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Lisbon Historical Society program recalls Grand Army of the Republic



Dr. Charles Plummer (photo by Rachel Morin)

Well-known American Civil War scholar, historian, and living-history performer Dr. Charles Plummer will be the featured speaker at the Lisbon Historical Society meeting on Wednesday, May 9 at 7 p.m. Plummer will present an illustrated program on "The History and Ritual of the Grand Army of the Republic."

The largest fraternal organization of Union veterans established following the Civil War, the Grand Army of the Republic had close to 8,000 posts with about 500,000 members. Based on the three objectives of fraternity, charity and loyalty, the group counted among its members five who would serve as U.S. President: Ulysses S. Grant, Rutherford Haves, James Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, and William McKinley. Interestingly, only one woman was admitted to the G.A.R., Sarah Emma Edmunds, who disguised herself as a man named Franklin Thompson to serve with the 2nd Michigan Regiment.

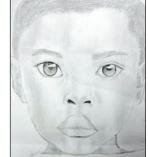
The G.A.R. was founded in Decatur, Illinois on April 6, 1866 by John Logan, who served as a general during the war, and Dr. Benjamin Franklin Stephenson, who was a surgeon with the 14th Illinois Regiment. Both founders were members of the Masonic Fraternity, and the initiation of members into the G.A.R. was patterned after the Masonic Ritual. Dr. Plummer has a copy of the initiation ritual used by a G.A.R. post he visited in Vermont and will elaborate on this club. He will conclude his presentation by discussing G.A.R. posts located in Androscoggin County, including Berry Post No. 10 in Lisbon.

Dr. Plummer will also talk about the last member of the G.A.R., Albert Woolson of Duluth, Minnesota. Upon his death at age 109, Wilson was listed as the sole survivor of the three million men who served in the Union armed forces during the war. When he died in 1956, the Grand Army of the Republic was formally dissolved.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the meeting. Please park and enter at the rear of the MTM building at 18 School Street in Lisbon Falls. For more information, call 353-8510 or email LisbonHistSoc@gmail. com.



Untitled work by Willie Blanchette (ceramic)



Self-portrait by Andy Tib*bets (graphite on paper)*

The LA Arts Gallery at 221 Lisbon Street in Lewiston invites the community to celebrate the artistic achievements of students at Lewiston High School. Throughout the month of May, the gallery will exhibit selected artworks completed during the school year by students of Lewiston High School art teachers Jody Dube, Kyna Pitula, Nathaniel Meyer, and Sarah Stoker.







The works are in a variety of media, including ceramics, drawing, photography, and painting.

The exhibition runs May 4 through 28. Gallery hours are Wednesdavs through Fridays from 12 to 4 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Coinciding with the first Art Walk of the season, a reception for the artists will take place on Friday, May 25, from 5 to 8 p.m. The exhibition and reception are free



Untitled work by Angelina Thomas-Billings (linoleum cut

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Newsmakers, Names & Faces

CMCC names All-Maine **Academic Team members**

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Mark Swiedom and Angela Cafarelli are pictured here at the college's annual dinner with CM Education Foundation Board Chair Christina Bosse (l.) and CMCC President Scott Knapp (r.). Looking on from the podium is Academic Dean Betsy Libby.

Two Central Maine Community College students were among the 14 Maine community college students named to the 2018 All-Maine Academic Team for two-year colleges. The CMCC students receiving the award, which includes a \$500 scholarship, are Angela Cafarelli of Greene and Mark Swiedom of Hebron.

Cafarelli is a high honors student in the Human Services program. A co-facilitator for Maine's Youth Leadership Advising Team, she works full-time as a pharmacy technician at CVS. A member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, she plans to continue her education after CMCC to earn a bachelor's degree in social work and then a master's degree in human services. She hopes to become a caseworker in the human services field.

Swiedom is a student in the Medical Coding and Electronic Health Records program. A member of Phi Theta Kappa, he will graduate with President's Honors this spring and will pursue a Bachelor of Science through the Health Information Management program of the City of New York School of Professional Studies. He may also pursue graduate studies in Health Information Management and is considering a career in health information and research or as a community college faculty member.

A program of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society for two-year colleges, the All-Maine Academic Team recognizes outstanding academic achievement, leadership, and service.

City of Auburn appoints new Fire Chief

The City of Auburn has appointed Robert Chase as the new Chief of the Auburn Fire Department. Chase, who served for eight years as Fire Chief for the Town of Rumford, has served as Auburn's Deputy Fire Chief since January.

Chase has demonstrated outstanding commitment to the Fire Service profession and to the field of emergency medicine through his educational achievements and career experience. He has a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering Technology from the University of Maine at Orono and is certified as a Fire Officer and Fire

Instructor. Additionally, he is a Maine Emergency Medical Technician, serves on the Maine Fire Services Institute Advisory Board, and is involved with - and trains for - the Oxford County Incident Management and Hazardous Materials Team.

"I am confident that Chief Chase's training, skills, experience, and leadership will bring great value to the City of Auburn's public safety team," said City Manager Peter Crichton. "He is a great addition to our leadership team and will help position the Auburn Fire Department to meet the challenges that lie ahead."

MSAD 52 instructor completes TESOL certification



Stacey Keniston was last year's recipient of the Maine Adult Education Association scholarship, which supports teachers in enhancing their instructional practice.

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Stacey Keniston of Turner recently completed a 15-week online course through Anaheim University to become Teaching Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)-certified. Keniston was last year's

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recipient of the Maine Adult Education Association scholarship, which supports teachers in enhancing their instructional practice. **TESOL** coursework provides a balance of foun-

dational knowledge and real-world skills for teaching English as a second language. Candidates for certification learn how to plan lessons that incorporate materials relevant to the lives and interests of their students. The TESOL approach is to have students do more of the talking.

Keniston decided to apply for the scholarship to take the certification course because she wanted to acquire skills that would enable her to help her students become more successful. "Instead of focusing only on reading, I discovered that See Certification, page 4

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First Universalist Church welcomes new members



Here (l. to r., from front) are Patrianna Ferris, Ed Bell, Wendy Darling, membership chair Paula Spruill, Rev. Jodi Hayashida, Peggy Cox, David Dexter, Steve and Jackie Majerus-Collins, Angie Foss, and Lou Giard. Not pictured is Gregory Onnen.

The First Universalist Church of Auburn welcomed several new members in April. This energetic group learned about the history and principles of Unitarian Universalism and opportu-

nities to minister within the church. New member sessions are offered twice each year by the Membership Committee. For more information, call 783-0461 or visit www.auburnuu.org.

Maine receives more than \$3.2 million to help secure election systems

U.S. Senators Susan Collins and Angus King, both members of the Senate Intelligence Committee, have announced that the U.S. Election Assistance Commission will award the State of Maine \$3,287,528 through the 2018 Help America Vote Act Election Security Grant Program to help secure election systems and voting infrastructure. This funding is part of the \$380 million that the Senators helped to secure for election security grants in the Fiscal Year 2018 funding bill.

