

McMahon third-graders win LYAC Recycling Contest



Mrs. Robin Desjardins' third-grade class used recyclable materials to construct a large model house.

The importance of recycling was celebrated at Lewiston's McMahon School recently when members of the Lewiston Youth Advisory Council, along with Mayor Shane Bouchard and City Councilor Joline Landry Beam, visited Mrs. Robin Desjardins' third-grade class to congratulate them on winning the LYAC Recycling Contest.

The contest called for local students to submit photos of sculptures they made from recyclable materials. Mrs. Desjardins' class used

such materials to construct a large model house with a kitchen, game room, doors, windows, a balcony, dog house, food, tanks, flowers, and more. Mrs. Desjardins remarked how seriously the students took the project as they learned about recycling.

Several students described the various aspects of the sculpture to the guests, with one summarizing the project by saying: "We gathered all our ideas and worked together." Councilor Beam discussed

Lewiston's landfill, why it's important to re-use and re-cycle, and asked the students questions about what they'd learned. LYAC members Hunter Steele tested the student's recycling knowledge with true-or-false questions and Emma Wolverton praised them for a job well done.

As the contest winners, the class received a "Recycling Rocks" certificate, "Recycling Rulz" t-shirts, and an ice cream social courtesy of the Lewiston Firefighters Association.

"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 vaudevillian 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.pinupsonatour.com.

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William Rolfe is CMCC Student of the Year



Student of the Year William Rolfe is pictured here with Dean of Students Nicholas Hamel (l.) and President Scott Knapp (r.).

William Rolfe of West Paris has been honored as the Central Maine Community College Student of the Year for 2018. He and six other Maine community college students were honored recently for their academic success and campus and community involvement at a ceremony in Augusta hosted by the Maine Community College System Board of Trustees.

An Air Force veteran who served at Sheppard and Lackland Air Force bases

in Texas, Rolfe returned to Maine and worked as a lab technician before attending CMCC. His life took an unexpected turn when, at age 26, he was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. He spent the next three months in physical therapy re-learning how to walk and use his left arm. He recalls actually having to "retrain" his mind to control his body.

An outstanding student with a perfect 4.0 GPA, Rolfe now helps other students as a tutor in the TRIO

program. He is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and Veterans Club on campus and American Legion Post 151 in West Paris, where he serves as treasurer, service officer, and post adjutant. He also works with injured and disabled veterans playing on the New England Warriors, a competitive veterans sled hockey team.

During his physical therapy, Rolfe developed a keen interest in Cognitive See CMMC, page 4

Safe Voices holds 25th annual run-walk fundraiser

Safe Voices' annual 5K Run-Walk to End Domestic Violence returns to the Bates College campus on Saturday, June 2. This event aims to spread awareness of domestic violence and raise money to support those affected by abuse in Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties.

This is the 25th anniversary of Safe Voices' biggest annual fundraiser. The event was originally a walk-a-thon that took place in the Auburn Mall during the winter months. It soon moved outdoors, and five years ago Safe Voices added a 5K road race to the

festivities.

Participants can register online at RunSignUp.com. Runners and walkers are welcome, and there will be a one-mile walking loop in addition to the 5K course. This is a stroller- and dog-friendly event.

Runners and walkers are encouraged to use RunSignUp.com to raise money on behalf of Safe Voices leading up to the event. All proceeds will support Safe Voices' emergency shelter, advocacy, and education services.

In its last fiscal year, Safe Voices provided more than 10,000 hours of advo-

cacy and housed 142 people in its emergency shelter, 67 of whom were children. In addition, more than 7,000 individuals received education through Safe Voices' prevention programs. Those unable to participate in the 5K on June 2 can make a contribution to Safe Voices online at www.safevoices.org/donate.

Corporate and event sponsorship opportunities are still available. For more information, contact Victoria Stanton, director of development and engagement, at 795-6744 or vstanton@safevoices.org.

