forgiveness.

“This is probably going to be the most important issue that the people will ever vote on,” declared Ron Potvin, a Lewiston mayoral candidate. Judging by the public turnout and the lack of city council attendants, very few appear to hold his view. Since the meeting lacked a quorum, it could very well raise legal questions.

In my opinion, whether the question passes or fails, very little is going to change. If real change is to occur, someone with an abundance of intestinal fortitude, someone who is willing to go it alone, is going to have to step to the plate and take on the two-ton elephant in the room—General Assistance.

Ever since I first announced my intentions to run for mayor, Ben Chin and the Maine People’s Alliance have continually come after me savagely. They picketed City Hall. They submitted petitions calling for my removal as mayor and filled the newspaper with letters and stories calling me a racist, among other things. Chin thought that by raising over \$90,000 in mostly out of state money, he would trounce me.

Lastly, I created such a pain in the side of Chin and his progressive friends, the last mayoral election became a national story.

“Needed services”—not consolidation—is our biggest problem.

## Clerk

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recipient of the MTCCA’s Municipal Clerk of the Year award in 2000 and, in recognition of her service to the association, of its Ethelyn Stuart Marthia Memorial Award in 2011. In 2000, she was also presented with the Lorraine M. Fleury Award for Excellence in Election Administration by the Secretary of State.

She is a 2007 nationally certified Master Municipal Clerk, one of only a few such certified Clerks in Maine; a lifetime State Certified Clerk of Maine; and a Nationally Certified Municipal Clerk. She has also served two terms as State President of the MTC-CA and has served regularly as a peer instructor for the Clerks Association, teaching a variety of workshops on topics such as election administration and municipal law.

Montejo received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Maine in 1991, with a major in public administration and minor in public relations. She graduated from the New England Municipal Clerks Institute in 1997.

## KVAA presents “Art at Home” in East Winthrop



The tour will include homes selected to showcase their residents’ art collections and the many ways creative decor can be integrated into practical living spaces.

The Harlow Gallery and Kennebec Valley Art Association will present “Art at Home,” a unique house tour featuring private art collections, distinctive décor, and more on Saturday, September 30 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The eight participating homes and businesses, all located in East Winthrop, were selected to showcase not only their residents’ art collections, but also their relationships with their art and the many ways creative decor can be integrated into practical living spaces.

Highlights of the tour will include the home of Hallowell City Manager Nate Rudy and the historic home formerly owned by Georgia Fuller Weisendanger that has been undergoing major renovations for the past three years. Kennebec Cider will host area artists, along with a local food truck and free cider tastings.

Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 on the day of the event. Tickets may be purchased on the day of the event at D.R. Struck Landscape Nursery at 2215 US Route 202 in East Winthrop

and Helene Farrar Art Studio at 903 Western Avenue in Manchester. For more information, or to purchase tickets in advance, call the Harlow Gallery at 622-3813 or see <http://harlowgallery.org>.

Proceeds will support arts programming at the Harlow Gallery, located in downtown historic Hallowell and home to the Kennebec Valley Art Association, a membership based 501(c)3 nonprofit dedicated to connecting and celebrating art, artists and community since 1963.

## WMCA receives One-Stop Operator status



The Central and Western Maine Workforce Development Board has awarded One-Stop Operator status to Western Maine Community Action for employment and training services it provides in Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Oxford, and Somerset counties. One of the primary goals of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act is to provide customers with access to high-quality, one-stop service points that are customer-centered and provide access to a full range of employment and training services. Here Executive Director Steven Johndro (l.) and Program Manager James Trundy of Western Maine Community Action review the specifications of work to be performed as a One-Stop Operator. (Photo courtesy of Katherine Lary, WIC Program Manager)

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# What's Going On

## Organizers to form Life Chain in Lewiston-Auburn

Local organizers will form a Life Chain on Sunday, October 1, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., when local pro-lifers will line the sidewalks along both sides of the Longley Bridge between

Auburn and Lewiston to display signs and pray for an end to abortion. This 24th annual event will take place rain or shine. Children under close supervision are welcome and chairs may be

brought for the elderly or handicapped. Participants are asked to gather at Great Falls Plaza next to the Auburn Post Office at 2 p.m. to pick up a poster. For more information, call 782-7721

## Museum L-A seeks photos for Veterans Honor Wall

Museum L-A is currently seeking photos of veterans from all branches of the U.S. military and all conflicts, especially those of the Vietnam War and since, for a temporary new exhibit that will celebrate the sacrifices and patriotism of veterans while speaking to the history of Bates Mill during war time.

Photos may be dropped off at the museum on Wednesdays from noon to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 3 p.m. until October 30. If you can't visit the museum during these hours, you may call 333-3881 to set up an appointment to bring

your photograph at another time. Photos can be of yourself, a family member or loved one, or a friend you would like to honor. Each donor will be limited to one photo per veteran. The museum will incorporate scans of the donated photos into the exhibit, which will be displayed in the museum's main gallery in November and December.

Museum L-A is currently located in the Bates Mill Complex at 35 Canal Street in Lewiston. For more information, call 333-3881 or email [info@museumla.org](mailto:info@museumla.org).



Gerard Cote in Bates Mill #5 (Museum L-A Archival Photograph Collection)

## Roger Theriault to address Rotary Club

The guest speaker at the next meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Club on Thursday, October 5, from noon to 1 p.m. will be Roger Theriault. The event will take place at the Village Inn at 165 High Street in Auburn.

