

At the 2018 Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame induction ceremony



William Hood, Jr., Raymond DeBlois, Pete Couture, and Carolyn Court hold the plaque honoring their career achievements before their induction into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame at a banquet and ceremony held at the Ramada Inn recently. Student athletes and coaches from the Auburn and Lewiston area were also honored. (Photo by PortraitEFX)



Mary Kendall Brown and John Kendall check out past plaques of inductees at the 2018 induction ceremony. Their mother, Mary B. Kendall, was honored posthumously with the Hall of Fame Pioneer Award for her accomplishments as a high school and college athlete, and then as a coach. Kendall was a founding member of the Lost Valley Ski School, an avid dancer, an equestrian, and won multiple Maine and New England championship titles in women's tennis. (Photo by PortraitEFX)

"Pin-Ups on Tour" returns to Alden M. Gayton Post #31



Get dolled up and join the troupe for a Vintage Burlesque & Variety Show to support hospitalized veterans.

The national touring production "Pin-Ups on Tour" will return to Alden M. Gayton American Legion Post #31 of Auburn on Saturday, May 19 at 8 p.m. Get dolled up and join this troupe for a Vintage Burlesque & Variety Show to support hospitalized veterans. The group works to recreate the fun of vaudeville theaters that were so popular across WWII-era America. The evening will feature dancing showgirls, comedy, variety, soulful lounge singers, vintage tray girls, and more.

The show is open to

those ages 18 and older. General admission tickets are \$20 online and \$25 at the door. Veterans and active duty service members will be admitted free of charge as long as tickets remain. Vintage attire is encouraged. Doors will open at 7 p.m.

Since the group first started entertaining veterans in 2015, Pin-Ups on Tour has performed in 45 states, donated over 3,500 tickets to our military heroes, and entertained nearly 3,000 active duty and veteran service members in our nation's VA hospitals. The group has

also donated over \$50,000 in free veterans tickets and monetary donations to the non-profit organizations AmVets, Heels for Combat Boots, Recon Sniper Foundation, Pin-Ups for Vets, and numerous American Legion and VFW Posts.

American Legion Post #31 is located at 426 Washington Street North in Auburn. Tickets may be purchased by calling Julie at 784-3473, Judy at 212-2480, Peter at 777-1884, or the post at 783-6992, or online at www.pinupsonstour.com.

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CCU and partners collect thousands of pounds for recycling at community event



Volunteers from Community Credit Union who unloaded vehicles at Recycle Day 2018 included (from l.) Tiffany Mathon, Jessica Blackwell, Julia Copp, Jen Hogan, Natalie Michaud, Ashley Ward and Matthew Shaw.

Community Credit Union recently partnered with e-Waste Recycling Solutions, Records Management's Shredding On Site, the ShareCenter, and Stratham Tire to host a Community Recycle Day. As a result, thousands of pounds of no-longer-used products were diverted from landfills, with some to be repurposed. Collected at the event were 10,808 pounds of electron-

ics, 140 tires, 1,945 pounds of paper for shredding, and a truckload of items that the ShareCenter will redistribute in the community. "The weather was chilly, but this community is dedicated to recycling, and so are our volunteers," said Recycle Day Coordinator Natalie Michaud. "We saw many familiar faces, along some new ones joining us for this year's event."

Each quarter, Community Credit Union runs a program called "Do Your Part" that encourages members to help save the Earth by participating in different recycling opportunities, including the recycling of cell phones and eye glasses. They also periodically hold shredding events within the branches. For more information, see www.communitycreditunion.com.

Theater at Monmouth dedicates 2018 season to Nancy Bates Ludewig

This summer, Theater at Monmouth will celebrate the wily, wicked, and wonderful women who constitute classic literature's most fantastic females. In this spirit, TAM will dedicate its 2018 performance season, themed "Roar: The Year of the Woman," to Nancy Bates Ludewig.

For residents of Monmouth, this is exactly what "Nance" represented - a force of nature, an iron will, and a tremendous heart. If there was a local need, she would fill it. From fundraising events for the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fuel Fund to the Monmouth Healthy Meals Backpack Program, Mayfair, Garden Club, and annual Christmas Shows at Cumston Hall, Ludewig brought people together.

"Nancy demonstrated her love for her family, friends, and community by giving of her time, knowledge, and own belongings," said David Libby of Monmouth Museum. "Very few people throughout the history of this town have contributed more than she has."

Nancy Ludewig re-

fused to let Cumston Hall become a stodgy edifice in the center of town; she saw it as a centerpiece, a gathering place, and a thread to the town's rich history, something that came to life when filled with community members. She started a children's drama program to give students the opportunity to create characters, express themselves artistically, and share their voices. For many years, she and her husband greeted Theater at Monmouth audiences from near and far, welcoming them not only to the building but to the community and its way of life.

"Nancy would be greatly honored to have such a dedication," said Doug Ludewig, her husband of 55 years. "For some reason, she never thought about being recognized for all she did. She just did it, and never expected that what she did would be remembered as being anything exceptional."

"We discussed a number of ways to honor Nancy Ludewig's contribution, not only to the Monmouth community, but also to Cumston Hall and Theater

at Monmouth," said Producing Artistic Director Dawn McAndrews. "We wanted a gesture that reflected Nancy's spirit of giving and her life-long commitment to this town."

For 2018, Theater at Monmouth's "Monmouth Nights" program will be renamed "Nancy Ludewig Memorial Monmouth Nights" and will expand opportunities for year-round Monmouth residents to attend productions for only \$10. This season, the program will be in effect, not just on the first Thursday of each production as the program currently exists, but also for any Thursday or Saturday evening performance throughout the summer. Through the program, year-round residents may purchase one \$10 ticket per production; guests "from away" and summer residents will pay full price.

The Theater's Board of Directors felt that dedicating the season to Nancy and inviting the community to gather together in celebration seemed a fitting tribute to a life lived in service to others.

Lewiston financial planner named to Forbes' Best-in-State list

Financial planner Gary L. Bragg, owner and president of Bragg Financial Services in Lewiston, has been named to Forbes' Best-

in-State Wealth Advisors list for 2018. Bragg was the only advisor north of Portland to be recognized in the top ten for the State

of Maine. In total, 2,213 advisors (or 10.5 percent of the pool) were recognized from the 21,000 candidates evaluated.

Forbes published the complete list on its website and a condensed version in the February issue of

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Moody's Blues

By Andy Torbett

Once again, the media and the political establishment have anointed who they think should be the candidates and explained to the voters why we should just accept their established infallibility and embrace the inevitable by voting the way they indicate. So again, it's the same old, same old: two

candidates who "the powers that be" have foisted upon us, which we are expected to accept without question.

But I think not! For the Republicans' establishment pick, Shawn Moody, it's too many questions about too much duplicity and not enough answers to assuage the doubts that surround him. The Republican Party does not do voters justice by anointing a candidate simply because the LePage political machine demands that they do so.

Moody's campaign from the onset has been based upon fallacy. It continues to brazenly spout these assertions, and no one seems willing to challenge them. Let's start now.

The Outsider: This claim seems more the stuff of late-night comic relief

than a viable campaign strategy. Yes, the terminology is in vogue of late, but it's hard to substantiate when you're shouting it from inside the bowels of the LePage political power structure. Yes, that shuffle heard 'round the State was the movement of all the governor's soldiers relocating their camp to under the Moody flag.

Not a politician: Again, do they speak in jest? How does a man run an Independent race for Governor, become a political appointee, surround himself with all the Governor's horses and all the Governor's Ladies and Gents, and not be a politician? The Moody campaign seems to enjoy playing fast and loose with facts.