Community Concepts launches collaboration with Androscoggin Jail



Staff members from Community Concepts recently donated books to help update the jail's library. Picture here (l. to r.) are Cpt. Jeffrey Chute, Trudie Hazelton and Melissa Green of Community Concepts, and Sgt. Victoria Langelier.

Community Concepts and Community Concepts Finance Corporation have launched a collaboration with the Androscoggin Jail to provide financial coaching services to help inmates plan for their futures and get back on their feet after leaving the facility.

The collaboration kicked off when Community Concepts delivered over 350 books to help stock the jail's library. The books were donated by Communi-

ty Concepts' staff over the course of a month-long book drive at their office locations in Lewiston and South Paris.

"The topics of the books vary from college prep and math skills to home improvement, parenting, and novels, so we hope they will meet a variety of needs," said Melissa Green, Vice President of Client Services at CCFC.

Green will lead the new Financial Coaching

Program at the jail, where she will meet with inmates interested in receiving the free service. "We'll fine tune our financial coaching resources to fit the needs of the population at the jail," Green said. "I anticipate there will be demand for a range of skills, from basic financial literacy skills all the way up to someone who wants to become an entrepreneur and start planning for the future."

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Governor's Address: Beware of dishonest politicians this Election Year

Since this year is an Election Year, I must warn the Maine people that politicians have no legal obligation to be honest in their promises, campaign ads, or remarks. Some of them will say or do anything to get elected.

The worst offender is Attorney General Janet Mills, a Democrat who is running for governor. She has already proven to be disingenuous with the people of Maine, and she has already demonstrated a morally flexible relationship with the truth.

She is telling people that I tried to take

healthcare coverage away from children and that she stepped up to protect healthcare for 6,000 Maine kids. It's just not true.

She also claims she took me to court to keep them covered. She is implying that the lawsuit was about healthcare for school-aged children. Folks, it was not. Janet Mills is not telling the truth.

She did not take the Governor to court. She is referring to a lawsuit filed by DHHS against the federal government. Mills joined this lawsuit by filing an amicus brief on the side of the federal government. She



Governor Paul R. LePage

went directly against the interests of the Maine people.

More importantly, this lawsuit had nothing to do

with children. DHHS wanted to remove able-bodied 19- and 20-year-olds from the MaineCare system. Despite what Mills says, these are not school children. They are young adults who were old enough to serve in Iraq and Afghanistan. They are the same age as thousands of Americans in the Greatest Generation who fought in Europe and the Pacific during World War II.

They may be under 21, but they are not children - unless you are a Democrat in Maine. Only Maine Democrats think 19- and 20-year-olds are children instead of young adults. That's why

Democrats continue to pass nanny-state laws that disrespect these young adults, like preventing them from buying cigarettes until they are 21. Democrats would rather coddle young adults than provide them with the skills they need to become productive members of our workforce.

Mills also refers to an AP article, which states the reason why the federal court denied DHHS's request: "The court agreed that Maine can't roll back coverage for 19- and 20-year-olds because the Affordable Care Act requires states to maintain their level of coverage

for children until 2019."

This ruling was not decided by any brilliant legal maneuvering by Mills. In fact, she had nothing to do with it. The federal court simply ruled on federal law. And nowhere in the AP article does it credit Mills with protecting healthcare for 6,000 Maine kids.

You would think the state's highest-ranking law enforcement official would be committed to truth and honesty. In Janet Mills's case, you would be wrong.

Thank you.

Paul LePage
Governor

Maine-ly Harmony installs new officers



Here (l. to r.) are officers LouAnn Mossler, Candace Pepin, Cathy Anderson, and BJ Sylvester-Pellett. Absent from the photo are Janet Dunham and Barbara Combs. (Photo by Sue Staples)

The Maine-ly Harmony women's barbershop chorus recently installed new officers. They are Cathy Anderson of Jefferson, president; BJ Sylvester-Pellett of Winthrop, vice president; Candace Pepin of Augusta, secretary; Janet Dunham of Belgrade,

treasurer; and Barbara Combs of Topsham and LouAnn Mossler of South China, members at large.