"While our investigation is still ongoing, we know for certain that the Russians were relentless in their efforts to meddle in the 2016 elections, and that those efforts are continuing," said Senators Collins and King in a joint state-

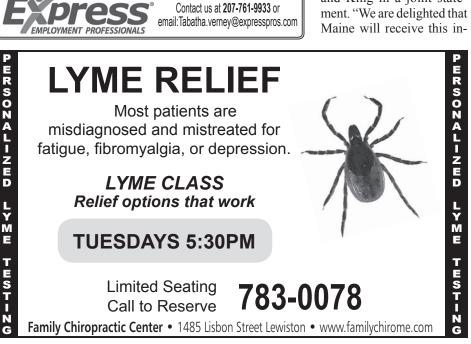
vestment of more than \$3.2 million to help strengthen the integrity of our elections. This federal funding will provide states across the country with the support and resources needed to update voting technology and protect voter registration files."

Funding through the 2018 HAVA Election Security Grant Program may be used to: replace voting equipment that only records a voter's intent electronically with equipment that utilizes a voter verified paper record; implement a post-election audit system that provides a high level of confidence in the accuracy of the final vote tally; upgrade election-related computer systems to address cyber vulnerabilities identified through Department of Homeland Security or similar scans or assessments of existing election systems; and facilitate cybersecurity training for the state chief election official's office and local election officials. In March, Senators Collins and King participated in a press conference to unveil the Intelligence Committee's findings and recommendations on threats to U.S. election infrastructure. In addition, Senator Collins recently joined a bipartisan group in introducing a revised version of the Secure Elections Act, legislation to strengthen

election cybersecurity in

America.





Governor's Address: Minimum Wage Propaganda Drives Higher Prices and Taxes

Maine's progressives have been selling the benefits of the minimum wage increase using faulty analysis. Don't buy the hype. Our businesses and our state budget will face significant challenges when the minimum wage rises to 11 and 12 dollars an hour over the next two years.

We've all heard the old saying about lies and statistics. Here's the latest example: two recent blogs by the progressive Maine Center for Economic Policy incorrectly use workforce data to support raising the minimum wage.

In a January 8 blog,

MECEP incorrectly attributes our 2017 wage gain to the increased minimum wage. According to economists at our Department of Labor, total wages paid were unusually low in the fourth quarter of 2016 and unusually high in the first quarter of 2017. This was not due to the minimum wage referendum. Rather, many employers delayed bonuses and other annual performance payments from December to January.

Why the delay? Because businesses expected incoming President Trump—with the Republican-controlled Congress—would pass tax cuts as promised. Looking at



Governor Paul R. LePage

the 2017 data without that important context is misleading. But progressives' misunderstanding of workforce data leads to greater deceptions.

For instance, MECEP's blog dated April

Association's membership

2 draws a number of misleading conclusions. The worst claim is their argument that in 2017, low-wage workers received their largest annual increase in earnings in the last 15 years.

But the 2017 data is not representative of a single year of employment wage gains. Two of the years included in the 2017 data set, 2015 and 2016, preceded any increase in Maine's minimum wage.

The 2017 wage gains are largely from our improving economy, which is driving the fastest rise in real average wages in two decades—not the minimum wage. Once again, progressives prove they know little about economics, yet remain ready to tell you how to run your business.

Instead of listening to progressive falsehoods, let's listen to our employers, who testified to the Legislature that they'll cut hours and raise prices if the minimum wage increases.

Our state budget faces a similar challenge. We need to increase reimbursements to non-profit healthcare agencies to compensate for rising wages. To pay for this, the state must raise taxes.

A short-term budget fix will not resolve the ongoing pressure to raise wages. Year after year, these non-profits will need more money to keep pace. We need to take the pressure off wages. One way to do this is to allow our 14- and 15-year-olds to enter the workforce more quickly by eliminating the work-permit requirement during summer months.

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This would make almost 30,000 workers immediately available to employers. Several states, including Arizona, Florida and Oregon, do not require any work permits.

So don't fall for the progressives' propaganda. It's bad for our state budget, and it's bad for our businesses

> Thank you. Paul LePage Governor

New member of Maine Music Society board of directors

for the Lewiston Public Li-

brary for 12 years. She has

also worked as a substitute

teacher, a manufacturing

assistant at Thos Moser,

and is a former organist and

choir director for the Minot

as chair of the Maine Library

Whitmore has served

Methodist Church



Sheryl Whitmore

The Maine Music Society has announced that Sheryl Whitmore has joined its Board of Directors. She brings a multitude of diverse experience to the position, including interning in the Lewiston office of Senator Ed Muskie, serving on the Lisbon Redevelopment Board, and acting as the Total Quality Management representative for the City of Lewiston.

With an education-

committee, a member of the Poland Spring Preservation Society, and in choirs and various lay positions with the Unitarian Universalist, Methodist, and St. Michael's churches. She is currently a member of the Maine Music Society Chorale, volunteers with Androscoggin Home Care and Hospice, and belongs to Women Giving Back. Her hobbies include singing, quilting, kayaking, hiking, biking, and reading. She and her husband of 51 years, Jonathan, have two sons and five grandchildren. She resides in Auburn.

The Maine Music Society is a nonprofit music-performing organization that strives to serve the communities of Central Maine through imaginative and artistically excellent public performances and educational activities for youth. For more information, see www.mainemusicsociety. org.

A-L Airport prepares for upcoming improvement projects by hiring consultant

The Auburn-Lewiston Airport's Board of Directors voted recently to select Gale Associates, Inc. for on-call airport planning and engineering services. Gale will assist the Auburn-Lewiston Airport with upcoming infrastructure projects, funded jointly by the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Maine DOT.

Gale brings over 25 years of airport planning and engineering expertise to Auburn-Lewiston Airport, and their selection comes as the airport embarks on a multi-year implementation of major capital improvement projects. Part of a rolling five-year plan, the upcoming projects include reconstruction of the airport's two runways, safety area improvements, new fueling facilities, and the rehabilitation of aircraft aprons. This new partnership will enhance the technical strength of the airport's team as they begin these significant and much needed facility upgrades.

Auburn-Lewiston Airport (LEW) is a public-use general aviation facility, jointly owned by the Cities of Auburn and Lewiston. Situated entirely within the City of Auburn, LEW is conveniently located off Interstate 95, Exit 75. LEW has two runways, designated 04-22 (5,001' x 100') and 17-35 (2,750' x 75'). There are approximately 65 aircraft based at LEW, with based and itinerant aircraft generating approximately 52,000 annual operations. Support facilities include rental car services, aircraft maintenance, and 100LL and Jet-A fuel. For more information about Auburn-Lewiston Airport, contact Rick Lanman, AAE, ACE, Airport Director at 786-0631 or manager@flytomaine.com, or visit www. flytomaine.com.

Gale is a consulting firm of aviation and civil engineers, architects, planners, and building enclosure experts specializing in

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al background in history and library studies, she received her State Librarian in Charge certificate and served as director of the Lisbon Falls Community Library for seven years and as reference librarian



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Pictured here with coaches Will McCorkle and Ian Crocker are members of the YWCA's Tiger Sharks competitive swim team for boys and girls ages 6 through 18. For more information about the Tiger Sharks or other water fitness or training opportunities at the YWCA, call 795-4050 or visit www.ywcamaine.org.

UMaine offers free college summer courses for qualified high school students

Through a partnership between the Maine Department of Education and the University of Maine System, tuition is waived for all qualified high school students in Maine to cover up to 12 college credits per year.

Starting May 14, the University of Maine will offer summer courses suitable for rising high school juniors and seniors. Early college courses are available at the University of Maine campus in Orono, the UMaine Hutchinson Center

in Belfast, and online.