Roger Theriault was born in Lewiston and graduated from St. Dominic's Regional High School in 1970. Upon graduating from the University of Maine with a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education in 1975, he married his wife, Lorraine, with whom he raised four children. In addition to teaching, Theriault owned an automotive business and owned and operated the Civic Center. Following the sale of the Civic Center and his retirement from teaching, he began working for the Fortin Group. He graduated from the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science and



Theriault is a Licensed Funeral Director and was recently inducted into the St. Dominic's High School Hall of Fame.

recently completed his apprenticeship to become a Licensed Funeral Director.

Theriault is active in area hockey, is a member of the Knights of Columbus, attends Prince of Peace Parish, and enjoys golf, travel, and wine. He has eight grandchildren and was recently inducted into the St. Dominic's High School Hall of Fame for

his athletic and academic achievements.

Guests are welcome and no reservations are required. Lunch will be available at the restaurant. For more information, contact Club President and Program Chair Monica Millhime at 753-9040 or see [www.lewistonauburnrotary.org](http://www.lewistonauburnrotary.org).

## Uplift LA to host public forum on proposed merger

Uplift LA will host a community forum on the proposed merger of the

Cities of Lewiston and Auburn on Tuesday, October 3, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Gendron Franco Center at 46 Cedar Street in Lewiston. Free and open to the public, the event will include audience interaction and text polling. Doors will open at 5 p.m. Representing the Coalition to Oppose Lewiston-Auburn Consolidation will be Matt Leonard; representing One LA will be Kristy Phinney. Moderating the event will be Uplift LA steering committee member Matthew Shaw. For more

information, contact Shaw at [Matts@Communitycred- itunion.com](mailto:Matts@Communitycred- itunion.com).



Matt Leonard will represent the Coalition to Oppose L-A Consolidation



Kristy Phinney will represent One L-A

## October Adult Ed. classes at MSAD 52

Are you a few credits shy of earning your high school diploma? Interested in going to college, but not sure of where to start? Want to expand your career by taking the Hiset? If so, MSAD 52 Adult & Community Education can help. They will evaluate your existing transcript and help you establish a plan

that works for you. They are located at 486 Turner Center Road in Turner. For more information, call 225-1010, ext. 2120.

MSAD 52 Adult & Community Education is also offering the following classes in October: 10/4 Health Insurance Marketplace & MaineCare 1010 (free); 10/10 Introduction to Self-Employment

(free); 10/11 Abstract Alcohol Ink Painting (\$39); 10/12 Digital Photography for YOU! (\$50); 10/17 Notary Public Training (\$45); 10/18 Holy Fire Karuna Reiki (\$20); 10/19 Sea Glass Wine Charms (\$39). They are located at 486 Turner Center Road in Turner. To register online, see [www.msad52.maineadulted.org](http://www.msad52.maineadulted.org).

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## Kiwanis, Troop 121 team up for Yard Sale



The event will feature household goods, small furniture, tools, children's toys and games, sporting equipment, and clothing.

The Lewiston Auburn Kiwanis Club and Boy Scout Troop 121 will present a joint Fundraising Yard Sale on Saturday, September 30, from 7 a.m. to noon at the United Methodist Church at 439 Park Avenue in Auburn. This rain or shine event will feature household goods and other items, such as small furniture, tools, children's toys and games, sporting equipment, and clothing.

Proceeds earned by the Kiwanis Club will support the Children's Advocacy Center of Androscoggin, Franklin and Oxford Counties (CAC-AFO). This non-profit agency promotes the healing of victims of child sexual abuse by providing a strong community response to the investigation, treatment and prevention of abuse. CAC-AFO provides a location where

children who have been abused can be interviewed by a specially trained forensic interviewer in a child-friendly environment. Those who need information from the child, such as law enforcement officials, DHHS case workers, or prosecutors, can witness the interview via closed circuit television in another room while also feeding questions to the interviewer to get the information they need to complete an investigation.

Troop 121 offers youth from Androscoggin, Kennebec, and Oxford counties who have special physical, mental, and emotional challenges the opportunity for successful Scouting in a safe environment that builds character, encourages citizenship, teaches life skills, and develops personal fitness. Money raised at the yard sale will support

camping and other troop outings.

At the yard sale, the Kiwanis Club will also kick off this year's shoe drive. Anyone can help by donating their gently worn, used, or even new shoes. If you have unneeded or unwanted shoes in your closet, please box or bag them up and drop them off at the yard sale. In conjunction with Funds2Orgs, the Kiwanis will earn funds based on the total weight of the shoes collected. Shoes donated will be given a second chance to make a difference in people's lives and funds raised will support student scholarships and local programs for children and youth.

For more information about the yard sale, or to arrange drop-off or pick-up times for your items, email [ahannon15@gmail.com](mailto:ahannon15@gmail.com) or [ruthd44@gwi.net](mailto:ruthd44@gwi.net).

## SeniorsPlus presents "Converting to an Employee-Owned Co-Op"

SeniorsPlus will host a presentation by Business Ownership Solutions called "Converting to an Employee-Owned Co-Op" on Tuesday, October 3 from 2 to 4 p.m. Employee-owned co-ops are a potentially attractive solution for many of the thousands of baby boomer business owners in Maine who will need to retire in the next decade or so but don't have concrete succession plans in place. These business owners may face a dearth of potential buyers as more young people continue to leave the

state than move in.

Converting those businesses to employee ownership could provide the best chance to sustain those businesses and the jobs they provide. For many young people in particular, cooperative business ownership is more attractive and makes financing more achievable because employee-owned businesses are more productive, more resilient, promote entrepreneurship, and help people build wealth through ownership.

A program of the Cooperative Development In-

stitute, Business Ownership Solutions works to promote and perfect this uniquely beneficial model of development by organizing the education and technical assistance, incorporation, deal structure, and creative financing that can make this dream a reality. For more information, see <http://cdi.coop>.

The program is free and open to the public. SeniorsPlus is located at 8 Falcon Road in Lewiston. For more information about the program or to register, call SeniorsPlus at 795-4010.