Directed by Kathy Greason of Brunswick, the chorus welcomes member singers to their rehearsals on Wednesdays at 6:30

p.m. at the Emmanuel Lutheran Episcopal Church, 209 Eastern Ave in Augusta. Those interested in visiting a rehearsal or scheduling the chorus to sing at their event should contact Nancie Hugenbruch at 293-4779 or hugabook4@yahoo.com.

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Kinzie Frey of Auburn honored at Anthem Heroes at Hadlock event

Cancer survivor Kinzie Frey, age 9, of Auburn was honored at an Anthem Heroes at Hadlock event preceding a recent Portland Sea Dogs game for her courage and strength in battling neuroblastoma.

Now in its fourth year, the Anthem Heroes at Hadlock program provides children who have battled childhood cancer and received care from the Maine Children's Cancer Program with a once-in-a-lifetime experience at Hadlock Field. Each honoree takes a celebratory home run lap around the bases prior to a Sea Dogs home game while the players give the child high-fives and the crowd provides a standing ovation. The children and their families also receive a number of Sea Dogs souvenirs and many other VIP privileges.

In July of 2015, after months of vague symptoms, Kinzie, then 6, was sent for an ultrasound and received a diagnosis of Stage IV high-risk neuroblastoma. Instead of getting ready to embark on first grade, Kinzie endured grueling rounds of chemotherapy and, alongside her parents, learned how to care for her central line and kidney drain. Her initial road to recovery began with two lengthy, complicated surgeries, multiple rounds of chemo, and two stem cell transplants.

With determination, Kinzie battled back, step by painful step, with the help of her family, friends, and scores of dedicated healthcare providers. While she endured many other setbacks in the months and years following, including antibody treatments and left-sided heart failure, she stayed strong, persevered through it all, and slowly started gaining weight and building back muscle.



Kinzie was honored by the Portland Sea Dogs for her courage and strength in battling neuroblastoma.

Now nine years old, Kinzie's condition has improved greatly. Her heart has healed to be of normal size and function, and her kidneys have also improved.

Aside from having a port and receiving medication every other week, Kinzie is just like any other normal kid: she's an active second-grader who loves to swim, ride her bike, play in her treehouse, read, and participate in sports. She also loves to cuddle on the couch with her parents and six siblings. She's always helping others, and thanks to MCCP, she can keep doing so for a long time to come.

To help kids like Kinzie, you can make a tax-deductible contribution to the Maine Children's Cancer Program by using your mobile device to text "DONATE" to 78000 or by writing a personal check made out to the Maine Children's Cancer Program and mailing it to MCCP Development Department, c/o Strike Out Cancer in Kids, 22 Bramhall Street, Portland, ME 04102.



Kinzie gets high-fives from the team as she takes a celebratory lap around the bases

Chamber presents Power Trip session at Schooner Estates

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce's next Power Trip session, "Back to Business: Issues of Aging and Your Bottom Line," will take place at Schooner Estates, located at 200 Stetson Road in Auburn, on Thursday, May 24, from 12 to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Living in the oldest state in the nation, the caring staff of Schooner Estates understands that many business people in Maine are sandwiched between their careers and the needs of a growing senior population, which includes their parents, their employees' parents, and their customers.

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The chamber's Power Trip series takes participants on-site to see fellow chamber investors and their businesses and organizations in action. For more information, call 783-2249 or see lametrochamber.com.

being honored were selected by faculty and staff at each of the colleges. Each will receive a John H. Lapoint, Jr. Leadership Award of \$1,000. Lapoint was president of UF Strainrite in Lewiston and a trustee of the Maine Community College System. After his death in 1995, his widow, Jana Lapoint, served on the board from 1995 to 2006 and helped establish the fund for the annual awards.