Classes are taught by world-class UMaine faculty and meet general education requirements of the University of Maine System, as well as the majority of colleges nationwide. Students around the state will benefit from the flexibility and variety of live and online early college courses offered this summer.

Condensed to a sixweek format, courses begin May 14 or June 25. Topics include art history; astronomy; Canadian studies; child development and family relations; communication and journalism; English; food science and human nutrition; geography; history; leadership studies; mathematics; Maine studies; peace studies; political science; psychology; Spanish; statistics; and women's, gender, and sexuality studies.

To learn more about the application process, interested students and parents should contact academic adviser Amy Smith at 338-8004 or amy.m.smith@ maine.edu.

Maine State Music Theatre tickets now on sale

60th Anniversary Season - 2018



Tickets for Maine State Music Theatre's 2018 season are now on sale. There is already a limited number of single tickets available, so buying early is recommended.

The first show of the season rolls in June 6 through 23 with a high dose of rock and roll. Elvis Presley... Johnny Cash... Jerry Lee Lewis... Carl Perkins a historic foursome brought together by an extraordinary twist of fate on a December evening in 1956. This meeting at Sun Records would become one of the greatest jam sessions ever in "Million Dollar Quartet." The second show ushers in a beloved fairytale and is one of the largest of the season, with expansive sets, beautifully crafted costumes, a large chorus with a robust sound, and more! Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" comes to Brunswick June 27 through July 14.

18 through August 4. Based on the 1977 blockbuster film, this musical whisks audiences back to the 1970s, when open shirts, bell-bottoms, and disco were all the rage.

Closing the Diamond Jubilee season on the Pickard Stage August 8 through 25 will be "Singin' in the Rain," faithfully and lovingly adapted for the stage from their original, award-winning screenplay by Broadway legends Betty Comden and Adolph Green. Each unforgettable scene, song, and dance is accounted for here, including the show-stopping title number. In addition to its main stage shows, MSMT will offer a Monday Performance Series. For the first time ever, this series is also offered as a subscription. First up on Monday, June 18 is "I Love a Piano," a celebration of the music and lyrics of Irving Berlin. On Monday, July 30 comes the loving send-up of small-town 1960s America "Bye Bye Birdie." Ending the Concert Series on August 13 is "The

Best of MSMT," a celebration of Maine State Music Theater's last 60 years featuring favorite performers past and present. Theatre for Young Audiences shows for 2018 include "Cinderella" on June 13 and 16 and "Pinocchio" on August 20

Tickets can be purchased by calling 725-8769, by visiting the box office at 22 Elm Street in Brunswick,

Food for Thought luncheon features Land Trust director



Shelley Kruszewski enjoys exploring the outdoors, especially near any source of water.

L-A Senior College will welcome Shelley Kruszewski, Executive Director of the Androscoggin Land Trust, as the guest speaker for its next Food for Thought luncheon on Friday, May 11 at noon. Food for Thought luncheons are open to the public and take place in Room 170 at USM's Lewiston-Auburn campus, located at 50 Westminster Street in Lewiston.

The Androscoggin Land Trust is a private, 501(c)(3) non-profit, membership-supported organization with headquarters in Auburn. Founded in 1989, it currently protects over 5,000 acres, including 10 miles of the Androscoggin riverfront between Lisbon and Jay.

Much as Senior College students are forever learning, the Androscoggin Land Trust is forever conserving forests, fields, wetlands, and farmlands for habitat, resource protection, outdoor activities, and sustainable agriculture. Conservation efforts are then followed by creating opportunities to enjoy the land. Volunteers help create and maintain trails, organize paddling and snowshoeing events, and habitat education hikes. They even teach kids how to fish in downtown Lewiston-Auburn.

Shelley Kruszewski joined ALT in August of degree in Community Planning and Development, with a focus on Land Use and the Environment. She has worked as a graduate assistant at the Association of State Wetland Managers, as an Outreach Intern for ReTreeUS, and leading tours at a butterfly garden that included a leaf cutter ant colony and many other insects. She previously worked for several years in the legal field and in a school admission office, where she coached a high school sports team. She enjoys exploring the outdoors, especially near any source of water. Born and raised in Maine,

she lives in Auburn with her husband.

Is there really a bog with a boardwalk in Lewiston? Where can I paddle on the River? How can I find out what I'm looking at while I hike or paddle? Can I take my dog on the trails? These and other questions will be answered at the program.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m. If you wish to have lunch, the cost is \$8, and an advanced reservation is required. To reserve, call 753-6510 before noon on Wednesday, May 9. Food may also be purchased at the campus cafeteria.



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The season's third production, "Saturday Night Fever," brings back the music of the Bee Gees July

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2016. She has a master's



What's Going On

Community Work Day at Shaker Village



You'll meet friendly people who come from across Maine and New England to support the Shakers in continuing their enduring traditions.

Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, home to the world's only living Shakers, will open its doors to friends and volunteers for a Community Work Day on Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Join the Shakers to help with spring clean-up and other chores around their historic buildings, barns, gardens, and grounds, located at 707 Shaker Road in New Gloucester.

This is a unique opportunity to spend a day

enjoying the beauty and serenity of this 235-year-old farm while walking in the footsteps of generations of Shakers before. Meet friendly people who come from across Maine and New England to support the Shakers in continuing their enduring traditions. At the end of the day, a potluck dinner will be served community-style in the Shakers' Dwelling House. To register, call 926-4597 or email info@maineshakers.com.

City of Auburn seeks artists, venues for Art Walk L-A

The City of Auburn, in partnership with L/A Arts, is seeking Auburn artists and venues for Art Walk L-A 2018, which will occur on the last Friday of each month from May through September. Art Walk L-A showcases local artists and their work, displaying the artwork in local businesses, typically along a designated walking route. Venues and artists may commit to the entire season or just specific months. Participants are encouraged to leave artwork on display for several weeks

to increase exposure.

"Art Walk is an extraordinary community event that supports local arts and culture," said Auburn Recreation Director Sabrina Best. "This collaboration brings new and current customers to local venues, while showcasing some amazing artwork. I encourage local businesses and artists to get involved." For more information about Art Walk L-A. contact Auburn Recreation Director Sabrina Best at 333-6601 ext. 2101 or sbest@auburnmaine.gov.

Send all items for What's Going On to **Editor@Twin** CityTimes.com. Deadline is Friday by five.

Sawyer Memorial program chronicles canoe adventure



Bob Kimber is a freelance writer and adventurer who writes extensively on outdoor and environmental subjects.

Freelance writer and adventurer Bob Kimber will present his program "From Magpie River to Ossokmanuan Reservoir" at Sawyer Memorial in Greene on Friday, May 11 at 2 and 7 p.m. Kimber will show photos from and provide commentary on the joys and rigors of this twenty-one-portage canoe odyssey that fellow paddler Hugh Stewart dubbed "the trip that wouldn't give an inch." Both shows are free and open to the public. Robert Kimber is a

free-lance writer and translator with a special interest in outdoor and environmental subjects. His work has appeared in Audubon, Field & Stream, Harrowsmith, Horticulture, Yankee, and other publications. He has also

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been a columnist for Northern Woodlands magazine. His books include "Upcountry: Reflections from Rural Life," "A Canoeist's Sketchbook," and "Living Wild and Domestic: The Education of a Hunter-Gardener." He started trekking around Maine's Western Mountains about sixty years ago and has since hiked, canoed, and snowshoed extensively in Maine, Labrador, and Northern Ouebec.

The Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial is located at 371 Sawyer Road in Greene. For more information, call 946-5311, visit sawyer-foundation.com, or find them on Facebook at "sawyer. foundation1937".

see if you qualify, call them at 1-800-427-1241. Headquartered in Lewiston, SeniorsPlus is the Western Maine designated Agency on Aging covering Franklin, Oxford and Androscoggin counties.

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Lamey Wellehan offers Maine **Difference Scholarship**

For the last twenty years, Lamey Wellehan has sponsored the Maine Difference Scholarship. This renewable, four-year, \$1000 scholarship is awarded to three Maine high school seniors to support their attendance at a Maine college or university. Motivated students with a desire to apply the skills and knowledge they acquire in college toward improving the economy or environment of the State of Maine are encouraged to apply. Applications are available by emailing info@lwshoes. com or through their website at www.lwshoes.com.

Rotary Lunch Club hosts BookReach coordinator



Trisha Scribellito

The Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Lunch Club will present guest speaker Trisha Scribellito at its next meeting on Thursday, May 10, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Village Inn at 165 High Street in Auburn. Scribellito is the coordinator of BookReach, a non-profit early literacy program supported by the Lewiston and Auburn Public Libraries that serves daycares in Lewiston,

When time allows, she enjoys volunteering in her child's classroom. Guests are welcome, and no reservations are required. For more information, call 713-7045 or see www.lewis-

BookReach, Scribellito at-

tended the University of

Southern Maine and worked

at Lewiston Public Library.

A resident of Lisbon Falls,

she is married, has a 10-year-

old son, and is expecting

another child in early July.

arship is to help educate Maine students to afford them the opportunity to help better their home state. Increasingly concerned about acidification and the accumulation of plastic debris in our oceans, Lamey Wellehan ended its use of all plastic and paper pointof-sale packaging upon its 100th anniversary in 2014. With money saved from this measure, they chose to invest in our future to support two more students each year through the scholarship program. They look forward to hearing the stories and goals of this year's Maine high school seniors for the betterment of Maine. INTRODUCING PEDAL POWER

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Historic Preservation Review Board to honor restored Deposit & Trust Building today

The historic Deposit & Trust Building at 46 Lisbon Street in Lewiston, along with its owners, Kevin Morin and Dianna Pozdiakov, will be honored on May 3 by the Lewiston Historic Preservation Review Board at the board's annual ceremony recognizing outstanding historic preservation efforts. The event will take place on site at 3 p.m. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

The rehabilitation of the Deposit & Trust Building demonstrates how small-scale redevelopment can help revitalize historic downtowns. The building was constructed in 1895 and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1985. Over the years, the iconic granite-and-black glass façade has stood as one of the more significant small commercial buildings in downtown Lewiston, and its just completed rehabilitation has returned it to its former glory.

The granite facade was cleaned, the mortar was repointed, and the historic wood windows and deco-style storefront were completely restored. The

first-floor commercial space, with its original mosaic floor tiles, is once again a retail store.

Vacant for at least 40 years, rehabilitating the upper floors was a challenge, but also an opportunity for the building's owners.

"Despite being in poor condition visually, the superior building materials used a century ago were remarkably intact," said Morin. "Their reuse was the best option, both financially and for longevity. The end result is a project that highlights the historic character of the building, but yet is unmistakably modern. Converting the interior from its previous office use to residences required certain modifications, but the apartment design prioritized maintaining the historic character."

Floor plans were changed minimally. Doors, windows, and openings were preserved, and the original wood floors were refinished. New electrical, plumbing, heating, and communications systems were seamlessly integrated.

"It was attention to the small details that gives the

acter," added Morin. Gas powered brass wall sconces were re-wired, restored, and reinstalled. A marble vanity that had been home to roosting pigeons was cleaned and reinstalled in the half bath. Historic doors that had been removed due to changes in the floor plan were repurposed as sliding barn doors. Original window glass was retained and cleaned. Most distinctively, a four-by-fourby-seven-foot wood and glass display case that had been sitting unused on the third floor for decades was repurposed as a dramatic chandelier above the kitchen island.

project its defining char-

Each year, in observance of National Preservation Month, the City of Lewiston's Historic Preservation Review Board recognizes outstanding preservation efforts to raise awarenessoftheimportantrole historic preservation plays in protecting and enhancing historic communities and neighborhoods. Such preservation promotes a sense of community, energizes local economies, and renews existing resources.

Chamber presents Top Gun Regional Pitch-Off

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Top Gun Regional Pitch-Off on Wednesday, May 9 at 5 p.m. at the Ramada Conference Center at 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Participants will engage in promoting their businesses in front of a relevant and appreciative audience as four teams of entrepreneurs present five-minute pitches to a panel of judges comprised of local public and private sector leaders. Two winners will be selected to advance to the statewide Top Gun Showcase in Portland on May 23, where they will compete for a \$25,000 grand prize. The event is free and open to the public. Register to attend at www.LAMetro-Chamber.com.

Top Gun is designed to accelerate entrepreneurial development through a combination of training, mentoring, and community engagement. The program identifies high potential entrepreneurs through a competitive application process in January. In February, those selected are matched with mentors who help guide them as they continue to develop their innovative products, business models, and companies. Classes of six to twelve entrepreneurs in each location convene weekly for networking, workshopping, and mentoring meetings over dinner. Sessions can include opportunities for pitch practice, brief presentations by experienced entrepreneurs, and discussions about such diverse topics as salesmanship, bootstrapping, hiring, firing, and legal issues.

The Lewiston-Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce exists to help make LA Maine not only a welcoming place to do business, but also an ideal place to live. To learn more, call 783-2249 or visit lametrochamber.com.

Diocese offers threat response workshops for Maine houses of worship

To enhance awareness Emergency Management Office of Professional Reof targeted behavior - some Agency; and other state and sponsibility for the Diocese

What's Going On

Maine Event Comedy at Baxter Brewing



Ben Quick

Maine Event Comedy will present the hilarious and multi-talented Ben Quick at Baxter Brewing on Friday, May 4 at 7 p.m., where he'll be joined by Sarah Blodgett, Rasheed Townes, and Michele Mortensen.

Combining a wide array of comedic chops, which translate seamlessly into his singing, songwriting, and guitar playing, Quick's energetic presence is undeniable and uncompromising. The Boston native was recently featured in San Francisco's

Comedy Studio. He is a at the Comedy Studio, co-producer of Comedy Party, which presents five different shows throughout Boston.

Blodgett has appeared on the Today Show, Inside Edition, and Pulse Magazine. Her writing has been published in Reader's Digest and the award-winning Mug of Woe series. She also competed as the only stand-up comic in the 2006 Miss Massachusetts Pageant.

forming and writing comedy since his days as a Harvard

Laugh Boston, and ImprovBoston.

An accomplished actress, writer, and musician, Mortensen hails from Hampton, NH and recently competed in New York City's She-Devil Comedy Festival. She was twice selected to perform in the World Series of Comedy and has opened for Boston legend Lenny Clarke.