# What's Going On

## LAE's Fall Super Saturday coming October 14

Dance, genealogy and roller derby will be in the mix of classes available for Lewiston Adult Education's Fall Super Saturday on October 14 at Lewiston High School. Fall Super Saturday allows for more in-depth exploration of topics than some might have time for during the week. Taking advantage of the extra time this semester will be Michel Vining of United Ambulance, who will teach "CPR, First Aid and AED Training"; Martha Chessie, who will lead participants in "Making a Utility or Clothes Basket"; and Stasia Minkowsky, who will offer her "Introduction to Metaphysics and Meditation" class.

Two teachers will also offer shorter sessions. Anna Golendukhina will teach "Latin Dancing Basics: Salsa" and "Latin, Bachata and Merengue," while Lin Wright will present two new genealogy classes, "Using



Margaret C. Maiorana and Yaw A. Anoff practice dance steps in a class taught by Anna Golendukhina last spring. Golendukhina will teach two dance classes on October 14.

Familysearch.org" and "Genealogy for Beginners." In addition to genealogy, other new offerings will include Nancy Callahan's workshop on Henna and Danielle Fortin's class "Getting Up to Speed About Roller Derby."

Lunch will be included with all day-long classes.

The Utility or Clothes Basket class and Henna class have lab fees. For more information or to register for a class, call 795-4141. For online registration and a complete list of courses with descriptions, see [www.lewiston.maineadult-ed.org](http://www.lewiston.maineadult-ed.org).

## Safe Voices to host annual Memorial Vigils Oct. 2

To mark Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Safe Voices will host its annual Memorial Vigils in Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties on Monday, October 2, at 6 p.m. The purpose of the vigils is to honor those who have lost their lives to domestic violence, support those who have survived, and offer hope to those still facing abuse.

The vigils will take place, rain or shine, at Festival Plaza in Auburn, where a short candlelit procession will march across the bridge to Veterans Park in Lewiston, as well as the Town Office in Norway, Veteran's Memorial Park in Rumford, and the French Falls Recreation Area in Jay. Open to the public, they are an

opportunity for community members to come together to show that domestic violence impacts us all and that we can all play a role in creating a violence-free environment. Guest speakers from the community will share their thoughts on the issue of domestic violence in our society.

In addition to the vigils, Safe Voices will con-

duct other awareness events throughout the month of October. For more information, contact Kelley Glidden at 795-6744 or [kglidden@safevoices.org](mailto:kglidden@safevoices.org) or see [safevoices.org](http://safevoices.org).

If you or someone you know would like to speak to an advocate regarding domestic violence, call Safe Voices' 24-hour helpline at 1-800-559-2927.

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# What's Going On

## Auburn Suburban Baseball Softball caps season



Guest umpire Mayor Jonathon LaBonte makes a "safe" call at home plate.

Auburn Suburban Baseball Softball showed some fresh legs this season by reaching a new milestone: its 470 players, ranging from Tee Ball to Major Baseball to Senior Softball, was the greatest number of players registered in the last 20 years.

The opening day pitch for the Babe Ruth/Cal Ripkin league was perfectly executed by Erin Caouette, daughter of the late Paul "Bud" Caouette.

Erin and her teammates stepped in for Bud,

who passed away just weeks before opening day. Bud was a police officer for the City of Auburn for 22 years and was also one of the pillars of ASBS in its formative years, serving as a board member for ten years, coaching Minor and Major Softball, and always encouraging young players with his gentle but serious smile.

Guest umpires on Opening Day included the Mayor Jonathon LaBonte, who called games for Major Baseball, and for-



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mer UMaine pitcher and co-captain Carrie Green, who called games for Major and Senior Softball. Both displayed good eyes for calling pitches and games.

Before they donned their umpiring gear, Green and LaBonte engaged in a friendly dual. The Mayor went up to bat against the former Division I pitcher, with Auburn Savings Bank pledging to contribute \$100 for every ball the Mayor managed to hit. When it learned that he had not been practicing, the league lent the Mayor a bat a week before opening day. The gesture paid off as Mayor



Auburn Savings Bank's Audrey Coffin "pays up" to league Treasurer Jim Berube.

LaBonte went on to win \$500 to support ASBS.

The season was boost-

ed by great weather and a field that was in its best. See **baseball**, page 9

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## Renowned organist to perform at Basilica



Gail Archer is touring great churches of the world in support of her new album of organ works by Russian composers.

Renowned organist Gail Archer, who is currently touring great churches of the world in support of her new album of music by Russian composers, will present a free concert at the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, located at 122 Ash Street in Lewiston, on Sunday, October

1 at 7:30 p.m.

Archer's eighth solo album, "A Russian Journey" (TBR 09.25.17 Meyer Media), is comprised of works by 19th and 20th century Russian composers, including members of the Russian Five and their successors. Featuring hidden Russian gems from the organ canon, the album enthralls with the musicality, sensitivity, and visceral quality of Archer's playing.

Archer was the first American woman to play the complete works of Olivier Messiaen. Time Out New York recognized her Messiaen cycle as a "Best of 2008" recording in classical music and opera. Her other recordings include "The Muse's Voice," "Franz Liszt: A Hungarian Rhapsody," "Bach: The Transcendent Genius," "An American Idyll," and "A Mystic in the Making," all

published by Meyer Media, and "The Orpheus of Amsterdam: Sweelinck and his Pupils," published by CALA Records.