The only one who has worked in the private sector: Now we are approaching sit-com level humor. Every one of Moody's opponents has worked in or run a private sector business. I find it unsettling that a man who wants to be Governor has such a narrow view of what a valid profession in the private sector is.

Mike Thibodeau, who has left the race, ran a very successful construction business and still owns a private sector business that manufactures snow shovels. Ken Fredette has a successful law office. Garrett

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Governor's Address: Speaker Gideon Kills Good Legislation That Would Benefit the Maine People

The Maine people elect legislators to represent them in Augusta. They expect these elected officials to enact good public policy that benefits all Mainers. But some legislators put politics over people. Unfortunately, too many legislators are more interested in playing political games than doing the work of the Maine people. The worst offender is Speaker of the House Sara Gideon.

I am a tough negotiator, but I am willing to negotiate. I am willing to have a conversation, and sometimes these might be difficult. They should be difficult, because as leaders, we must make tough choices.

But rather than sit down at a table with me and have honest conversations and negotiate, Speaker Gideon holds press conferences complaining about Republicans. She's even accused us of being terrorists. Rather than negotiate and do the work of the people, she killed Republican's bills—bills that were good policy—for no reason. She hoped to extend the legislative session to ram through bad bills at the last minute.

Republicans put in bills to provide funding for workers for the elderly and



Governor Paul R. LePage disabled, opioid treatment, county jails, people on wait lists and nursing homes. Speaker Gideon killed them all. She wouldn't address tax conformity, which would give tax relief to

hard-working Mainers and small businesses.

She even tabled a bill that would help the elderly stay in their homes—or at least keep their equity if they were facing tax-lien foreclosures. Speaker Gideon would rather throw the elderly on the street than give a Republican-backed bill a win.

Speaker Gideon then tried to extend the session, but not by negotiating. An email from an advocate for addiction and mental health services revealed the Speaker's strategy: she met with advocates and lobbyists and urged them not to work with Republicans. The email stated: If the advocates can convince the Republicans to extend the session, Gideon promised to help pass key bills sponsored by the advocates.

This is not good governance. It is partisan politics at its worst. It does not help Maine people. Gideon does not work across the aisle or reach out to the Governor's Office. Instead, she held a press conference on Wednesday to reveal her proposal to extend the legislative session. Negotiating through sound bites and photo ops, rather than working with her colleagues in the State House, is not working. This is a massive

failure of leadership.

Gideon's failure to lead resulted in a state shut down last summer, and it has led to a stalemate this session. Now hundreds of bills are left to die—bills the legislature had been avoiding for months.

The Speaker is concerned about saving face and playing politics. She is not doing the right thing for the people of the State of Maine.

Remember that in November.

Thank you.
Paul LePage
Governor

Group announces plans for Gold Star Families Memorial Monument in Lewiston



With a vision of establishing Gold Star Family Memorial Monuments across America, Medal of Honor Recipient Hershel "Woody" Williams created the memorial to honor families who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

The Maine Fallen Heroes Foundation, in partnership with the Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation, has announced plans for a new Gold Star Families Memorial Monument to be located in Veterans Park in Lewiston. A local committee, co-chaired by Dean Barron and John Mixon, is working to raise the remaining \$25,000 needed to fund the project. The anticipated date of completion is October 7, 2018.

"We as a country owe a debt of gratitude to those who served and sacrificed their lives so we may live in freedom," said Gold Star father Dean Barron. "We should not forget what they stood for. Sacrifice is meaningless without remembrance. By preserving the memory of the sacrifice, we honor them. The Gold Star Families Memorial will serve as a reminder of the

loss our Gold Star Families live with on a daily basis."

The L-A Veterans Council has agreed to set aside land in Veterans Memorial Park adjacent to the Governor James B. Longley Bridge and to install infrastructure needed for the project. Once the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument is dedicated, the Maine Fallen Heroes Foundation will turn over ownership of the memorial to the City of Lewiston so it can maintain the memorial and its landscaping.

The Gold Star Families Memorial is a black granite monument featuring the words: "Gold Star Families Memorial Monument: A tribute to Gold Star Mothers, Fathers, and Families who have sacrificed a Loved One for our Freedom." At the center of the monument is its most distinctive feature, a saluting silhouette representing the Loved One who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the name of Freedom.

The Gold Star Family

Memorial Monument was created by Medal of Honor Recipient Hershel "Woody" Williams to remember those families who have made the ultimate sacrifice. To aid the Maine Fallen Heroes Foundation with this project by contributing your 100% tax-deductible donation, visit <http://hwwwmohf.org/auburn-me.html>.

Formed in 2010, the Hershel "Woody" Williams Medal of Honor Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that pursues its namesake's vision of establishing Gold Star Families Memorial Monuments throughout America to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the Armed Forces and the families who endured their loss. In addition to the monument initiative, the foundation also provides scholarships

to Gold Star Children and sponsors and hosts outreach programs and events aimed at honoring, recognizing, and serving our nation's Gold Star Families.

The Maine Fallen Heroes Foundation is the only IRS-registered 501(c)(3) non-profit in the State of Maine that financially supports the families of our fallen heroes. They work to support Maine's 30,000+

family members who have lost a loved one in combat or due to accident or illness during active duty or reserve military service since WWII. They have also recently expanded their cause to include the families of Maine's Fallen First Responders. They seek to help those in need of things that government benefits don't cover and to provide college scholarship funds.

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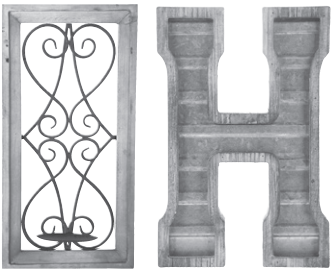
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Mason worked in the family construction business as a boy and then worked as an administrator for a professional sports team. Mary Mayhew has also worked in administration.

If only Shawn Moody had been given a few more opponents, he could have disparaged the entirety of the private sector profession save for auto-body technicians. Poorly thought out and thin on facts, Moody's campaign song, constantly chirped and parroted, may in the end have him singing the Blues. With such a questionable foundation for a campaign, one has to wonder about the validity of the platform.

Conservatism? Really? This is hard to swallow when the man spent an entire election railing against the tenets of conservatism. Seven years as a political appointee in the LePage administration and he never spoke out once about his embrace of conservative principles until right before announcing his conversion to a Republican and run for Governor? The people are right to question the convenience of Moody's "Road to Damascus" moment on the eve of his new "NotapoliticianOutsider" campaign.

Traditional Family Values: This is to be expected. Every Republican candidate has a "Come to Jesus" moment in spring or early summer, when they realize that they have to get elected. The question is, Who has a consistent record on those issues? Moody is murky at best and needs to speak with clarity on this and other issues.

For instance, Ranked Choice Voting. Rumor has it that Shawn Moody has been in support of RCV until recently, when political expediency dictated he switch. What is Shawn Moody's stance on this issue? He needs to clarify.

And what of Medicaid expansion? Again, rumor has it that Mr. Moody has been in favor of expansion, while his new-found Republican colleagues have been staunchly fighting the growth of this bureaucracy. Mr. Moody needs to set the record straight on these issues.

Shawn Moody has difficulty being a straight shooter when he has to keep dodging his political past. If Mr. Moody gets the Blues, it's because he plays a song that has no soul. His rhythm strikes a chord of deceit, and we've all heard this song before.

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Nine years on, Turner Gazebo has become a popular community center



The 2018 “Music for Mavis” summer concert series at the Turner Gazebo kicks off on Tuesday, May 22 at 6:30 p.m. with a concert by folk musician Tom Stevens. There is no admission charge, but a suggested \$5 “pass the hat” donation helps support the performers.