The show is free and Townes has been per- open to those ages 21 and older. Baxter Brewing is located at 130 Mill Street student. His material draws in Lewiston. For more

violent - directed toward houses of worship and to offer guidance in developing emergency operations plans, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland will host oneday workshops in Lewiston, Scarborough, and Caribou for clergy, leadership, and staff from houses of worship of all religious denominations in Maine.

The training will be provided by personnel from sponsoring agencies, including the United States Attorney's Office; the Office of Infrastructure Protection. a branch of the Department of Homeland Security; the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); the Maine local first responders.

The workshops are free of charge and are not the same as the workshops offered to Maine houses of worship in January of 2017. They will address planning and preparing for an active threat, building your own emergency operations plan, government responses and resources, and other faith-based experiences with public safety issues.

"These workshops will educate participants on targeted incidents that have caused disruptions at churches or other houses of worship," said Michael Magalski, the director of the of Portland. "The day will include panel discussions about working with local emergency response teams, preparing communications protocols, and best practices for planning and response."

The local workshop will take place on Thursday, May 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Holy Family Church Hall, 607 Sabattus Street in Lewiston. Registration is required online at www. usaometraining.org/Faith-CommunitiesLewiston.

If you have questions or encounter problems registering, contact Heather Putnam with the U.S. Attorney's Office in Portland at 780-3257.

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from pop culture and his ex- information, call 513-0742 perience as a stay-at-home or email maineeventcomdad. He's a familiar face edy@gmail.com.

City schedules public meetings to plan 150th anniversary celebration

The City of Auburn For the remainder of 2018, the Sesquicentennial will mark the 150th anniversary of its transition Celebration Committee will from a town to a city in meet on the last Wednesday 2019. In advance of this of each month at 6 p.m. in milestone, Auburn Mayor the Androscoggin Com-Jason Levesque is seeking munity Room at Auburn community members and Public Library, located at organizations to be part of 49 Spring Street. Those the planning and coordinainterested in serving on one tion of city-wide activities of the five following workfor the 2019 celebration. groups are invited to attend:

School-Related Events and Programs, City Wide Events and Programs, Fundraising Efforts, Historical Connections, and Media/Promotional Items.

To learn more about this event, the committee. or the workgroups, contact Recreation Director Sabrina Best at 333-6601, ext. 2101 or sbest@auburnmaine.gov.

What's Going On

CMCC offers professional development courses for law enforcement; registration deadline May 11

The Center for Workforce & Professional Development at Central Maine Community College will offer two unique professional development courses for those working in the law enforcement field, both led by retired Lieutenant Kevin Dillon of L.O.C.K.U.P. Police Combat Arrest and Control Systems.

"Police Use of Force for Command, Supervisors, and Trainers," on Monday, May 14, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., examines the most recent and up-to-date issues that impact executive and mid-level managers concerning police use-offorce incidents. This broad overview concentrates on multiple issues ranging from daily officer citizen complaints to investigative issues involving deadly force encounters.

"Law Enforcement Active De-escalation Strategies (L.E.A.D.S.)," on Friday, May 18, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., teaches tactics to recognize and diffuse aggression. Participants learn active de-escalation strategies to avoid or resolve interactions in difficult situations. The course also expands upon distraction techniques that promote successful tactical applications and discusses tactical responses when diffusion tactics are inappropriate or ineffective.

The cost for each course is \$125. The deadline for registration is Friday, May 11. For more information or to register, contact the Center for Workforce & Professional Development at 755-5280, email workforcedevelopment@cmcc. edu, or visit www.cmcc.edu/ training.

Check TCT every week for updated Calendar listings!





Do you love to bake and want to help save the lives of local feral cats? Tommy's Feral Feline Friends is seeking bakers to provide baked goods for their Mother's Day Bake Sale and Bottle Drive on Saturday and Sunday, May 12 and 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will take place under a tent at Chapter 11 at 707 Main Street in Lewiston.

Your bake goods, bottles, and donations will support Tommy's efforts to save the lives of the area's forgotten feral cats living wild in local colonies, who were hit hard by this winter's harsh weather and whose shelters need to be rebuilt. Donations are always appreciated and can be sent to Tommy's Feral Feline Friends at P.O. Box 274, Greene, Maine 04236. For more information, contact Norm Blais at normblais39@yahoo.com.

AVSWCD offers "Pond Design and Biology" workshop

The Androscoggin Valley Soil and Water Conservation District will present a program for those interested in building, maintaining, or stocking a pond on Thursday, May 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Called "Pond Design and Biology," the workshop will take place at the Schott Property at 303 South River Road in Greene and counts for full re-certification in Erosion and Sediment Control by the Maine DEP.

The program will cover such topics as pond design, construction, maintenance, location, sizing, troubleshooting, best management practices, pond chemistry, pond and riparian habitat features, and fish stocking.

After the classroom portion of the workshop,

Next Chamber Breakfast at Kora Shrine Center

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce's May Breakfast Meeting will take place on Thursday, May 10 at 7 a.m. at the Kora Shrine Center at 11 Sabattus Street in Lewiston. The cost to attend is \$20 for members participants will hike to a pond on the property. Come prepared with proper clothing and footwear for the season. Those unable to traverse the uneven land of the property are welcome to attend just the classroom portion of the program. Light refreshments will be served at mid-morning.

The presenters will be USDA NRCS Agricultural Engineer Candi Gilpatric and Somerset County Soil and Water Conservation District Executive Director Joseph Dembeck. Space is limited, and the \$25 registration fee is due at the Androscoggin Valley SWCD office by May 4. To register, contact Jocelyn at 241-5374 or mail a check made out to AVSWCD to 254 Goddard Road, Lewiston, ME 04240.

vility is organized around three core strategies: Pledge, Engage, and Organize. They ask people to make a personal commitment to improve civility and respect in their own lives, engage elected officials and com-

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and \$30 for non-members. Registration is available at www.LAMetroChamber. com.

This month's speaker will be Mark E. Hews, MPA, president of M.E. Hews and Company, LLC. He will speak on the topic "Promoting Civility and Respect - Pledge, Engage, Organize." Revive Civility is a grassroots initiative committed to helping foster an open exchange of ideas and expression of values, leading to better problem-solving, more effective government, and more inclusive and engaged communities.

munity leaders to do the same, and organize one of four conversation types in their communities. This creates an effective framework to address self-identified community issues. Maine Revives Civility is a project of the National Institute of Civil Discourse. For more information, see www.revivecivility.org.

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Maine's most ability-inclusive race set for May 20



Benefitting Independence Association, this professionally-timed running race puts competitive runners and disabled adults and children on the same courses at the same times.

The sixth annual Androscoggin Bank Run for Independence will take place on Sunday, May 20, with runs starting at 8:15 a.m. from Brunswick Junior High School at 65 Columbia Street in Brunswick. With 5k, 10k, and one-mile course certifications pending, Midcoast Maine's most inclusive running race is now open to registration for teams and individual runners.

Benefitting Independence Association, this professionally-timed running race puts competitive runners and disabled adults and children on the same courses at the same times. The associated Community Festival and Fun Run engage parents, siblings, and friends in fun games, dance, music, and opportunities to learn more about partner organizations.

The first 150 who preregister online will get free t-shirts. Students in Grade Four may run in the onemile event free of charge. Long-time largest team fielder Brunswick Police Department is challenging all to see who can put together the largest team. Register at runinarace.com.