Archer's 2017 concert tour of great European churches took her to Germany, Italy, the British Isles, Russia, Ukraine, and Poland. Highlights included St. Nicholas Church in Stuttgart, Germany; the Church of San Domenico in Palermo, Sicily; the Temple of the Renaissance in Bryansk, Russia; the Philharmonic Hall in Khmelnytsky, Ukraine; and the Basilika Mariaska in Gdansk, Poland. She is the founder of Musforum, an international network for women organists to promote and affirm their work.

For more information about the program, call the church at 777-1200 or visit [princeofpeace.me](http://princeofpeace.me).

## Baseball

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condition in years. After surviving one of the best games of the season in a playoff against East Auburn, Austin Associates went on to win the Major's Baseball

Championship of 2017. The league wishes to thank all coaches and volunteers who helped make the season a success, and to thank the parents and families of the players for the support and appreciation shown to the coaches and umpires.

ASBS is looking for volunteers and board members for the 2018 season; for more information, email [info@AuburnSuburban.com](mailto:info@AuburnSuburban.com), or contact a current board member listed on their website at [www.auburnsuburban.com](http://www.auburnsuburban.com).

# What's Going On

## CCU sponsors Norm Nolette Golf Tournament



Pictured here (l. to r.) are Community Credit Union EVP Christina Carter, President-CEO Jennifer Hogan, VP of Financial Operations Jo-Ann Jackson, and VP of Member Services Betsy Sibley.

Community Credit Union was a proud sponsor of the annual Norm Nolette Golf Tournament in August. The tournament is presented each year by the Norm

Nolette Chapter of Credit Unions to raise money for the Maine Credit Union League's annual Campaign for Ending Hunger. The event took place at Poland

Spring Golf Course and included a silent auction, which raised \$1,163, bringing the total amount raised to \$50,000.

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# TWIN CITY NIGHTS

## Weekly Arts & Entertainment

### Court Street Baptist Church to host New England Festival of Praise

Commemorating the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation and sponsored by the Mark Thallander Foundation, the New England Festival of Praise will take place on Sunday, October 1 at 6 p.m. at Court Street Baptist Church of Auburn. The event will feature former Crystal Cathedral organist Mark Thallander; renowned pianist, vocalist, and composer Ken Medema; Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul organist Scott Vaillancourt; music minister, singer and host Kathleen Haley; the Prince of Peace Handbell Choir; and a choir comprised of Maine and New Hampshire singers. A free will offering will be collected. Court Street Baptist Church is located at 129 Court Street in Auburn.

Mark Thallander gives concerts and produces music festivals throughout the United States and around the world. After serving as organist at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, California, for 18 years, he lost his left arm in an automobile accident while vacationing in Maine in



Mark Thallander



Scott Vaillancourt



Ken Medema

2003. He responded by re-arranging organ music so he can perform it with his two



Kathy Haley

feet and right arm. His journey from the brink of death is chronicled in the book "Champions" and he was honored with the Crystal Cathedral's annual "Life's Not Fair, But God Is Good Award" in 2004.

Ken Medema has been described as "one of the most creative and authentic artists performing today." Blind since birth, he has enthralled music lovers in

more than 15 countries on four continents with his keyboard and vocal abilities, improvisation skills, and humor. In 1985, he started Briar Patch Music, an independent recording, publishing, and performance-booking organization, which he continues to manage with his wife of 52 years, Jane.

Scott Vaillancourt is the music director for the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Lewiston, where he has overseen a restoration of church's historic Casavant pipe organ. A composer, arranger, and teacher, he has taught for the University of Maine System and Bowdoin College, directed the University of New England's band and chorus, and performed with the Bangor Symphony, Colby Symphony, Portland Symphony, Atlantic Chamber Symphony, Portland Brass Quintet, and Portland Opera Repertory Theater Orchestra.

Formed in 2013, the Prince of Peace Handbell Choir performs at mass and other liturgies several times each year. The group is comprised of a dozen musicians dedicated to making music that is pleasing to listeners and honoring to God.

Kathleen Haley is the music minister at Court Street Baptist. After graduating from Edward Little High School and the University of Southern Maine, she was a member of well-known bands The Chord Majority and Good and Plenty. She began her church music career at the Danville Union Church and served as organist and choir director for several southern Maine congregations. Today she serves as assistant director of the nondenominational regional choir Delta Heart and performs at venues such as Sawyer Memorial in Greene, the Poland Spring Inn and Resort, All Souls Chapel at Poland Spring, and at area celebrations, weddings, and funerals.

Send all items for **Names & Faces** to **Editor@TwinCityTimes.com**. Deadline is **Friday by five.**

### Turkey Dinner & Silent Auction



Organizing the event are committee members (l. to r.) Bonnie Ross, Judy Giffin, Yvonne Gross, Diane Morin, Betty Fakey, Barbara Caron, Fran Morin, and Pat Gardiner.

Calvary United Methodist Church at 59 Sabattus Street in Lewiston will host a Turkey Dinner & Silent Auction on Saturday,

October 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$1 per year up to age 9 for children. They

can be purchased from any member of the organizing committee or by calling Judy at 783-4875. Doors will open at 4 p.m. to view auction items. It is not necessary to purchase a ticket to participate in the silent auction.

### Freeport Historical presents Pettengill Farm Day

Freeport Historical Society will host its 42nd annual Pettengill Farm Day on Sunday, October 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The farm is located at 31 Pettengill Road in Freeport. The event will feature kids' crafts and games, cider pressing, geocaching, agility dog demonstrations, tours of the farm's historic Saltbox farmhouse, and music by the Maine Squeeze Accordion Band.

At noon, an old-time baseball game between Maine's Team Dirigo and a team from Ipswich,

Mass. will be played according to 1860s rules, in which players didn't wear gloves or helmets, there were no substitutions, and swearing wasn't allowed. After the game, team members will lead hands-on activities where kids can try 1860s-style hitting, pitching and fielding.

Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Lunch will be available for purchase all day. Please drive all the way down the driveway until you are directed where to park.

### "World War One: Letters Home" now on view at HHRC

The Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine is embarking on a year-long project focusing on personal correspondence from World War One with the opening of an exhibit called "World War One: Letters Home" at the Michael Klahr Center on the campus of the University of Maine at Augusta. The exhibit is open now through October 13, with a special program planned for Thursday, October 5 at 5:30 p.m.

"We don't tend to think of soldiers in solitary moments, especially when they're on the battlefield," said HHRC program director David Greenham. "For those of us who have

never been involved in an armed conflict, the concept is especially foreign. But in World War One and all wars before and since, soldiers in the field, and those supporting them on foreign soil and here at home, have had those quiet times to reflect and think about their friends and loved ones."

The exhibit, which features letters, photographs, and artifacts from many sources throughout Maine, sprang from a desire to find a more intimate and personal way to consider the centennial of "The Great War." Personal letters written home are a powerful way to reflect on the human

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## Short Film Fest at Public Theatre this weekend



In the Manhattan Short Film Festival entry “Hope Dies Last” (U.K.), a prisoner working as a barber for the Nazis fears every haircut may be his last. Local filmgoers will unite with audiences in over 250 cities spanning six continents to view and judge this and nine other short works by up-and-coming filmmakers from around the world when the 20th annual Manhattan Short Film Festival screens at the Public Theatre in Lewiston this weekend. Show times are Friday and Saturday, September 29 and 30 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, October 1 at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$8 and can be purchased by calling 782-3200 or online at [www.thepublictheatre.org](http://www.thepublictheatre.org).

## Margaritas to host Auburn “Battle of the Badges”

In honor of National Taco Day, Margaritas of Auburn will host a friendly “Battle of the Badges” between the Auburn Police and Fire Departments on Wednesday, October 4 at 7 p.m. The team with the first competitor to finish every bite of a two-pound, 12-inch Taco Gigante will win bragging rights for the next year, along with a \$100 gift certificate and a \$250 donation to the charity of their choice.



Available at all Margaritas Mexican Restaurants during the month of October, the Taco Gigante is a crispy foot-long shell filled with two pounds of fixings, including lettuce, refried beans, rice, ground beef, chicken, carnitas, cheese, salsa fresca, bacon, queso, hacienda sauce, picante sauce, crema, and pick-

Members of the Auburn Police and Fire Departments will race to finish a Taco Gigante, a crispy foot-long shell filled with two pounds of fixings.

led jalapeños. Guests don’t have to sit on the sidelines. Anyone who orders the Taco Gigante (\$12.99) any time on National Taco Day will receive a voucher for a second one free. Those who complete the “Taco Gigante

Challenge” by finishing the entire taco will win bragging rights and a spot on their local restaurant’s Wall of Fame. Margarita’s is located at 180 center Street in Auburn. For more information, call 782-6036.

## Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish offers workshop series

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Auburn will offer a free series of monthly workshops called “Becoming a Missionary Disciple.” The series will explore what it means to be a missionary disciple and how to begin living as one. Each workshop will take place at St. Philip Church, located on 2365 Turner Road in Auburn, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The workshop themes are “Understanding God’s See Workshop, page 12

## Organizers to form Life Chain in Lewiston-Auburn

Local organizers will form a Life Chain on Sunday, October 1, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., when local pro-lifers will line the sidewalks along both sides of the Longley Bridge between Auburn and Lewiston to display signs and pray for an end to abortion. This 24th annual event will take

place rain or shine. Children under close supervision are welcome and chairs may be brought for the elderly or handicapped. Participants are asked to gather at Great Falls Plaza next to the Auburn Post Office at 2 p.m. to pick up a poster. For more information, call 782-7721.

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# Twin City Nights

## Maggie Trafton Authors for Young Readers at APL



Auburn Public Library’s Maggie Trafton Authors for Young Readers series will present Maine authors Liza Gardner Walsh and Hazel Mitchell on Monday, October 2 at 6 p.m. in

the library’s Androscoggin Community Room. In a joint program called “Illustrated Rhymes,” Walsh and Mitchell will draw from their recent books, “Where Do Fairies Go When It Snows?” and “Do Fairies Bring the

Spring?” to discuss how to create a world through writing and illustrations. The program is free, but tickets are required and can be picked up at the library. For more information, call 333-6640, ext. 3.

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# Twin City Nights

## Workshop

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Plan” (Saturday, October 7), “Entering into God’s Plan” (Saturday, November 4), “Sharing God’s Plan” (Saturday, December 2), and “Living with a Mission” (Saturday, January 6). A full description of each workshop follows.

**October 7, Understanding God’s Plan.** The Catechism of the Catholic Church begins with the confident declaration that God has a master plan. Understanding this plan can

help us see everything in creation in its vital and eternal context. This workshop will present a sweeping survey of the Scriptures, highlighting those passages that invite us to discover the amazing, grace-filled goal that God has for each one of us.

**November 4, Entering into God’s Plan.** After gaining a better understanding of God’s plan, we find ourselves wanting more than ever to be able to enter into it as fully as possible. Jesus promised abundant life to us, graced with true

hope, real peace, and profound joy. What can we do to truly begin to enter into that promised life and learn to continually grow in it? In this workshop, participants will explore the amazing graces that are available through the sacraments and discover simple daily practices that can help enter the freedom of living as God’s own children.

**December 2, Sharing God’s Plan.** A vital part of God’s plan is that his people shall become “the light of the world” by bringing his love to the world, showing his compassion, and pro-

claiming the Good News of his plan. How can we do that? How do we begin? What can we say to strangers? How do we talk to our own children, grandchildren, brothers and sisters who have stopped practicing the faith? Participants will spend this day learning practical, powerful ways to draw people to Jesus.