Music melodies and song lyrics often rouse our senses as we reminisce of days gone by or days more recent. How those melodies stir our emotions! It has been stated: “Sometimes it’s not the song that makes you emotional, it’s the people and things that come to mind when you hear it.”

So it was with Mavis Varney, inspiration for the Turner Gazebo construction project and for whom its annual summer concert series, “Music for Mavis,” is named.

Mavis sang harmony, played alto saxophone in the school band, told jokes, and always loved to have a good time with friends and community. She and her husband, Paul, actively participated in many community projects, including helping to save the Leavitt Institute Building, supporting the creation of the Androscoggin River Park, and building community baseball fields. She was also a committed participant in church activities and supporter of Paul’s baseball team.

Mavis loved music and often attended concerts at the gazebo in Livermore Falls. She wanted Turner to have its own musical center, as it once had “in the old days.” While driving by the village green in Turner Center, she realized that it would be a perfect place to build a gazebo, right in front of the Leavitt Institute Building. She envisioned the structure as a community space to enjoy music, plays, and dancing with her neighbors.

Mavis passed away in August of 2018. Contributions donated in her

memory by friends and the Turner Snowmobile Club inspired the creation of the “Music For Mavis” Gazebo Building Committee. The project took a year to percolate, but in the fall of 2009, serious action began. The committee was led by Mavis’ daughter, Paula Anderson, and included a diverse group of talented community members. Thanks to the dedicated work of the committee and numerous other volunteers, including designer Dave Rogers, project manager Kurt Youland, and local contractors who donated their work, the dream became a reality when the project was completed in time for the town’s Fourth of July celebration in 2010. In the project’s spirit of inclusiveness, the gazebo is built at ground level for easy access by seniors and those using wheelchairs.

With the ninth season of the Gazebo’s “Music for Mavis” summer concert series just around the corner, it’s important to reflect on how Mavis’ dream has become a reality. Surrounded by Turner’s historic buildings, the gazebo is now a centerpiece for community and school events throughout the year, including the town’s Fourth of July Festival concert and the annual Lighting of the Tree ceremony during the Christmas season. The enthusiastic participation of community members in these events brings to life the vision Mavis had for the gazebo.

Providing community entertainment requires a budget. One of the ways the gazebo board covers expenses is to “pass the hat” for donations mid-

way through each summer concert. While a minimum gratuity is suggested, many people generously give more. These donations from program attendees, with additional support from local businesses and community members, enable the program to continue to provide music for the community.

While providing summer concerts is the major focus of the gazebo board, they must also manage the need for continued maintenance of the gazebo. The board is currently working on upgrading the lighting within the gazebo, along with cleaning, painting, and other minor repairs. These maintenance costs exceed what summertime receipts bring in. As you look forward to this summer’s concert series, please consider supporting the Music for Mavis program and gazebo maintenance. Any help, in the form of monetary donations, labor, or material, would be welcome and appreciated. See you at the Gazebo!



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What's Going On

Skyline Farm hosts annual Plow Day on May 12



Ben Lapointe and his team of minis give a ride on Plow Day 2017. (Photo by Pamela Ames)

Skyline Farm at 95 The Lane in North Yarmouth will host its 10th annual Plow Day on Saturday, May 12, from 12 to 3 p.m. This free public event features horse-drawn plowing, blacksmithing, carpentry, and 4-H dairy goat demonstrations, along with wagon rides for the kids (on a donation basis), photos with Keaton the Clydesdale, a seed potting station, a mo-

bile mini-store of Breyer model horses, and a dog tricks show at 2 p.m. Sales of refreshments will benefit this nonprofit farm and carriage museum. The new carriage museum exhibit, "Child-Sized Vehicles: From the Sublime to the Ridiculous," contrasts horse-sized vehicles with their smaller counterparts built for cob, pony, and miniature horses. The exhibit is

also open for public viewing on Sundays, May 13 through June 17, from 1 to 4 p.m. or by appointment. No dogs, please. There is no rain date. Field parking is available beyond the outdoor arena and along one side of The Lane. For more information, contact Pamela Ames at 829-5708 or info@skylinefarm.org.

Historical Society to examine history and future of Maine paper industry at Annual Meeting

Mike Luciano will discuss the past and future of Maine's paper industry at the Annual Meeting of the Androscoggin Historical Society, which will take place on Tuesday, May 22 at Marco's Restaurant at 12 Mollison Way in Lewiston. The business meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by a social hour and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. They must be reserved by Friday, May 18, by calling 784-0586. Maine's paper industry has long been an important source of jobs and a foundation of the economy in the Androscoggin River Valley and across the state. But while it has a rich history

in many local and regional communities, its role in Maine's future remains uncertain. As a resident of Jay, Mike Luciano's life and the lives of his family members have been intimately connected to the paper industry for over forty years. A retired human resources executive who has worked locally and on projects of international scope, he is well-qualified to provide a broad overview of the industry over time and from an international perspective. Actively involved in his community, Luciano has served on boards and committees of Kennebec Valley Community College and UMO, and as chair of Franklin Memorial Hospital, the

Franklin Community Health Network, the Greater Franklin Development Council, and the HR Committee of the Maine Pulp and Paper Association. He currently serves on the boards of Franklin Savings Bank, Pierce House, and the North Star Ambulance Advisory Committee. In recent years, he has become an amateur stand-up comedian, performing as "Father Guido of Chisholmore Falls." Luciano also volunteers at the Paper and Heritage Museum, located in Livermore Falls. He will be accompanied by Sherry Judd, secretary of the board and past president of the museum, who will speak briefly about its work.

Chamber series presents "The Internet of Things"

The next program in the LA Metro Chamber of Commerce's Professional Development Series will be "The Internet of Things (IoT)," presented by Kimberly Darling and Alexandra Davidson of U.S. Cellular on Thursday, May 17, from 12 to 1 p.m. Technology is evolving

like never before, and the Internet of Things is changing the way we do business. From fleet and asset monitoring to mobile apps that monitor and control, IoT is helping us create new markets and opportunities by achieving efficiency and harnessing productivity. The workshop will

take place in the chamber's conference room at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. The registration fee for this Professional Development workshop is \$25 for chamber members and \$50 for non-members. For more information or to register, call 783-2249 or visit lametrochamber.com.

Chamber presents Power Lunch seminar on "Clean Energy"

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will host a Power Lunch seminar called "Clean Energy" on Tuesday, May 15, from 12 to 1 p.m. in the chamber's conference room at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. If you are interested in starting your

clean energy transition, join Commercial and Institutional Solar Consultant Nick Sampson of ReVision Energy to learn how to power your house or business with clean energy. The newly installed solar array at Geiger will be used as a case study

to break down the process so that you, too, can make this transition. The event is free, but advance registration is required. Lunch will not be provided. For more information, call 783-2249. To register, see www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Kora Shriners offer screenings for free medical care at their children's hospitals

On Saturday, May 12, the Kora Shriners will offer free screening clinics to help local children determine if they are eligible for care at Shriners Hospitals for Children, where all medical care is provided regardless of the family's ability to pay, availability of insurance coverage, or relationship to a Shriner. Children to age 18

with orthopaedic conditions, burn injuries, spinal cord injuries, or cleft lips and/or palates are invited to attend. No appointment is necessary. The screenings will take place from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Central Maine Medical Center's Family Medicine Residency at 76 High Street in Lewiston, and also at Midcoast Rehabilitation Center at 329 Bath Road

in Brunswick. For more information, contact Tim Luttrell at 754-4706 or the Kora Shriners at 782-6831. Shriner Hospitals for Children is a network of 22 hospitals dedicated to providing specialized pediatric care, innovative research, and outstanding teaching programs. For more information, see www.shriners-hospitalsforchildren.org.