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LRTC students shoot commercial to promote Lewiston Adult Education classes



In a shot from the commercial, rug braiding students Mary Gallie (l.) and Diane Comas (c.) get tips from instructor Beth Derenburger.

Students of the Lewiston Regional Technical Center have created a commercial to help spread the word about some of the hands-on classes offered by Lewiston Adult Education.

Seniors in Sylvie St. Amand's multimedia class recently mixed and edited the 30-second commercial after shooting footage while visiting Lewiston Adult Education's welding, rug braiding, and construction classes during their free time after school.

"It's always a pleasure for me when my students use their skills and talents in real-world projects," said St. Amand. "It feels great to be able to give back to our school and community."

The students working on the project were Habbon Abdillahi and Lindsay Morin of Lewiston High School and Kaelyn Jipson and Nelson "Nik" Peterson of Oak Hill High School. The four take classes in the Lewiston Regional Technical Center's multimedia program as well

as at their own high schools.

The four seniors also helped post the video to YouTube, said Mike Reagan, education and marketing coordinator for Lewiston Adult Education. "I couldn't have done it without them," said Reagan. "I only wish they could be around when I have my next computer problem at work."

The commercial can be seen on Lewiston Adult Education's YouTube channel and on Auburn's Great Falls Television.

Bishop visits St. Francis Recovery Center in Auburn



Located in a former convent in Auburn, the center offers services for men ages 18 and older who are struggling with chemical dependencies and substance abuse issues.

The burgers are here. The salads are over on the table. And don't forget a chocolate chip cookie!" Doug, the chef at the St. Francis Recovery Center in Auburn, speaks directly to each resident so they don't miss a bite of the hearty meal he has prepared.

The lunch crowd at the center recently included Bishop Robert Deeley, who came to tour the facility operated by Catholic Charities Maine.

"We have to," Doug said when asked about the large food offerings. "The residents are well fed because, when many of them arrive, they are up to 30 pounds underweight due to drug use."

The center, located in a former convent in Auburn, offers services for men ages 18 and older who are struggling with chemical dependencies and substance abuse issues, including drug and alcohol addiction and co-occurring use disorders. Presently, as many as 16 men can participate in the residential treatment program at the center, which also offers outpatient services for both men and women.

Many of the staff members at St. Francis are in recovery themselves. "It gives our residents hope to see people in recovery on staff," said Program Director Tom Farrington. "It's great to show the residents and staff that, no matter

where they are, there is a way forward." Farrington has been clean for 30 years and has worked at St. Francis for eight years, working his way up from third-shift on-call resident advisor to director.

Several clinicians were once residents at St. Francis and, every Tuesday, two former residents, now working and with families, return to meet with the current residents, offering them guidance along a path they themselves have traveled.

"The staff and former residents teach them that there are consequences for bad actions and there is stuff you need to do to get out there in life and enjoy it," said staff member Maurice

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Center for Wisdom's Women launches campaign to fund Sophia's House



Members of the Sophia's House Cabinet, Honorary Council, Advisory Board, and The Center for Women's Wisdom Board of Directors gathered to launch the campaign. Pictured here (top to bottom) are (along the wall) Cathy Carey, Mike Carey, Kristen Cloutier, Eliza Madden, Sue Sproul, Kate Marble, Peg Hoffman, John Emmerson, Bruce King; (center right) Shawn Yardley, Julia Harper, Judy Maloney, Luanne Rhoades, Lee Myles, Janice deLima, Klara Tammany, Sarah Barton; (center left) Sarah Strong, Hannah Quimby, Karen Krzywda, Audrey Chapman, Barbara Trafton, Paula Marcus-Platz; (along the stair railing) Lindsay Gannon, Gabriella Russell, Elizabeth Keene, Katy Sperl, Tanya Sadler, Peggy Rotundo, Anne Auer, Carl Lakari; (outside the stairwell) Tom Platz (standing), Gary Friedmann (seated).