**January 6, Living with a Mission.** The last workshop will focus on ways participants can learn to make the mission of being an ‘ambassador of Christ’ a priority in their lives by examining how small groups can be used to reach out to friends and neighbors.

For more information or to register for the workshops, call 782-8096, ext. 1202 or contact Don Smith at donald.smith@portlanddiocese.org.

## Calvary United Methodist to launch PB & J Club

Calvary United Methodist Church in Lewiston will try out a new concept in family Christian education this year with the launch of the PB & J Club (for “Peanut Butter and Jesus”) on Saturday, September 30. Instead of Sunday School on Sunday mornings, the last Saturday of each month will be dedicated to a family time of learning, celebration, and fun. Children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or other adult. Pre-registration is helpful but not required and walk-ins are welcome.

Sessions will run from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and will include a light lunch of sandwiches, fruit, and beverages. There will

be Bible stories, games, crafts, singing, discussions, and more. The first session will focus on beginnings, getting to know one another, and group-building through the Genesis story of Creation.

A reconciling church where everyone is welcome, Calvary United Methodist is located at 59 Sabattus Street, at the intersection with Bartlett and College Streets. Regular Sunday services are at 10:30 a.m. The church is wheelchair accessible and child care for very young children is available on Sundays. For more information about PB & J or the church’s other activities, call 782-3221 or see [www.calvarylewiston.org](http://www.calvarylewiston.org).

## Letters

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cost of conflict, whether from Bates College student Fred Creelman under fire in the trenches of France (“I am writing this letter with the roar of the guns about”) or Kilburn O. Sherman of Boothbay Harbor expressing his shock (“I never wish to remember things I have seen in the last month”).

Two of the featured stories in the exhibit focus on Mainers. Kilburn O. Sherman of Boothbay Harbor was a Bates student when he enlisted in the Marines.

A prolific writer who described his experiences to friends and family, Sherman was a decorated war hero who survived capture and a stint in the prison camp at Ratstatt, a small town on the Rhine River.

He was also honored with the French military honor the Croix de Guerre for his efforts in battle that saved the lives of French soldiers.

Following the war, he moved to Los Angeles and had a career in law enforcement but never stopped writing about his war experiences.

Murray Alexander Morgan was a Millinocket native who was a student at Colby College when war broke out in 1914. One of the Mainers who chose not to wait for the U.S. to enter the war, he left school just after Easter in 2015 and enlisted in the Canadian Light Infantry.

During his combat mission, he wrote frequently to one of his Colby professors. His letters are interesting and full of fight and optimism. Morgan was one of the first Mainers killed in action.

He died sometime between June 2 and 4, 1916 at

the Battle of Verdun.

“The letters in the exhibit include such a wide variety of emotions about a time when no one knew what might happen from one day to the next,” Greenham said. “In so many ways, the experiences of these individuals resonate directly with our present times, where politics, our climate, and our relationships with one another are all evolving.”

In addition to the letters and artifacts, visual artists Brenda Bettinson of Trevett has contributed several abstract works in honor of the centennial of the war and photographer Mark Wentland has contributed photographs of contemporary World War One reenactors.

The exhibit will be followed by a year of activities encouraging reading and reflection on the growing collection of World War One letters supporting the Letters Home project. The HHRC continues to collect letters, which it scans and transcribes, to incorporate. If you have family letters to share, please contact them. If you are a teacher or a member of a community organization and would like to discuss the incorporation of the letters into your work during 2018, contact HHRC Program Director David Greenham at [david.greenham@maine.edu](mailto:david.greenham@maine.edu).

The Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine is located in the Michael Klahr Center on the campus of the University of Maine at Augusta. The HHRC is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on weekends and evening by appointment. Exhibits and most programs are free and open to the public. For more information, call 621-3530 or visit [www.hhrcmaine.org](http://www.hhrcmaine.org).

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**Thursday, September 28**

Fall Speaker Series. 7 a.m. First Parish Church, 9 Cleveland St., Brunswick. The Brunswick Downtown Association welcomes Bill Green to discuss highlights from his broadcasting career. \$10. 729-4439. Register at [conta.cc/2wo10VZ](http://conta.cc/2wo10VZ).

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. Patti MacKinnon discusses her work teaching English to immigrant populations at Lewiston High School. Lunch avail.; no reservation required. 753 9040; [monica.millhime@maine.gov](mailto:monica.millhime@maine.gov).

HR Thursdays Workshop. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Attorney Michael Malloy discusses "The New I-9 Form: Its New Bark and How to Avoid its Bite." \$50 (Chamber members \$25; CMHRA members free). 783-2249. Register at [www.LAMetroChamber.com](http://www.LAMetroChamber.com).

Marine Corps League Meeting. 6 p.m. Lewiston Armory, 65 Central Avenue. Central ME Detachment 810 holds its monthly meeting; all Marines, FMF corpsman and Navy chaplains invited, along w. anyone interested in Marines Helping Veterans.

**Friday, September 29**

Book Sale. Cumston Public Library, 796 Main St., Monmouth. Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. is for members only; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. is open to the public. All items .25 to \$1. 933-2642.

Chicken Pie Supper. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Universalist Church, Route 117 (across from the Gazebo), Turner Center. Meal includes stuffing, vegetables, cranberry sauce, coffee, tea, punch, and apple crisp. Payment by donation.

Manhattan Short Film Festival. 7:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, Lewiston. Audiences at venues across the globe view the same 10 short films and vote for the winner. Again 9/30 and 10/1 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$8. 782-3200; [www.thepublictheatre.org](http://www.thepublictheatre.org).