Auburn streamlines business license renewal process

Local businesses spoke, and the City of Auburn listened. In an effort to help reduce delays that could impact local businesses, the city plans to streamline its business license renewal process. "Recently, some business owners have expressed frustration regarding delays with the renewal of their business licenses," said City Manager Peter Crichton. "Our goal is to make Auburn as business-friendly as possible, so our team has put new procedures in place that will make the whole process smoother and more efficient." Effective immediately, upon receipt of a renewal application, city staff will

process the application and notify the business owner within seven business days if their license renewal has been approved or denied. If a license is denied, the reasons will be stated in writing. If more time is needed to determine whether the renewal will be approved, a written notification will explain why more time is needed. To meet the established timeline, city staffers will meet weekly to review pending applications. The business license approval process includes the City Clerk's Office as well as the Finance, Economic and Community Development Department, Fire Department, and Police Department.

"It's important for our city to support and encourage an environment where local businesses can thrive," said Crichton. "Our team makes it a priority to be responsive to the needs of our business community and help them succeed. We believe that a flourishing business sector is one of the keys to becoming one of the best small cities in America." Implementation of this standard operating procedure will ensure that the city is consistent with its business licensing ordinance, which states: "The officials...shall approve or disapprove the application without delay...stating the reasons for any disapproval." [Sec. 14-34 (h)]



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Pack the Bus donation drive seeks childcare items for Mother's Day

Volunteers from St. Mary's Food Pantry will be at Shaw's in Lewiston and Auburn to collect donations of items most needed by moms and others who care for children at a Pack the Bus event on Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

In honor of Mother's Day, they hope to fill an entire school bus at each location with diapers, formula, wipes, and other items not typically donated to food pantries but needed by families with young children who struggle to make ends meet. Residents can stop in at Shaw's on East Avenue in Lewiston or Center Street in Auburn to make donations. Held twice a year, Pack the Bus events provide critical community support for pantry services.

St. Mary's Food Pantry continues to see a marked

increase in need. It provides food for over 5000 guests each month. Last year, the pantry distributed 21,481 boxes of healthy, nutritious foods - enough to provide two-day emergency relief for 60,817 people - which was an increase of nearly 100% over the previous year.

The pantry also provides numerous volunteer opportunities for community members. Over 250 people contributed over 5,500 volunteer hours to the pantry in 2017, making nearly 831,000 pounds of food - including 446,000 pounds of fresh produce - accessible to the community. In addition to food, pantry guests often request necessities for babies, such as formula, diapers, wipes, and healthy, shelf-stable snacks.

Shaw's Supermarkets

and Hudson Bus Lines have long been supporters of this event. In addition to members of the Food Pantry Advisory Committee and other volunteers, Lewiston High School's JROTC Cadets and local Brownies will help staff the event at each Shaw's location. Wolfpack Fitness members will help unload the donations at the end of the day.

The goal of St. Mary's Nutrition Center, located in downtown Lewiston, is to promote community health through its food pantry, other food access initiatives, and programs in cooking and nutrition education, youth development, and urban gardening. More information can be found at www.stmarysnutrition-center.org.

Launching a New Effort to Fight the Opioid Epidemic

By Senator Susan M. Collins

Last year in Maine, 418 people died from overdoses - a record number and an 11 percent increase compared to the year before. Just this month, there were nine overdoses in one night, largely from fentanyl-laced heroin. Fortunately, first responders were able to save those individuals.

The astonishing rate of overdoses has increased rapidly in recent years and has shown no signs of abating. Last year, overdoses claimed the life of more than one Mainer per day, making this one of the top causes of death in the state. In 2016, there were more than 63,600 drug overdose deaths nationally.

Combating this epidemic that is ravaging communities and devastating families across the country requires a multi-pronged approach. That is why I have introduced three bipartisan bills to help ensure that unused prescription drugs do not fall into the wrong hands, bolster recovery resources for those suffering from addiction, and provide grants to community organizations responding to opioid addiction.

The first bill is the Safe Disposal of Unused Medication Act to address the problem of unused prescription drugs when a patient is receiving hospice care at home. Currently, hospice staff are not allowed to dispose of unused medications, even after a patient has died. As a result, dangerous medications with a high risk of diversion, theft, and abuse are frequently left in the deceased person's home. This opens the door to theft and abuse of prescription medication. I have

heard stories about criminals who scan the obituary pages to figure out when the family will be away at a funeral just so they can target that time to break into the family's home to steal these dangerous drugs.

This legislation would allow certain hospice staff and emergency medical services personnel, such as paramedics, to dispose of these medications once the patient dies, and to dispose of any other expired drugs in the home. Registered nurses and physicians involved in hospice care can help families dealing with difficult end-of-life issues to make their homes safe from dangerous, leftover medications. The disposal of unused prescription drugs is key to making sure they do not fall into the wrong hands, and this bill would help to solve that problem.

One way that families dealing with addiction are finding support is through peer-to-peer recovery groups. The second bipartisan bill I have introduced is the Opioid Peer Support Networks Act. This bill would support the creation of peer support networks, also known as communities in recovery, and provide them with the resources and training they need to be successful. In peer support networks, individuals and families battling addiction help one another stay on the road to recovery, assisting with employment, education, housing, health, and overall wellbeing.

Last year, I visited the Bangor Area Recovery Network, or BARN, in Brewer, which is a volunteer-led organization that provides support to indi-

viduals recovering from addiction. BARN is a model for peer-led counseling and brings hope, recovery, and healing to those struggling with substance abuse. Individuals who are themselves in recovery can make that critical connection to others facing addiction, which, in turn, can make the recovery process sustainable for the long-term and reduce the stigma of addiction and treatment.

Finally, the Community Action Opioid Response Act I have introduced would provide competitive grants to help Community Action Agencies and Community Action Partnerships (CAPs) build their efforts to respond to opioid misuse and addiction problems experienced by low-income individuals. This bill would support a wide range of activities, such as treatment and recovery referral, direct services for children and their caregivers, including grandparents, and two-generation anti-poverty models that respond to the needs of parents and children together.

The CAPs are uniquely positioned to help take on the opioid crisis. They can leverage their existing programs, community relationships, and existing infrastructures to respond to the unmet needs resulting from the opioid crisis, but they need more help to do so.

CAPs in Maine have told me about how the opioid crisis has affected their programs, and how they are thinking innovatively to improve the services they provide. The Waldo County CAP in Belfast uses its transportation services to bring 175 people a week to drug treatment programs.

What's Going On

Skelton Taintor & Abbott attorney to discuss "Branding and Trademarking"

The Oxford Hills SCORE and Chamber of Commerce will host their next monthly small business forum on Wednesday, May 16, from 7:45 to 9 a.m., when attorney Jordan Payne Hay of Lewiston's Skelton Taintor & Abbott will discuss "Branding and Trademarking: Legal Considerations." The event will take place at the Town Office at 19 Danforth Street in Norway.

Branding can be crucial to a business's identity, and participants will learn about important legal factors that go into protecting that identity. The program will address issues surrounding intellectual property and will outline the differences between copyright, trademark, service mark, patents, and trade dress. Hay will discuss reasons to get a trademark, where and how to register, and pitfalls of not registering. She will also explore whether a business should register at the state or fed-



Jordan Payne Hay

eral level.

Hay's practice areas include employment law, civil rights, human rights support, intellectual property and litigation, and disputes and appeals. She is licensed to practice in both

Maine and Massachusetts.