Androscoggin Bank joins other local and regional organizations to support this event, which supports Independence Association's programs for disabled children and adults in Midcoast and Central Maine. Employing more than 200 people in nine Maine counties, Independence Association is a half-century-old nonprofit provider of quality services to adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Midcoast and Central Maine. Its programs include the Spindleworks and SpinOff art studios in Brunswick and Gardiner

What's Going On



Central Maine Healthcare is proud to welcome Lisa A. Rutstein, MD Surgical Oncologist

Renowned surgeon Lisa A. Rutstein, MD, FACS, has joined Central Maine Healthcare to lead its surgical oncology program. Dr. Rutstein is a fellowship-trained oncology surgeon with more than 15 years of experience, whose chief area of interest is in the treatment of stomach, intestinal gallbladder, pancreas and liver cancer, as well as breast and skin malignancy.

Dr. Rutstein believes in a multidisciplinary approach to cancer care and is recognized for her regional treatment programs and palliative care for patients with advanced stages of cancer. She is certified by the Society of Surgical Oncology (SSO) and the American Board of Surgery, and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.





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Watch the Crosstones on Maine Public Television



The episode will be broadcasted locally on Saturday, May 5 at 4:30 p.m.

Contemporary a cappella group the Bates College Crosstones will compete on the season-four premiere of WGBH's televised singing competition "Sing That Thing!," to be broadcasted locally

by Maine Public Television on Saturday, May 5 at 4:30 p.m. The episode will also feature Boston Jazz Voices and Chelmsford High School's The Thursdays. After the performance, coaches Annette Philip, Anthony Trecek-King, and Jared Bowen will offer constructive feedback to each group and decide which will move on to perform in the finale later in the season

Curious Minds series examines "Advanced Care Planning"

The Curious Minds lecture series continues at Auburn Public Library on Tuesday, May 8 at 2 p.m. with a program called "Endings Matter: Advanced Care Planning." Katherine Amsden, an Advanced Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Social Worker and LCSWD, will lead the discussion. Her abbreviated presentation will explain how to ensure the highest quality of life while navigating complex medical decisions as life's end nears. Her goal is to support and encourage participants to reach a more certain determination of their healthcare wishes for

their final years.

Amsden began working at Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice in 2012 as a Palliative Care Social Worker, providing services in both hospital and home settings. She is now the coordinator of the Palliative Care Program and on a mission to expand the reach of palliative care services in the community.

Palliative care, which is specialized medical care designed to provide relief from the symptoms and stress of a serious illness, seeks to improve quality of life for both patient and family. Care is provided by a specially-trained team of doctors, nurses, and other specialists who work together with a patient's other doctors to provide an extra layer of support.

The Curious Minds Lecture series is a partnership between Auburn Public Library and Lewiston-Auburn Senior College that brings speakers on a wide variety of topics to the library. The programs are free and open to the public. More information about L-A Senior College is available at the lectures and at https://usm. maine.edu/seniorcollege.

Garden Brothers Circus brings "The Cirque" to NSB Arena



This all-new show features motorcycle acts, aerialists, acrobats, and a team of the world's funniest clowns.

Stellar Entertainment Group, Inc. and Garden Brothers Circus will present "The Cirque" in two performances only on Thursday, May 10 at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. at Norway Savings Bank Arena in Auburn.

Expect the unexpected in this all-new show that will

thrill and amaze you with motorcycles in the Sphere of Fear, the Triple Wheel of Death, the Human Slingshot, a contortionist, world famous juggler Pierre, beautiful showgirls in the air, daring aerialist from Mongolia, Chinese acrobats, a

motorcycle in the air balanc-



ing on just one man, an incredible-strength-hand-balancing troupe, and a team of the world's funniest clowns. Outrageous lighting, sound, and special effects will keep the whole family on the edge of their seats.

Free children's tickets will be distributed to all elementary schools, preschools, day care centers, churches, and sponsoring businesses in the area. Ticket prices range from \$10 to \$35. The first one hundred adult tickets sold online are only \$12.50. Tickets can be purchased at the box office on the day of the show or online at www.TheCirque.

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Chocolate Church Arts Center presents Harpeth Rising



This classically-trained trio combines the tonal depths of the cello with the shimmering sounds of the violin and the strikingly natural addition of the banjo to create a unique and memorable sound.

The Chocolate Church Arts Center in Bath will present Harpeth Rising on Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. These three classically-trained musicians are unapologetic genre-benders, fusing Folk, Newgrass, Rock, and Classical music into something organically unique.

Combining the tonal depths of the cello with the shimmering sounds of the violin and the strikingly natural addition of the banjo, the trio creates a unique sound that is at once familiar yet impossible to categorize. Hallmarks of their music include expansive three-part harmonies, consummate musicianship, and a deft yet soulful lyrical perspective.

The three musicians each hold classical performance degrees from some of the most venerated music schools in the world: Indiana University, Oberlin, and Eastman School of Music. But their classical background is only one dimension of their powerful musical voice. Hailing from vastly different parts of North America, each member brings different influences to the trio's unique sound.

From Brooklyn, NY, celloist Maria Di Meglio was drawn to the music of her first-generation Italian and Balkan roots and grew up learning Eastern European folk songs alongside the classical repertoire. From Charlottesville, VA, banjo player Michelle Younger comes by her modern spin on this traditional instrument as a descendent of Cole Younger, a member of the James-Younger Gang and the namesake of his very own banjo tune. And born and raised in Canada before moving to Southern Indiana as a child, violinist Jordana Greenberg grew up listening to the sounds of Stan Rogers, Leonard Cohen, and Natalie McMaster. She studied classical violin by day and spent her nights learning the folk tunes and classic rocks songs that her family plays at its annual post-Passover jam session.

Together they have developed their voices and arrangements to bring life to the lyrical expressiveness of their original songs. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. The center is located at 804 Washington Street in Bath. For more information or to buy tickets, call 442-8455 or see www.chocolatechurcharts. org.

United Way hosts annual "Touch-A-Truck" event

United Way of Androscoggin County, in partnership with Advocates for Children, Central Maine Community College, and Clover Pre-School, will present the eighth annual Touch-A-Truck event on Saturday, May 5 at Central Maine Community College, located at 1250 Turner Street in Auburn. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a quiet hour for younger children from 10 to 11 a.m. This year's event will feature eight food trucks, including Alabama's BBQ Catering, Cannoli Joe's, Maine-ly Meatballs, PB&ME, Pinky D's Poutine Truck, Shut Up N' Eat It, the Eighty 8 Donut Café, and Top It Frozen Dessert Bar. The food trucks will have their full menus on offer and will donate a portion of food sales to United Way. Free and open to all, Touch-A-Truck provides an opportunity for children and the young-at-heart to touch, climb on, interact with, and experience dozens of cool vehicles all in one place. Vehicles on display this year will include fire trucks, dump trucks, a backhoe, a boom truck from IRC, and Spectrum Health Care Partners' Scrubby Mobile (an outfitted Zamboni). Maine's Big Z will broadcast live from this year's event and kids' activities will include face painting and a temporary tattoo station. For more information, contact Kim Preble at 795-4000, ext. 202 or see www.unitedwayandro.org.