**Saturday, September 30**

Fundraising Yard Sale. 7 a.m. to noon. United Methodist Church, 439 Park Ave., Auburn. The L-A Kiwanis and Boy Scout Troop 121 present this sale of household goods, small furniture, tools, children's toys and games, sporting equipment, and clothing.

"Art at Home" House Tour. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Eight homes in East Winthrop open their doors to display original décor and private art collections. Pres. by Kennebec Valley Art Assoc. \$20/25. 622-3813; <http://harlowgallery.org>.

"This Is What Happened." 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte.

# Calendar

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#117), So. Paris. Sally Jones hosts an evening of true stories from the lives of local storytellers. \$10. 743-8452; [www.CelebrationBarn.com](http://www.CelebrationBarn.com).

Puppet Show. 7:30 p.m. Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Rd. (just off Rte. #117), So. Paris. Faye Dupras presents "I Spy Butterfly," a show well-suited for ages 3-10, followed by a kids' butterfly puppet-making workshop. \$10/8. 743-8452; [www.CelebrationBarn.com](http://www.CelebrationBarn.com).

**Sunday, October 1**

Community Breakfast. 7:30 to 10 a.m. American Legion Post 135, 40 Island Rd., Sabattus. Eggs to order, French toast, chipped beef, pancakes, sausage, ham, baked beans, country fries, toast, muffins, orange juice, coffee, tea and milk. \$8 (\$3 kids ages 10-).

Pettengill Farm Day. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 31 Pettengill Rd., Freeport. Hosted by Freeport Historical Soc., this event features fun for all ages, incl. an old-time baseball game at noon. Lunch avail. for purchase all day. Admission \$5/2.

Life Chain. 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Local pro-lifers line up along both sides of Longley Bridge in Lewiston-Auburn to quietly pray for an end to abortion. Gather outside Auburn Post Office at 2 p.m. 782-7721.

New England Festival of Praise. 6 p.m. Baptist Church, 129 Court St., Auburn. This musical event features organist Mark Thallander, pianist Ken Medema, organist Scott Vaillancourt, singer Kathy Haley, and the Prince of Peace Handbell Choir. Free will offering.

Concert: Organist Gail Archer. 7:30 p.m. Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul, 122 Ash St., Lewiston. Archer performs works from her new album featuring Russian composers. Free. 777-1200.

**Monday, October 2**

Children's Author Visit. 6 p.m. Andro. Comm.

Room, Auburn Public Library. Maine authors Liza Gardner Walsh and Hazel Mitchell draw from their recent books to discuss how to create a world through writing and illustrations. Free, but tix required. 333-6640, ext. 3.

Memorial Vigil. 6 p.m. Festival Plaza, Auburn. Safe Voices hosts this annual rain-or shine procession, which marches over the bridge to Veterans Park in Lewiston, to honor those who have lost their lives to domestic violence. 795-6744; [safevoices.org](http://safevoices.org).

**Tuesday, October 3**

Multi-Faith Discussion Series. 12:30 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Local clergy discuss the perspectives of their respective faiths on pressing issues of the day. Refreshments. Free. 333-6649, ext. 4.

"Converting to an Employee-Owned Co-Op." 2 to 4 p.m. SeniorsPlus, 8 Falcon Rd., Lewiston. Business Ownership Solutions explains why this is a potentially attractive solution for many of the baby boomer business owners in Maine who will need to retire in the next decade or so. Free. Register at 795-4010.

Auburn Farmers' Market. 4 to 7 p.m. Happy Days parking lot, 67 Mill St. (park at Rolly's Diner). Local farmers and artisans gather to sell their fresh, seasonal, or homemade products. 320-1969.

Public Forum. 5:30 to 7 p.m. Gendron Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Uplift LA hosts this public forum, featuring speakers representing pro and con, on the proposed merger of Lewiston and Auburn. Free. [Matts@Communitycreditunion.com](mailto:Matts@Communitycreditunion.com).

**Thursday, October 5**

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. Today's guest speaker is Licensed Funer-

al Director Roger Theriault. Lunch avail.; no reservation required. 753 9040; [monica.millhime@maine.gov](mailto:monica.millhime@maine.gov).

Fall Mixer & Community Partner Awards. 5:30 p.m. Martindale Country Club, Auburn. Safe Voices celebrates its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with community awards, a social hour, and a silent auction. \$20. Register at 795-6744.

**Friday, October 6**

Aging Well, Living Well Expo. 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Grand Summit Hotel & Conf. Center, Sunday River, Bethel. Explore a variety of fun and serious topics from a choice of 20 avail. workshops. \$25 (incl. breakfast, lunch). 1-800-427-124; [www.seniorsplus.org](http://www.seniorsplus.org).

**Saturday, October 7**

Amgen Breakaway from Cancer Survivor Walk. 10 a.m. Simard-Payne Memorial Park, Lewiston. Actor Patrick Dempsey leads this walk for all cancer patients, survivors, and their families. Free; no registration required.

Turkey Dinner & Silent Auction. 5 to 7 p.m. Calvary United Methodist Church, 59 Sabattus St., Lewiston. Doors open at 4 p.m. to view auction items. Dinner is \$10 for adults, \$1 per year for kids 9 and under. 783-4875.

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ford Hills Middle School, 100 Pine St., So. Paris. Kip and Linda Moulton call and cue the dances; pres. by the Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club. \$7 (no charge for non-dancers). 782-4050.

**Sunday, October 8**

Second Sundays Art Workshop. 2 to 4 p.m. Harlow Gallery, 160 Water St., Hallowell. Louise Poirier Stickney leads a session on quilling. Open to all ages, experience levels; no registration required. Free. 622-3813.