The event is free, and coffee will be provided. For more information or to register, call Eli Goodwin at 743-0499 or see www.oxfordhillsmaine.com.

The Penquis CAP in Bangor has found that some clients don't access treatment because they can't find transportation for their children to safe child care settings. In York County, the CAP has partnered with the Sanford Police Department to deliver access to medication-assisted treatment for clients struggling with opioid addiction. This bill would give these agencies additional resources to develop the services that make it possible for treatment to succeed and for the recovery to take hold.

It is clear that we need to take an all-of-the-above approach to tackling this crisis. This includes support for education and prevention, treatment, and law enforcement. No single focus will be enough on its own. The three bipartisan bills I have introduced provide additional ways to respond to this growing problem and bring help to families and communities in Maine.

Spectrum Healthcare offers free program on hand pain

Hand and upper extremity specialists from two Spectrum Healthcare Partners practices will present a program on Carpal Tunnel Syndrome and other common causes of hand pain on Tuesday, May 15, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Central Maine Orthopaedics, located at 690 Minot Avenue in Auburn.

Surgeons Lauren Adey, MD and Matthew Bush, MD of Central Maine Orthopaedics and Kathryn Hanna, MD of OA Centers for Orthopaedics will cover common symptoms of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome, as well as causes, conservative treatments, and how to know when it's time to call your physician. The presenters will also discuss other common causes of hand and

wrist pain and will answer questions.

Adey, Bush and Hanna are board-certified, fellowship trained orthopaedic surgeons who perform procedures at Spectrum Healthcare's outpatient surgery centers and local hospital partner sites. Like all members of Spectrum's orthopaedic team, they use leading edge technologies and practices to provide their patients with exceptional care.

While the program is free of charge, those planning to attend are asked to register in advance. For more information or to reserve your spot, call 835-2860 or email amy.jose@spectrummg.com.

Party at Margaritas to benefit Make-A-Wish Foundation

Margaritas Mexican Restaurant of Auburn will host a night of live music and special events to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation on Saturday, May 12. The evening will begin with acoustic music from 6 to 8 p.m., followed by sets from the Skidmarks at 8:00 and Continental Shakedown at 9:00, and wrapping up with an All-Star Music Jam featuring members of Continental Shakedown, drummer Jeff Glidden, members

of the L-A Harley Band, and other surprise artists.

The event will support Jeff Glidden's fundraising campaign for the Make-A-Wish Foundation's annual Walk for Wishes by asking for donations and holding a 50/50 raffle and silent auction. Donations for the silent auction are still being accepted. For more information, contact Ken Goodman at 577-5701 or kengoodman9473@gmail.com.

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Out & About with Rachel Morin

Alan Elze’s armchair road trip along “The Lincoln Highway”

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

Historian Alan Elze delivered his presentation on America’s first national memorial to President Abraham Lincoln, “The Lincoln Highway,” to a good sized audience in the Androscoggin Community Room at Auburn Public Library on April 24 in the continuation of the Curious Minds Lecture Series.

The popular series is a collaboration of APL and USM’s Lewiston Auburn Senior College and is managed by Marty Gagnon, APL Adult Services, with Joanne Sabourin and Claire Small, Senior College Board members and APL Liaisons.

Elze’s narrated presentation was complete

with photos of picturesque scenes across the now “almost forgotten” Lincoln Highway. Interesting “original” Lincoln Highway signs, unique to small-town locations, were created and posted by the local towns along the way.

Alan and his wife, Rebecca, are well known for their numerous cross-country trips on back roads, taken at their own pace with no agenda. They enjoy meandering along and stopping where interest and curiosity beckons. Alan had several anecdotes to share relating to their discoveries in “off the beaten path” locations on the Lincoln Highway. Rebecca’s photos added special, interesting touches and good background to Alan’s stories.



Alan Elze has the audience’s attention as he describes the origin of the now “almost forgotten” Lincoln Highway stretching across the USA from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The Elzes encountered many townspeople in restaurants and places of interest who wondered why they had travelled so far and were taking this “stretch of road” if they had no relatives to visit in the area. The townspeople seemed not to realize they were living next to a U.S. national treasure.

The Lincoln Highway

was built in 1913 by a group of automobile enthusiasts and industry officials establishing the Lincoln Highway Association “to procure the establishment of a continuous improved highway from the Atlantic to the Pacific, open to lawful traffic of all descriptions without toll charges.”

In its time, the Lincoln Highway would become the nation’s premier highway, as well-known as U.S. Route

66 was to be in its day and as well-known as I-80 and I-95 are today. Alan felt that if F.W. Woolworth and J.J. Newberry had not gone out of business, the stores would still be along the highway today.

Alan is past Chair of the LA Senior College Board of Directors and has taught multiple courses at the senior college spring and fall semesters for the past 13 years.



Joanne Sabourin, Marty Gagnon, APL Adult Services; and Claire Small have arranged the popular Curious Minds Lecture Series, an ongoing collaboration with USM’s Lewiston Auburn Sr. College and Auburn Public Library. Sabourin and Small are Sr. College Board members and APL Liaisons.



Norm and Martha Palmer, left, with Diane and Bud Bleakney, are ready for their armchair travel along The Lincoln Highway.



Don and Bonnie Miville always look forward to the Curious Minds Lecture Series.



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Trinity Jubilee Center presents Empty Bowls Supper



This fundraiser features free admission and supper with the purchase of pottery crafted by local artisans.

The Trinity Jubilee Center will present its 14th annual Empty Bowls Supper on Sunday, May 20, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at First Universalist Church, located at 169 Pleasant Street in Auburn. Potters from across the state have created hundreds of bowls, plates, and mugs for this event, and 17 local restaurants are preparing dinner. All are invited to purchase a piece of pottery and then eat dinner with their families while enjoying live fiddle music by Greg and Jessie Boardman.

Dinner will include soups, breads, drinks, and desserts prepared by Ben's Burritos, DaVinci's Eatery, Forage Market, Gipper's Sports Grill, Governor's Restaurant and Bakery, Grant's Bakery, Hurricane's Cafe and Deli, Italian Bakery, Luiggi's Pizzeria,

Marche Kitchen and Wine Bar, Marco's Restaurant, Sam's Italian Foods, Sedgley Place, She Doesn't Like Guthrie's, Subway, Tripp's Farmhouse Cafe, and Wei Li.

Potters creating works for the event include Carrie White, Edgecomb Pottery, Georgetown Pottery, Meadow Muffin Pottery, Mudroom Pottery, Portland Pottery, The Potter's House, Saltbox Pottery, and students of Bates College, Maine College of Art, and St. Dominic Academy.

Admission and dinner are free with the purchase of pottery. All proceeds from the event support the Trinity Jubilee Center, which serves residents of Downtown Lewiston six days a week through its soup kitchen, food pantry, resource center, refugee integration

program, and day shelter. Each year, the center serves 30,000 meals and distributes 15,000 bags of groceries to local residents struggling to feed their families.

Early admission passes, which allow guests to enter 30 minutes early for the first choice of pottery, are available online at the center's website. Those unable to attend the event are invited to "Fill a Bowl" online to fund 25 meals. Also available for purchase online are limited edition "Hope" bowls, created for the 2018 Empty Bowls Supper by Leann Fereshetian of Meadow Muffin Pottery.

For more information on the Trinity Jubilee Center's programs and the Empty Bowls Supper, email erin@trinityjubileecenter.org or visit www.trinityjubileecenter.org.