Twin City Nights

First-Friday Showcase at Fusion Lounge

Comedian Dawn Hartill will host the First-Friday Showcase on Friday, May 4 at 7 p.m. at Ramada Inn's Fusion Lounge at 490 Pleasant Street in Lewiston. Free and open to those ages 21 and older, the show will feature Connor McGrath, Nick Gordon, Jack Slattery, and Leonard Kimble. From Lewiston, Hartill is a mom to three teenage boys and spends her weekends as a radio personality on Maine's Big Z 105.5. In 2016, she won the Strand Cup Comedy Competition. She has also been a quarter-finalist in the Empire Summer Comedy Classic, a semi-finalist in March Comedy Madness in Portland, and a finalist in the Last Comic Laughing Competition. McGrath, who was named Maine's Best Comedian by the Portland Phoenix in 2017, manages the Portland Comedy Co-Op and has opened for national headliners such as Ray Harrington. For more information, call 784-2331.





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Twin City Nights

Saturday night at the Village Coffeehouse



Emilia Dahlin

The Village Coffeehouse of New Gloucester will present Emilia Dahlin on Saturday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. Wielding a voice that defies the size of her body, Dahlin has carved out a name for herself as a unique songstress. She combines strong storytelling sensibilities with raw, rootsy folk

and jazz vocals to create mesmerizing tales of epic proportions. With a historian's imagination and a troubadour's artistry, her original American sound combines elements of vintage jazz, Tom Waitsian waltzes, and low-tide lullabies

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"Midvale High School 50th Reunion" opens Friday



In the Public Theatre's latest production, revisiting the past changes the future when an old classmate turns into a new love. The charming and thought-provoking romantic comedy "The Midvale High School 50th Reunion" opens at the Public Theatre in Lewiston on Friday at 7:30 p.m. Performances will take place May 4-6 and 10-13, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., with an additional matinee on Saturday, May 12 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$20, or just \$5 for those ages 18 and under. Call 782-3200 or see www.thepublictheatre.org.

Free yoga classes at Auburn Public Library

In partnership with Auburn Public Library, the Maine School of Yoga will offer two opportunities to experience an all-levels yoga class this week. Led by the newest teachers from the 2017 Yoga Teacher Training Program, the free classes will take place on Monday, May 7, from 6 to 7:15 p.m.

10 to 11:15 a.m. Founded by Tisha Bremner, the Maine School of Yoga offers yoga teacher trainings in Lewiston starting each September. Bremner's teaching style links skillful actions and movement to breath in a fun, safe, and effective way. She incorporates smart sequenc-

so your body feels balanced, vibrant, and well prepared to open in new ways.

Participants are asked to bring their own yoga mat if they have one and to wear comfortable clothing. The classes will take place in the Androscoggin Community Room. For more information, call the library

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and Tuesday, May 8, from ing into each of her classes, at 333-6640, ext. 4.

Country Fest Maine presents "Country Sunday"

will present a "Country Sunday" concert on May 6 from noon to 4:30 p.m. at the Litchfield Sportsmen's Club. This afternoon of country music, dancing, and food will feature performances

Country Fest Maine by Gary Leet and the Country Drifters, Bob Heller and BJ Cross, Buzz and Kathy Vanadestine, Paul Bright, and others. There will be door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and concessions. Doors will open at 11 a.m.

Admission is \$5 and children under 12 will be admitted for free. The club is located at 2261 Hallowell Road in Litchfield. For more information, call Connie at 536-9647.

Public Supper & Music Jam

The Litchfield Sportsmen's Club will host its monthly Public Supper and Music Jam on Saturday, May 5. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m. and a dinner of baked beans, hot dogs,

casseroles, all the fixin's, and desserts will be served from 5 to 6:00. The music jam will take place after dinner from 6 to 8:00. Admission is \$7 per person. Wheelchair accessible with

plenty of free parking, the club is located at 2261 Hallowell Road in Litchfield. For more information, call Tom at 268-9271 or Mike at 331-4719.

Thursday, May 3 Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. The guest speaker is Celeste Yakawonis, who has been a self-employed real estate paralegal for over 30 years and has owned several small businesses. Free; no reservation required. 713-7045; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Henry L. Cottrell School, 169 Academy Rd., Monmouth. Come learn about Girl Scouts' Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Community Dance. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Martel Elementary School, 880 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Modern square dancing takes places to all kinds of music; beginners are invited to try it tonight with the Twin City Spinners. Free. (207) 841-7959; www. TCS.DanceForFun.ME.

Friday, May 4

Prof. Development Workshop. 12 to 1 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. This session for financial advisors explains why "The Art of WOW" is crucial for retaining affluent clients. \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249; lametrochamber.com.

Buccaneers Banquet. 6 p.m. Franco center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. Passengers are invited to party like pirates at this buccaneer-themed event featuring a multi-course meal, show, and dancing; costumes encouraged, cash bar. Again 5/5. Seating limited. \$40. 783-1585; www.francocenter.org.

Maine Event Comedy. 7 p.m. Baxter Brewing, 130 Mill St., Lewiston. Tonight's performers are Ben Quick, Sarah Blodgett, Rasheed Townes, and Michele Mortensen. Ages 21-plus. Free. 513-0742;

Maineeventcomedy@ gmail.com.

First-Friday Comedy Showcase. 7 p.m. Fusion Lounge, Ramada Inn, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. Dawn Hartill hosts fellow comedians Connor McGrath, Nick Gordon, Jack Slattery, and Leonard Kimble. Ages 21+. Free. 784-2331. Theater: "The Midvale High School 50th Reunion." 7:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. In this charming romantic comedy, revisiting the past changes the future when an old classmate unexpectedly turns into a new love. Again 5/5-6, 10-13 (Suns. at 2 p.m.). \$20/5. 782-3200; www.thepublictheatre.org.

Calendar

See more Calendar at www.TwinCityTimes.com

Inn by the Bay, Portland. National speakers, live music, and a special mass highlight this event. \$60 (incl. meals). Register at 321-7898 or www. portlanddiocese.org.

"Touch-A-Truck" Event. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Central Maine Community College, 1250 Turner St., Auburn. See many different trucks up close while enjoying kids' activities and fare from eight food trucks; quiet from 10 to 11 a.m. Free. 795-4000, ext. 202; www.unitedwayandro.org.

Baked Bean & Casserole Supper. 4:45 to 6 p.m. Parish hall, Holy Trinity Church, 67 Frost Hill Ave., Lisbon Falls. Includes dessert and beverage. Pres. by Knights of Columbus. \$8 adults, \$4 children 11-, \$18 family with children.

Public Supper & Music Jam. Sportsmen's Club, 2261 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Dinner served from 5-6 p.m., music jam from 6-8 p.m.; doors open at 4:30. \$7. 268-9271.

Concert: Emilia Dahlin. 7:30 p.m. Village Coffeehouse, First Congregational Church, 19 Gloucester Hill Rd., New Gloucester. Dahlin performs original songs with a historian's imagination and a troubadour's artistry. Free coffee and tea. \$10. www.villagecoffeehouse. org.

Concert: Harpeth Rising. 2 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. This classically trained trio combines cello, violin, and banjo to create a unique and memorable sound. \$20 (\$25 at door). 442-8455.