The Center for Wisdom's Women has launched a \$700,000 fundraising campaign to transform the former St. Patrick's convent into a long-term residential recovery community for women to be called "Sophia's House." More than \$199,750 has already been raised, including a significant lead gift from the Sisters of Charity.

The leaders of this effort, a five-member Campaign Cabinet and a twelve-member Honorary Campaign Council, recent-

ly gathered at the Nutrition Center, adjacent to the former convent at 143 Blake Street. Campaign Co-Chairs Audrey Chapman and Mike Carey told those assembled that "supporting the women who will be living at Sophia's House will make our entire community stronger."

"Our goal is to raise the balance by the end of this year, so we can begin renovations in January and have eleven women living there by the end of 2019," said Klara Tammany, Executive Director. "Not only are we renovating an historic

structure in the middle of Lewiston, but women will again be living in a building that originally provided community living for women."

The building, donated to The Center for Wisdom's Women by St. Mary's Health System, has been vacant for 16 years. The total cost of renovations and repairs will exceed \$1.6 million. Two-thirds of the cost is already funded by a combination of historic tax credits, a grant from FHLBB under Norway Savings Bank's sponsorship, and a Community Development Block Grant from the City of Lewiston. The \$700,000 in private gifts will make up the remainder.

Sophia's House will serve survivors of addiction, incarceration, and trafficking with an innovative program modeled on Thistle Farms in Nashville, Tennessee. Of those who enter their program, 84% complete it, two-thirds of whom remain sober and financially stable long-term. With a twenty-year history of success, Thistle Farms also runs the largest survivor-run social enterprise in the U.S. while spreading the truth that Love Heals.

Maine's opioid epidemic and rising rates of trafficking and incarceration make this project critical. "Sophia's House will help individuals break cycles of trauma using a model that's been proven to work," said Kristen Cloutier, Lewiston's City Council President and member of the Sophia's House Steering Committee. "This project will empower women to be their best selves and have a positive impact on the life of our community."

For more information or to contribute, contact Klara Tammany at 513-3922 or visit <http://wisdomswomen.org>.

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What's Going On

Relevant Radio's "Fr. Rocky" to speak in Lewiston



Fr. Francis Hoffman

Fr. Francis Hoffman, known affectionately to his listeners as "Fr. Rocky," will speak at the Basilica of St. Peter & Paul in Lewiston on Sunday, May 20, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Hoffman, the executive director and CEO of Relevant Radio, has been an on-air contributor since 2003. All are welcome to attend the event, which is

sponsored by Presence Radio, Maine's only Catholic radio network.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be offered prior to Fr. Rocky's presentation. If you plan to attend, please email info@presencerradio.org.

Relevant Radio broadcasts on nearly 130 stations reaching 38 states and is

the top Catholic radio app with 450,000 downloads in 192 countries. The network produces a variety of popular programs to help strengthen the family, solve everyday problems, and raise the hearts and minds of listeners to God.

Ordained as a priest of Opus Dei in 1992, Fr. Rocky also offers retreats in youth and family ministry and teaching and sacramental ministry. He previously served as chaplain of Northridge Preparatory School in Niles, Illinois. He holds a bachelor's degree in history from Northwestern University, an MBA from the University of Notre Dame, and a doctorate in canon law from the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome, Italy.

The Presence Radio Network can be heard on 106.7 FM in Portland, 105.7 FM in Springvale-Sanford, 97.5 FM in Fort Kent, 90.3 FM in Bangor, 89.7 FM in Bath-Brunswick, 89.5 FM in Augusta, and 1390 AM in northern Maine. It is also available on smartphones by downloading the Presence Radio app, by calling (605) 475-8037 to listen on your cell phone, or online at www.thepresencerradio.org.

Chamber presents Working the Workforce seminar

The LA Metro Chamber of Commerce will present a Working the Workforce seminar called "Boosting Skill-Attainment for Entry Level Workers" on Tuesday, May 22, from 12 to 1 p.m. The presenter will be Training and Development Coordinator Peter Weymouth of Northeast Technical Institute.