Curious Minds present "Taking It Easy - The Eagles Way"

The Curious Minds lecture series at Auburn Public Library will continue on Tuesday, May 15 at 2 p.m., when Lewiston-Auburn Senior College instructor and music fanatic David Bernier will present a program called "Taking It Easy - The Eagles Way."

The Eagles came into being in 1971, when guitarist and singer Glenn Frey was advised by Asylum label head David Geffen

to form a band. That band was subsequently signed by Geffen and hooked up with producer Glyn Johns, who recorded their first album in 1972. The album was completed in London in less than three weeks. The Eagles would become famous for their influential country-rock sound, soaring to commercial and critical success with such hits as Take It Easy, Peaceful Easy Feeling, and Witchy

Woman.

The Curious Minds Lecture series is a partnership of 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>.

LA Women Rising brings LUNAFEST to Public Theatre

LUNAFEST is coming to The Public Theatre in Lewiston. This fundraising film festival dedicated to promoting awareness of women's issues, highlighting women filmmakers, and bringing women together in their communities will take place Wednesday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m.

The event is presented for the second year by LA Women Rising, a partnership of four local agencies working together to end violence against women. This year's event will conclude with a discussion of the films led by Emily Kane, Professor of Sociology and Gender Studies at Bates College.

The festival spotlights

women as leaders in society, illustrated through nine short films by women filmmakers. The films range from animation to fictional drama and cover such topics as women's health, war, motherhood, cultural diversity, and breaking barriers. Proceeds from LUNAFEST benefit the sponsoring agencies, with a donation returned to LUNAFEST to support Chicken & Egg Pictures, a nonprofit organization that supports the work of women filmmakers.

LA Women Rising is made up of member organizations The Center for Wisdom's Women, Safe Voices, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services, and the YWCA of Central

Maine. It began with their shared experience participating in a One Billion Rising project in 2014 and has continued as a partnership to raise awareness about violence against women. The group's efforts have two goals: to build an ongoing network of support and advocacy around the issue of violence against women and girls, and to lead people to action steps that promote long-term change.

The Public Theatre is located at 31 Maple Street in Lewiston. Tickets may be purchased for \$25 at the door or \$20 at the sponsoring local agencies or online at www.lunafest.org/ screenings.

Bonny Eagle Chess Club to host inaugural tournament

The Bonny Eagle Chess Club will host their inaugural Memorial Day Weekend Scholastic Teams Chess Tournament on Saturday, May 26 at Bonny Eagle Middle School. Perpetual trophies, including the Claude E. Webber Memorial

Cup, will be awarded to the winning and second-place teams in each division. Winning players will also receive individual memento trophies.

The cost is \$5 per player and USCF membership, which may be purchased

through the club, is required. The deadline to register is Tuesday, May 22. Bonnie Eagle Middle School is located at 92 Sokokis Trail in Buxton. For more information about rules, fees, eligibility, or registration, see goo.gl/DcgdFM.



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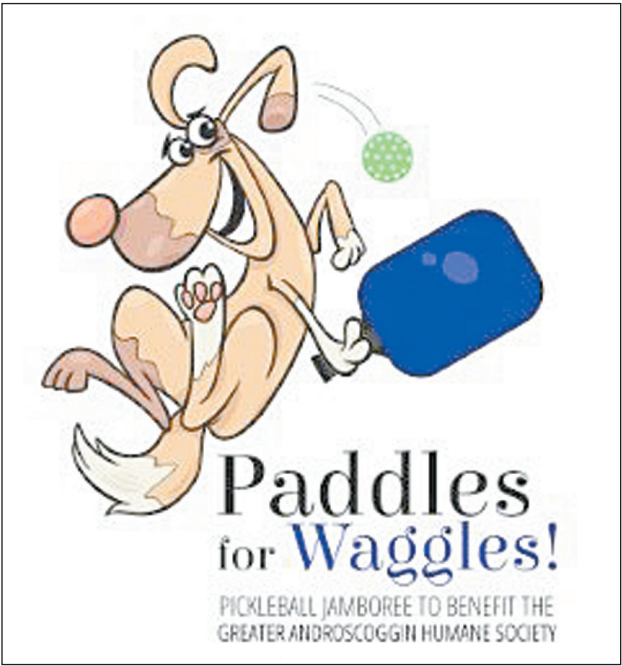
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Auburn Rec plans Pickleball Jamboree for Humane Society



The Auburn Recreation Department will host a “Paddles for Waggles” Pickleball Jamboree to benefit the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society on Saturday, May 26 at 9 a.m. at Norway Savings Bank

Arena. The jamboree will be open to mixed doubles at five different levels of ability, from beginner to highly-competitive. The registration fee is \$20 per player. Teams can register online at www.auburnrec-creation.com. The public is welcome to come watch at no charge. Those attending are asked to bring an item (such as kitten formula, kitten food, dog toys, etc.) to donate to the Greater Androscoggin Humane Society. To see the shelter’s “wish list” of needed supplies, visit www.gahumane.org. For more information on the tournament, registration, or how to get involved, contact the Auburn Recreation Department at 333-6601 ext. 2101 or sbest@auburnmaine.gov.

Concerts for a Cause presents annual “Remembering Tom Rowe” concert



The late Tom Rowe in 1987

Concerts for a Cause will present the 14th annual “Remembering Tom Rowe Concert: A Celebration in Song” on Friday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the First Universalist Church of Auburn. Proceeds will benefit the Jack McPhillips Memorial Fund. This year’s concert will include Dave Rowe, Schooner Fare, Denny Breau, and a list of guest artists including Larry “Flash” and Tina Allen and T-Acadie. A member of Schooner Fare and Turkey Hollow, Tom Rowe was a consummate musician-entertainer who served as choir director for the First Universalist Church of Auburn from 1992 until his untimely death in 2004. His son Dave organized the first Remembering Tom Rowe concert in the greater Lewiston-Auburn area and the concerts have become an annual event. Concerts for a Cause brings concerts to the LA community while raising funds for area charities. The Jack McPhillips Memorial Fund is a unique

organization that seeks to aid those who have little chance of finding help through large agencies or whose situation requires immediate assistance. The series is produced by local musician and church choir director Dave Rowe and a dedicated group of church members.

The church is located at 169 Pleasant Street, across from Dairy Joy, in Auburn. Tickets are \$22 in advance or \$25 (cash or credit) at the door. For more information, call 783-0461 or see uuconcerts.org. To buy tickets, see <https://brownpapertickets.com/event/3329921>.

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Maine Music Society Chorale sings “Favorites from the Great American Songbook”



The program will feature classic songs by two celebrated giants of the music world, Cole Porter and George Gershwin.

The jazzy sounds of George Gershwin and Cole Porter will resound through the Gendron Franco Center’s performance hall on Saturday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m., and again on Sunday, May 20, at 3 p.m., when the Maine Music Society Chorale presents “Favorites from the Great American Songbook.” The program will feature classic American songs written for popular musical theater and movie productions from the 1920s to the 1950s. Characterized by witty lyrics and delightfully surprising rhymes, selections by Cole Porter will include “I Get a Kick Out of You,” “I’ve Got You Under My Skin,” and “Just One of Those Things,” while those by George Gershwin will include “S Wonderful,” “They Can’t Take That Away From Me,” and “Let’s Call the Whole Thing Off.” It’s hard to believe that almost a century has passed

since these two celebrated giants of the music world composed so many enduringly popular songs. Come take a listen down memory lane, sing along, and be delighted by tunes that have never lost their charm. For a preview of what’s in store, listen to the guest appearance by Maine Music Society’s John Corrie and Connie Hitchcock on 105.5’s Breakfast Club radio program on Tuesday, May 15 at 8 a.m. The Gendron Franco Center is located at 46

Cedar Street in Lewiston. Reserved seating tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for students. Tickets may also be purchased at the door for an additional \$2 each. Children under 12 enter free of charge when accompanied by an adult. A 20% discount is available for groups of 10 or more. To buy tickets in advance, call 333-3386, visit the Franco Center box office Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or see www.maine-musicsociety.org.