**Monday, October 9**

Blood Drive. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nezinscot Lodge, 92 Weston Rd., Turner. Walk-ins welcome. For more info or to schedule a time, call Barry Gates at 212-0974.

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p.m. Holy Trinity Parish Hall, 67 Frost Hill Ave., Lisbon Falls. Hosted by the American Legion Post 66. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS or register online at [redcross-blood.org](http://redcross-blood.org).

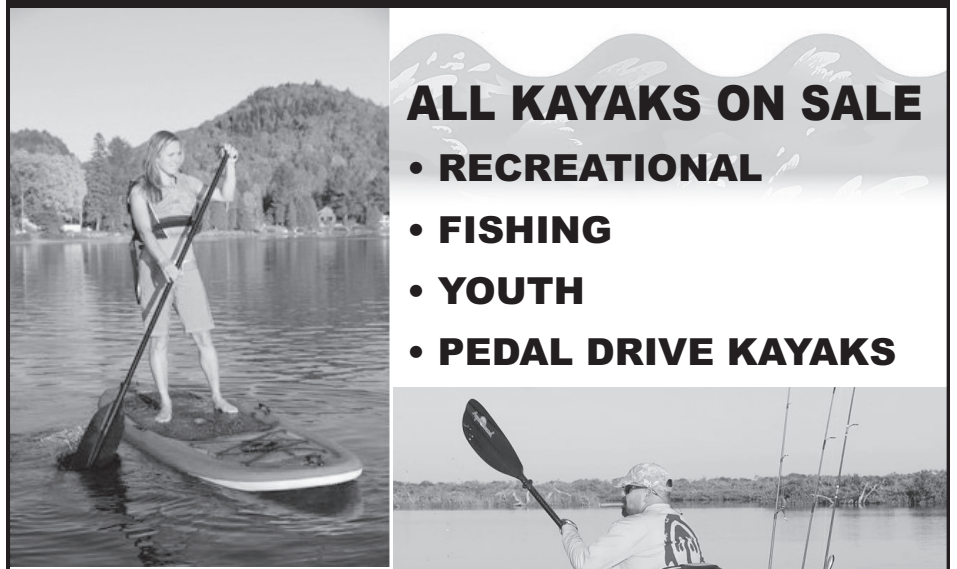
**Thursday, September 14**

L-A Metro Chamber Breakfast Meeting. 7 a.m. Hilton Garden Inn Riverwatch, 14 Great Falls Plaza, Auburn. This month's speaker will be Kevin Lewis, President & CEO of Community Health Options. \$30 (members \$20). 783-2249; [lametrochamber.com](http://lametrochamber.com).

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## Nutrition Center announces chefs for 12<sup>th</sup> annual Soirée



Carl Sheline and Dr. Rosemarie Sheline of Maple Way Dental Care, lead sponsor for the event, arrive at the Agora Grand Event Center for the 2016 Nutrition Center Soirée.

St. Mary's Nutrition Center has announced the roster of local chefs and food producers who will participate in the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Nutrition Center Soirée on Friday, October 13. The line-up includes Chef Tony Scherrer of Fish Bones American Grill, who will mentor teens from the Nutrition Center's youth programs as they prepare a variety of meatball appetizers using products from Double Z Land & Livestock; Chef Emily Claire Fournier of E. Claire and Pastries and Chef Kevin Cunningham of Cunningham Catering, who will provide appetizer

tasting stations featuring their creations; Chef Erin Dow of Eatwell Farm, who will cater the sit-down dinner; and Tripp's Farmhouse Café, which will provide a variety of desserts.

The evening will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a cocktail hour at St. Mary's Nutrition Center on Bates Street. Guests will enjoy appetizers and beverages as they tour the center, including the on-site garden in development and the Good Food Bus. At 6:30 p.m., guests will move across the street to the Agora Grand Event Center to visit the tasting stations and enjoy more complimentary beverages and a delicious and locally-sourced dinner, including rosemary garlic beef loin, roasted salmon, and five fresh and flavorful vegetarian dishes.

All proceeds from the event support the work of the Nutrition Center, home to over a dozen urban community gardens, an emergency food pantry, cooking and nutrition programs for people all ages, youth job training and leadership programs, the Lewiston Farmers' Market, and the Good Food Bus. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Nikki Withrow at 755-3366 or see [www.stmarysmaine.com/celebrate](http://www.stmarysmaine.com/celebrate).

## Optimist Club guest speaker



Guest speaker Cam Cain (l.) of NET Sports Group receives a copy of the Optimist Creed from L-A Optimist Club President George Mathews. Cain spoke to the club about NSG's recent donation of \$100,000 worth of work to Washburn Elementary School for the reconstruction of their playground area. He also described how their artificial turf product is installed and how they maintain some of their completed projects, such as the field at Gillette Stadium. They have done much work in the area, including fields at Bates, Colby, the University of Maine, Husson College, and local high schools.

## Operation Brotherhood seeks donations for homeless veterans

Operation Brotherhood, a non-profit organization created to support veterans and first responders, is seeking donations of personal hygiene and nonperishable food items for care packages that will be distributed at the VA Maine Homeless Veterans Stand Down in October. Accepted donations include razors, shaving cream, bar soap, lip balm, baby wipes, deodorant, female hygiene items, protein bars, snack items, canned goods, and other food items. Donations can be dropped off at VFW Post 1603, located at 588 Minot Avenue in Auburn, on Thursdays from 4 to 8 p.m., Fridays from 4 to 9 p.m., and Saturdays from 2 to 6 p.m. They may also be dropped off at the Hair Gallery on Water Street in Augusta, the VFW Service Office on the Togus campus, area VFW posts, and American Legion Post 153 in New Auburn. For more information on Operation Brotherhood, including donation and volunteer opportunities, call 514-4190 or 293-8044.

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