The workshop will focus on the urgent need

for employers to enhance the long-term competitiveness of their workforce by supporting mid-level skills learning systems for new hires. Those attending will learn about a successful, high-velocity, high-impact training program that is currently qualifying workers for full-time, high-demand employment.

Employers will relate to competency training

needs for in-demand positions; educators will see alignment of curricula to meet the urgent workforce needs of employers; and those seeking employment will learn about training to help them succeed in a manufacturing career. The chamber is located at 415 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. For more information, call 783-2249 or see lametrochamber.com.

Saturday's Maine Innovation Expo to feature leader on international space collaboration

Edward Little High School graduate Ken Hodgkins, director of the Office of Space and Advanced Technology in the U. S. Department of State's Bureau of Oceans, Environment, and Science, will be a featured speaker at the Maine Innovation Expo, taking place Saturday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Museum L-A. Admission to the expo is free and open to all; tickets can be reserved in advance at www.museumla.org.

Among Lewiston and Auburn's many professional success stories, Ken Hodgkins' journey from sheep farming in Auburn to serving as the director of the Office of Space and Advanced Technology stands out. He also serves as the U.S. Representative to the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and is a member elect of the International Academy of Astronautics and the International Institute of Space Law.

After graduating from ELHS, Hodgkins didn't have a clear idea of what he wanted to do with his life. He was used to hard work, but decided farming wasn't for him, so he packed up and went to the University of Maine at Orono. After graduating, he joined the federal government in 1980 as a Presidential Management Fellow. He began his work on space through diplomacy, not science.

During his presentation, Hodgkins will share the story of how he ended up where he is today. A down-to-earth, honest speaker who connects with people of all ages, he looks forward to talking with students who are spending their days in the same classrooms he sat in as a student at ELHS. He



ELHS graduate Ken Hodgkins is the director of the U.S. Office of Space and Advanced Technology.

will also speak about the latest efforts in international space collaboration, including the Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) system, orbital debris, and the use of nuclear power sources in space.

Hodgkins will meet and greet visitors at the Bates Mill throughout the day. This year's Maine Innovation Expo will have a full space section, including an award-winning student-created documentary and exhibit from Maine's 2018 National History Day state competition.

To further celebrate the legacy of Mainers on space, the Margaret Chase Smith Library will be on hand to share the story of U. S. Senator Margaret Chase Smith, who, in addition to being the first woman to be elected to both houses of Congress,

served on the Senate Space and Aeronautic Science Committee, which funded the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo programs that eventually put man on the moon. The library will offer a rocket building station and let people design their own space mission patches.

If you would like to meet Ken Hodgkins, in addition to entertainers and over fifty exhibitors featuring hands-on games and activities, join Museum L-A for a jam-packed day celebrating the businesses, students, artists, and entrepreneurs doing innovative work across the state.

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

Sabattus Legion Post plans Memorial Day 5K

The Harry J. Conway American Legion Post 135 will hold its second annual Memorial Day 5K on Monday, May 28. The race will start at the Legion Hall on Island Road in Sabattus at 8 a.m. Registration is race-

day only and will begin at 7 a.m. The entrance fee \$15 for adults or \$10 for those ages 17 and under. Proceeds will support the Sabattus American Legion Scholarship at Oak Hill High School. Medals will be

awarded to Age Group winners and there will be several raffles. The event will precede the traditional Memorial Day Parade; all participants are invited to stay for the parade after the race.



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Rotary Lunch Club hosts Literacy Volunteers director



Tahlia Chamberlain

The Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Lunch Club will present guest speaker Tahlia Chamberlain, director of Literacy Volunteers-Andro-

scoggin, at its next meeting on Thursday, May 24, from noon to 1 p.m. at the Village Inn at 165 High Street in Auburn.