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WHA Gallery features paintings by Ardys Arlin and Marvin Jacobs



“The Lightkeeper’s House,” by Ardys Arlin

Paintings by Ardys Arlin and Marvin Jacobs are on display this month at the Woman’s Hospital Association Rotating Art Gallery, located at the main entrance to Central Maine Medical Center at 60 High Street in Lewiston. The works on display are available for purchase, and a percentage of sale proceeds benefits CMMC. Arlin, who formerly owned a gallery and framing studio in New Hampshire, shares her life and art with Jacobs in their home in Belmont, where she draws inspiration from the ever-changing colors of Maine’s rocky coast, inlets, and harbors. While she has worked with graphics and logo designs, her first love is watercolors, and her award-winning works are found in collections around the world.

Jacobs is a fourth-generation artist who shares his love of Maine and its landscapes through his art. Well known throughout New England as an artist and painting teacher, he is a member of the Society of Marine Painters, the American Society of Marine Artists, and Coast Guard Artists.

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the magazine. The 2018 ranking was developed by SHOOK Research and is based on an algorithm that includes client retention,

industry experience, review of compliance records, firm nominations, and quantitative criteria, including assets under management and revenue generated for their firms. The process also includes in-person and telephone due-diligence meetings to evaluate each advisor qualitatively. To see the complete list or to review the full methodology, visit www.forbes.com.

Sportsmen’s Club hosts Children’s Fishing Derby

The Litchfield Sportsmen’s Club will host its 43rd annual Children’s Fishing Derby & Casting Competition on Saturday, May 19. Each year the Litchfield Sportsmen’s Club stocks its on-site pond with trout specifically for this event, which is open to all children ages 5 through 15. There is no charge to enter the fishing derby and a small fee to enter the casting competition. The fishing derby has two divisions, for those ages 5 through 9 and 10 through 15. Registration opens at 9 a.m. Those ages 5 through 9 will fish from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and those ages 10 through 15 will fish from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Children must be accompanied by an adult and must bring their own poles and gear; only worms and artificial lures are allowed. Non-resident kids over age 12 must have a valid non-resident license. The child who catches the largest fish (determined by weight only) in each age category will receive a cash prize and trophy. Second place will receive a trophy. All kids will receive a prize for entering. The awards ceremony will begin at noon.

The casting competition will run from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and has two divisions, for those 5 through 15 and 15-plus. The winner will receive a trophy.

Food and drink will be available in the clubhouse. For more information, call Tom Pelletier at 268-9271, Mike Fletcher at 331-4719, or see the full contest rules at www.LitchfieldSportsmensClub.com.

“Planting Curiosity and Creativity” in Oxford Hills

As part of Downtown Norway’s Spring Fling on Friday, May 11, from 2 to 5 p.m., Pleasant Hill Property Services will offer a special activity for young people, along with an opportunity to support South Paris’s Celebration Barn Theater.

The children’s activity, called “Planting Curiosity and Creativity,” will allow children to pot their very own flower to take home. There is no cost to participate; the activity is made possible thanks to the generous contribution of flowers by some of Maine’s premiere independent growers, including Estabrook’s, Skilkins, and Broadway Gardens Greenhouses, with potting soil contributed by Coast of Maine.

Visitors may support Celebration Barn Theater by purchasing beautiful Mother’s Day hanging baskets. All profits from sales of the baskets will benefit Celebration Barn, Maine’s international center for theater training, creation, and performance located in South Paris. Celebration Barn Theater will be on hand with fun surprises, including a raffle of tickets for the season-opening performance of Mike Miclon’s “Early Evening Show” on June 2.

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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.

Auburn Business Association Annual Banquet. 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; girlscout-sofmaine.org.

Open House. 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Martel Elementary School, 880 Lisbon 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.

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

Calendar

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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 Reservoir.” 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
Childcare Needs Donation Drive. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Shaws in Lewiston and Auburn. In honor of mother’s day, St. Mary’s Nutrition Center seeks to “Pack the Bus” with donations of items (diapers, formula, wipes, etc.) needed by mothers and those who care for kids. Look for the bus in the parking lot.

Mother’s Day Bake Sale and Bottle Drive. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Parking lot, Chapter 11, 707 Main St., Lewiston. Proceeds support Tommy’s Feral Feline Friends, who work to help the forgotten feral cats living wild in local colonies. Again 5/13. normblais39@yahoo.com.

Screening Clinic. 9 a.m. to noon. CMMC Family Medicine Residency, 76 High St., Lewiston. Children to age 18 with orthopedic conditions, burn or spinal cord injuries, or cleft lips and/or palates who might benefit from the free care at Shriners Hospitals for Children are invited to attend. No appt. needed. 782-6831.

Screening Clinic. 9 a.m. to noon. Midcoast Rehabilitation Center, 329 Bath Rd., Brunswick. Children to age 18 with orthopedic conditions, burn or spinal cord injuries, or cleft lips and/or palates who might benefit from the free care at Shriners Hospitals for Children are invited to attend. No appt. needed. 782-6831.

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.

Plow Day. 12 to 3

p.m. Skyline Farm, 95 The Lane. No. Yarmouth. This free public event features horse-drawn plowing and other demos, wagon rides for the kids (on a donation basis), and a dog tricks show at 2 p.m.; concessions avail. Free. 829-5708; info@skylinefarm.org.

Bean and Casserole Supper. 4:45 p.m. Calvary United Methodist Church, 59 Sabattus St., Lewiston. After today, this monthly event resumes September 8. \$8 (children \$3). 782-3221.

Make-A-Wish Foundation Benefit. 6 p.m. on. Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, Center St., Auburn. Come enjoy an evening of acoustic music from 6 to 8 p.m. and full bands thereafter, along with raffles and a silent auction. 577-5701; kengoodman9473@gmail.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 \$20 - cash or check at door, or call 846-5378, see www.midcoastsymphony.org.

Square & Round Dancing. 7 to 9:30 p.m. Oxford Hills Middle School, 100 Pine St., So. Paris. Kip and Linda Moulton call and cue tonight’s dances; pres. by the Swingin’ Bears Square Dance Club. \$7 (free for non-dancers). 782-4050.

Concerts for Cause. 7:30 p.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. Dave Rowe, Schooner Fare, Denny Breau and guests present the annual “Remembering Tom Rowe Concert: A Celebration in Song.” \$22 advance, \$25 (cash or credit) at door. 783-0461; uuconcerts.org.

Concert: Anais Mitchell. 7:30 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. This acclaimed singer-songwriter’s work has been influenced by the confessional, alternative folk stylings of Ani DiFranco. \$22 (\$25 at door). 442-8455.

Monday, May 14
Annual Meeting. 6 p.m. UMaine Cooperative Extension office, 24 Main St., Lisbon Falls. The Androscoggin-Sagadahoc Counties Extension Association meets to elect new officers; speaker, refreshments. 353-5550; kymnolle.hopson@maine.edu.

Tuesday, May 15
Power Lunch

Seminar. Noon to 1 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Solar Consultant Nick Sampson of ReVision Energy discusses how to power your house or business with clean energy. Free, but registration requested. www.LAMetroChamber.com.