Sunday, May 6

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-). Arts Workshop. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Harlow Gallery, 100 Water St., Hallowell. Cynthia Ahlstrin leads "Two Types of Paper," on hand-designed paste paper and layered papermaking. \$90/95 (\$75 kids 12-17). Space limited; register at 622-3813. Induction & Awards Banquet. Noon. Ramada Conference Center, Lewiston. After a social hour and dinner, the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame presents its annual awards. Reservations required. \$35. 783-2249; www.LAMetro-Chamber.com.

men's Club, 2261 Hallowell Rd., Litchfield. Come dance to live country music; door prizes, 50/50 drawing, concessions. Pres. by Country Fest Maine. \$5 (kids ages 12- free). 536-9647.

Monday, May 7 Yoga Class. 6 to 7:15 p.m. Androscoggin Room, Auburn Public Library. The newest teachers from Tisha Bremner's 2017 Yoga Teacher Training Program lead this all-levels class. Again 5/8 (10 to 11:15 a.m.). Free. 333-6640, ext. 4.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Spruce Mountain Elementary School, 12 Tiger Dr., Jay. Come learn about Girl Scouts' Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Stanton Bird Club Meeting. 6:30 p.m. Room 285, L-A College, 55 Westminster St., Lewiston. Laura Sewall, Director of Bates College's Morse Mountain Conservation Area, discusses "The Relationship Between Nature and Humans." Free. www. StantonBirdClub.org.

Tuesday, May 8

Curious Minds Lecture. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. Katherine Amsden of Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice presents "Endings Matter: Advanced Care Planning." Pres. w. L-A Senior College. Free. 333-6640, ext. 4

Gardening Workshop. 5 to 6:30 p.m. St. Mary's Nutrition Center garden, behind their building at 208 Bates St., Lewiston. Learn about and get to try "Lasagna Gardening." Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Spruce Mountain Primary School, 107 Gibbs Mill Rd., Livermore. Come learn about Girl Scouts' Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first

advance to the state finals. Free. Register to attend at www.LAMetroChamber. com.

Spring Dinner. 6 p.m. The Green Ladle, 156 East Ave., Lewiston. The Ladies of St. Anne Sodality of Prince of Peace Parish present a ham dinner and entertainment by vocalist Larry Gowell; door prizes, 50/50 drawing. \$18. Tix avail. until 5/4 by calling 782-4516.

Lisbon Historical Society Meeting. 7 p.m. MTM Center, 19 School St., Lisbon Falls (park and enter at rear). Civil War historian Dr. Charles Plummer discusses "The History and Ritual of the Grand Army of the Republic." Free. 353-8510; LisbonHistSoc@gmail.

com Thursday, May 10

Chamber of Commerce Breakfast Meeting. 7 a.m. Kora Shrine Center, 11 Sabattus St., Lewiston. Mark E. Hews, MPA, president of M.E. Hews and Co., LLC discusses "Promoting Civility and Respect - Pledge, Engage, Organize." \$20 (non-members \$30). Register at www.LAMetroChamber. com

Jewelry & Accessories Sale. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mezzanine level, main entrance, CMMC, 60 High St., Lewiston. This Woman's Hospital Assoc. event supports scholarships to the Maine College of Health Professions. Again 5/11 (8-3:00)

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. BookReach coordinator Trisha Scribellito describes how this non-profit early literacy program supported by the Lewiston and Auburn Public Libraries serves area daycares. Free; no reservation required. 713-7045; monica.millhime@ maine.gov.

The Cirque. 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. Norway Savings Bank Arena, Auburn. Garden Brothers Circus presents this all-new show featuring acts to thrill and amaze all ages. Tix \$10-35. www.TheCirque.com.

ABA Annual Ban quet. 5:30 to 9 p.m. Martindale Country Club, Auburn. The Auburn Business Association names its Citizen of the Year at this event; tickets incl. dinner and program. \$40. www. Auburnba.com. Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Minot Consolidated School, 23 Shaw Hill Rd., Minot. Come learn about Girl Scouts' Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org. Open House. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Martel Elementary School, 880 Lisbon

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St., Lewiston. The Twin City Spinners invite those interested in modern square dancing to drop in tonight to learn more; a ten-week class for beginners (\$45) starts next week. Free. (207) 841-7959; www.TCS.DanceForFun. ME.

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Theater: "The Midvale High School 50th Reunion." 7:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. In this charming romantic comedy, revisiting the past changes the future when an old classmate unexpectedly turns into a new love. Again 5/11-13 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$20/5. 782-3200; www.thepublictheatre.org.

Friday, May 11

Senior College Luncheon. Noon. Room 170, Lewiston-Auburn College. Today's guest speaker is Androscoggin Land Trust director Shelley Kruszewski. \$8 for lunch; reserve lunch by noon on May 9 by calling 753-6510.

"From Magpie River to Ossokmanuan Reserv voir." 2 and 7 p.m. Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Rd., Greene. Freelance writer and adventurer Bob Kimber chronicles the joys and rigors of a twenty-one-portage canoe odyssey. Free. 946-5311; sawyer-foundation.com. Saturday, May 12

Mother's Day Bake Sale and Bottle Drive. 9

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Gardening Workshop. 5 to 6:30 p.m. St. Mary's Nutrition Center garden, behind their building at 208 Bates St., Lewiston. Learn about and get to try "Building a Cinder Block Raised Bed." Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

Wednesday, May 16

Oasis of Music. 12:30 to 1 p.m. Trinity Church, 247 Bates St., Lewiston. The string trio of Lorel Nazzaro, Mark Nordberg, and Barbara Oliver perform early Baroque music. Free. 344-3106.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Readfield Elementary School, 84 So. Rd., Readfield. Come learn about Girl Scouts' Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org.

Saturday, May 19 Maine Innovation

Expo. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Museum L-A, 35 Canal St., Bates Mill Complex, Lewiston. Features interactive exhibits of innovative products and processes created by area businesses and students. Free - reserve ticket at www.museumla. org

Community BBQ. 4 to 6 p.m. Paris Fire Department, Western Ave., So. Paris. Hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, drinks, and watermelon. \$5 (kids age 2 and under free). Benefits Paris Fire Prevention

Saturday, May 5 Maine Catholic Women's Conference. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Holiday

Country Sunday. Noon to 4:30 p.m. Sportsgrade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsofmaine.org. Wednesday, May 9

Oasis of Music. 12:30 to 1 p.m. Trinity Church, 247 Bates St., Lewiston. The Lewiston Middle School String Orchestra performs a varied program including Bach, early American music, Somali and English folk, and fiddle tunes. Free. 344-3106.

Top Gun Regional Pitch-Off. 5 p.m. Ramada Conference Center, 490 Pleasant St., Lewiston. Four teams of entrepreneurs present five-minute pitches on their business ideas to a panel of judges for a chance to

Again 5/13. normblais39@ yahoo.com.

Community Work Day. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, 707 Shaker Rd., New Gloucester. Walk in the footsteps of generations before while helping the Shakers with spring cleaning and other chores; potluck dinner follows. Register at 926-4597, info@maineshakers.com.

Concert: Midcoast Symphony Orchestra. 7 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. This "Old Favorites with a Twist" program features piano soloist Lise de la Salle. Students free; others Program.

Sunday, May 20

Andro. Bank Run for Independence. 8:15 a.m. Brunswick Junior High School, 65 Columbia St., Brunswick. This timed 1k, 5k, and one-mile race puts competitive runners and disabled adults and children on the same courses at the same times. Register at runinarace.com.

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