Chamberlain is a lifelong Mainer and over-the-top fan of her three large dogs and her husband, Norm. Since graduating from the University of Southern Maine in 1985, she has worn many hats as social worker, teacher, and program manager, and has had the privilege of working with thousands of people, from tots to teens, disabled

adults to college students. In 1996, she became the first paid employee of Literacy Volunteers-Androscoggin and quickly developed a passion for empowering adults through education. Twenty-two years later, the courage and tenacity of adult students and their volunteer tutors continue to inspire her.

Guests are welcome, and no reservations are required. For more information, call 713-7045 or see www.lewistonauburnrotary.org.

Bishop

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Ducharme. “With busy lives and families, these guys still make sure they are here every Tuesday to talk to those who need to talk.”

The center first opened as the Fellowship House on Saint Patrick’s Day in 1975. The house originally offered a medical detox program to assist people going through withdrawal. In 1984, a halfway house was added to provide continued treatment. In 1997, when the state shifted funding from medical detox to social detox programs, Catholic Charities turned the house into an extended shelter for those awaiting longer-term care. Wanting to be more than a holding facility, however, the facility developed a treatment program that evolved into the residential rehabilitation and outpatient services now offered at Saint Francis.

The center aims to help residents understand their addiction and to teach them the skills they need to live without substances. The treatment includes one-on-one counseling sessions

and group therapy sessions, where residents learn how to be more mindful of what their brains are telling them. In addition to the focus on healing the body and mind, the center also offers spiritual assistance.

“A lot of clients have started reading their Bibles, asking spiritual questions, and putting their work in, and that group has had tremendous success,” said Farrington.

Staff members also teach the residents “life skills” through chore assignments. “Some of the clients that come through learn how to do laundry or make a bed properly for the first time,” one staff member said. “They assist in the kitchen, do painting jobs, and work outside on the grounds, too.”

In winter, the steps and walks of the center are shoveled before daytime staff even arrives, and you won’t find litter anywhere on the grass. “I told some of the guys who were working in the yard one day that it doesn’t have to be perfect,” said Farrington. “But they said, ‘You might not care what it looks like, but we

do!’”

During lunch, Bishop Deeley presented a special plaque to staffer Maurice “Dutch” Ducharme, honoring his 25 years of service at the center in a variety of roles. Before departing, the bishop, who was accompanied on his visit by Catholic Charities Maine CEO Steve Letourneau, told the residents that he would be praying for them, and thanked the staff for their efforts, with special gratitude to Doug for the wonderful meal he had prepared for everybody.

“You’re welcome,” said Doug. “Come back anytime. We are always here.”

The Saint Francis Recovery Center takes referrals from doctors’ offices, hospital detox programs, employers, family members, and the corrections system. The center has a contract with Androscoggin County Drug Court and many referrals come from the court or from probation. Residents are admitted following an initial screening process. For more information about the residential rehabilitation program or outpatient services, call 784-2901.

What’s Going On

Veterans Council plans Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony on May 26



L & A Veterans Council members organizing the event include (l. to r., from front) Advisor Bert Dutil, Franco-American Veterans Post 31; Secretary Helen Taylor, Amvets Auxiliary Post 6; Chairman Jerry Dewitt, DAV Chapter 11; Vice Chairman Norm Cote, American Legion Post 22; Treasurer Cecile Burgoyne, Amvets Post 6; Don Dube, Franco-American Veterans Post 31; Maurice Fournier, American Legion Post 153; Albert Landry and Normand Bussiere, VFW Post 9150; Jo Paradis, Military Order of the Purple Heart; Carl Douglas, VFW Post 1603; and Clair Poirier and Charley Paul, Marine Corps League. (Absent from the photo is Donald Gosselin, American Legion Post 135.)

The L & A Veterans Council will host a Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony on Saturday, May 26. The parade will start at 9:30 a.m. at Kennedy Park in Lewiston, will proceed to Auburn, and will return to Lewiston to end at Veterans Memorial Park on the corner of Lincoln and Main Streets, where the ceremony will begin around 10:30 a.m.