Curious Minds Lecture. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. L-A Senior College instructor and music fanatic David Bernier discusses “Taking It Easy - The Eagles Way.” Pres. in partnership with 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 “Building a Cinder Block Raised Bed.” Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

Carpal Tunnel Syndrome and Hand Pain. 6 to 7 p.m. Central Maine Orthopaedics, 690 Minot Ave, Auburn. Spectrum Healthcare surgeons discuss symptoms, causes, and when to call the doctor. Free, but pls. register at 835-2860 or amy.jose@spectrummg.com.

Wednesday, May 16
Small Business Forum. 7:45 to 9 a.m., Town Office, 19 Danforth St., Norway. The Oxford Hills SCORE and Chamber of Commerce host attorney Jordan Payne Hay to discuss “Branding and Trademarking: Legal Considerations.” Free. Register at www.oxfordhillsmaine.com.

Soup & Song Lunch. 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Calvary United Methodist Church, 59 Sabattus St., Lewiston. A soup-of-the-day lunch is followed by a short oldies sing-along. \$2. All welcome. 782-3221.

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; girlscout-sofmaine.org.

LUNAFEST Film Festival. 6:30 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. LA Women Rising presents this fundraising event dedicated to short films by and about women; a facilitated discussion follows. \$25 at door; \$20 at www.lunafest.org/screenings.

Thursday, May 17
“The Internet of Things” Workshop. Noon

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A Wrinkle In Time (PG)	12:00		6:30	
I Feel Pretty (PG-13)	12:50		6:50	9:20
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1 p.m. LA Metro Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Learn how the emerging IoT can help achieve new efficiencies in your business. \$50 (members \$25). 783-2249; lametrochamber.com.

Saturday, May 19
Children’s Fishing Derby & Casting Competition. 9 a.m. to noon. Sportsmen’s Club, 2782 Hollowell Rd., Litchfield. Kids 5 and over compete in two age divisions. For details and contest rules, see www.LitchfieldSportsmensClub.com.

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 Program.

Concert: Maine Music Society Chorale. 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. In “Favorites from the Great American Songbook,” the chorale sings classic songs by Cole Porter and George Gershwin. Again 5/20 at 3 p.m. \$20/18/10 (add \$2 at door); kids ages 11- free. 333-3386; www.mainemusicssociety.org.

Vintage Burlesque & Variety Show. 8 p.m. American Legion Post #31, 426 Washington St. No., Auburn. Join “Pin-Ups on Tour” for an evening of vintage WWII-era entertainment; period attire encouraged. Veterans, active duty personnel enter free. Ages 18+. \$25 at door, \$22 at 783-6992 or www.pinupsontour.com.

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. Hospice House 5K and Remembrance Walk. 9 a.m. Central Maine Community College. Sign in begins at 7:30 a.m. for this annual fundraiser for Andro. Home Care and Hospice. \$25/30. Register at www.ahch.org.

Empty Bowls Supper. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. First Universalist Church, 169 Pleasant St., Auburn. This fundraiser for Trinity Jubilee Center features free admission and supper with the purchase of pottery crafted by local artisans; early admission passes avail. at www.trinityjubileecenter.org.

Tuesday, May 22
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 “Mulching for healthier gardens with less maintenance.” Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

Androscoggin Historical Soc. Annual Meeting. 5:30 p.m. Marco’s Restaurant, 12 Mollison Way, Lewiston. Following dinner at 6:30, Mike Luciano of Jay discusses the past and future of Maine’s paper industry. \$25 (members \$20). Reserve by Friday, May 18. 784-0586.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Greene Central School, 41 Main St., Greene. Come learn about Girl Scouts’ Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsof-maine.org.

Wednesday, May 23
Oasis of Music. 12:30 to 1 p.m. Trinity Church, 247 Bates St., Lewiston. The flute duo of Chris Lansley and Sally Grube performs. Free. 344-3106.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. McMahon School, 151 No. Temple St., Lewiston. Come learn about Girl Scouts’ Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsof-maine.org.

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Chocolate Church presents singer-songwriter Anais Mitchell



Described as the queen of modern folk music, Mitchell's work has been heavily influenced by the confessional, alternative folk stylings of Ani DiFranco.

Singer-songwriter-musician Anais Mitchell, who has been heavily influenced by the confessional, alternative folk stylings of Ani DiFranco, will perform at Chocolate Church Arts Center on Saturday, May 12 at 7:30 p.m. Described as the queen of modern folk music, Mitchell seems to channel spirits from the Old Testament to modern America - but most-

ly from the Y chromosome. A Vermont- and Brooklyn-based singer-songwriter who comes from the world of narrative folk song, poetry, and balladry, Anais Mitchell began writing songs at the age of 17. Among her recorded works are the award-winning "Child Ballads," "Young Man in America," and "Hometown," the latter of which she expanded

into a theater show that debuted off-Broadway in 2016 at New York Theatre Workshop. The show will open at London's National Theatre in November 2018 before transferring to Broadway. Her NPR Tiny Desk performance from a few years back can be viewed on YouTube.

If there's a common thread in Mitchell's work, it's that she's as interested in the world around her as the one inside her. As the New York Times wrote: "Ms. Mitchell's songs address contemporary angst with uncanny vision.... a formidable songwriting talent".

Chocolate Church Arts Center is located at 804 Washington Street in Bath. Tickets are \$22 in advance or \$25 at the door. They may be purchased by calling the box office at 442-8455 or online at www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

ASCEA plans Annual Meeting, seeks new members

The Androscoggin-Sagadahoc Counties Extension Association (ASCEA) will hold its Annual Meeting and election of officers on Monday, May 14 at 6 p.m. at the University of Maine Cooperative Extension office, located at 24 Main Street in Lisbon Falls. The speaker will be

UMaine Extension 4-H Teen Leadership Council and Maine AgrAbility project coordinator Lani Carlson. Coffee and dessert will be served. The ASCEA is actively recruiting members, who, in partnership with UMaine Extension staff, oversee county bud-

get appropriations that support Extension educational programs and provide input on educational programming needs. For more information, to RSVP, or to request a disability accommodation, call 353-5550 or email kymnoelle.hopson@maine.edu.

Twin City Nights

CLT announces cast for "Twelve Angry Men"



Taking a break during a recent rehearsal for 12 Angry Men are cast members (from l.) Dan Burgess, Cory King, and Jason Pelletier. The play opens at Community Little Theater on June 8.

Director Jackie McDonald has announced the cast for the upcoming Community Little Theatre production of "Twelve Angry Men." The twelve jurors will be played by Chris L'Hommedieu, Paul Menezes, Cory King, Bill Myers, Dan Burgess, Sean Wallace, Jason Pelletier, John Blanchette, Phil Vampatella, Dan Kane, Don Libby, and David Moyse. Jim McKinley will play the guard.

Twelve Angry Men is a dramatic play by Reginald Rose adapted from his 1954 teleplay of the same title. The 1957 movie with Henry Fonda and Lee J.

Cobb earned three Academy Award nominations. Staged in a 1964 London production, the Broadway debut came 50 years later and won a Drama Desk Award and Tony Award for Best Revival of a Play.

Set in the 1950s, the play opens with the twelve jurors - all men - entering the jury room to deliberate the fate of a young man who could face the death penalty. While eleven of the jurors are convinced of the defendant's guilt, juror number eight believes he has some reasonable doubt and works to win over the other jurors. Throughout

their deliberation, not a single juror calls another by his name because the names are unknown. The jurors are forced to investigate the reasons behind their rush to judgement and the prejudice they each have brought with them to the situation.

Twelve Angry Men will be performed on June 8, 9, 14, 15, and 16 at 8 p.m. and on June 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. at the Great Falls Performing Arts Center on Academy Street in Auburn. More information is available online at www.laclt.com.

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