Invited to participate in the parade and ceremony, which will honor those who have given their lives for this country, are all Veterans Posts and their Color Guards (including Veterans Posts that aren’t members of the Council), along with groups representing all military branches, the National

Guard and Reserves, ROTC, Civil Air Patrol, Young Marines, police, sheriff, and fire departments of any cities or towns, Knights of Columbus, Kora Shriners, Elks, Rotary, Eagles, D.A.R., and Boy and Girl Scouts. Such groups may participate with color guards, marching members, vehicles, floats, or horses.

The ceremony at 10:30 a.m. will open with the National Anthem, religious readings, remarks by the mayors of both Lewiston and Auburn, and music by Nel Meservier. This will be followed by a memorial service, including the placing of the wreath at the “Freedom Is Not Free” monument by Gold Star

Mothers, three cannon shots by VFW Post 1603, Taps by Norm Bussiere, and a reading of the names of Veterans Post members who passed away this year. The event will conclude with the unveiling of the park’s 30th memorial stone, inscribed with 216 names and the emblem of the Gold Star Mothers. Please bring your own chairs.

Following the ceremony, members of the L & A Veterans Council will be on hand with alphabetized lists of the names inscribed on all the monuments to help those attending find the names of their loved ones. For more information, call Bert Dutil at 786-2305.



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Out & About with Rachel Morin “Fashions Through the Ages” at the United Methodist Church of Auburn

Story and photos by Rachel Morin

My friend Judy Sargent called me about the fashion show her church was having and asked if I would be interested in attending. Would I? Absolutely! I looked forward to attending “Fashions Through the Ages,” featured at the April 24 banquet at the Auburn United Methodist Church.

And so there I was, arriving early, and pleased to see other early birds as well. The latest fashion dresses from 1860 and 1870 were on display, as were eye-catching wedding gowns of an earlier era, and heirloom handmade Baptismal gowns a century old from England. These garments were on view

hanging from the ceiling or were mounted on display boards and represented the years from 1860 to 1989.

It was interesting to see these old-time fashions, which drew many favorable comments from the women circling the displays... and a few men were interested as well. One man even took pictures.

United Methodist

women working on arrangements included Judy Sargent, Shirley Keene, Patricia Thomas, Lucille Webber, and Jan Wilkinson. Lovely miniature hats were handmade by Judy, Shirley, and Patricia and placed at each table setting.

Following the banquet, a comedy sketch was performed by women wearing hilarious creations of

their own design with exploding laughter from the audience. The models were Marcia Bickford, Gladys Chapman, Cheri Downing, Pam MacDonald, Patricia Thomas, and Lucille Webber. Gail Theberge was the moderator. Men serving the dinner were Rev. Steve Bascom, Paul Bisson, Joel Irish, Scott Keniston, and Frank Thomas.



Patricia Thomas displays her mink hat and collection of lace collars and accessories. Gloves on loan from Judy Sargent.



Partial view of the Edith Ellis Collection of vintage evening bags and shoes.



Gail Theberge was the moderator for the comedy sketch following dinner.



Mary Mac Mahon and granddaughter Emma show the century-old, handmade heirloom Baptismal gowns from England that were worn by Mary and David Mac Mahon's children, Mark, Sarah, Christopher, and Diana. The Mac Mahons are natives of England.



Poodle skirts, on loan from Billie Wight (l.) and Donna Manson (r.).



1970 matching outfits handmade by Nancy Lander for her and husband Tim.

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Marcia Humason Akers, R.N., Central Maine General Hospital, 1969, models a nurse's travel cloak from years ago.



Judy Sargent holds the blue "Mother of the Bride" dress she wore at daughter Laurie's wedding in 1987 and daughter Susan's wedding in 1989.



Wedding gown with blue band at waistline, worn by Nancy Beatrice on August 16, 1969 in Meriden, Connecticut.



Marcy Kenison, with her Grandmother's wedding gown and train, all in one piece and trimmed with lace from England. Lauretta Pinette Duprez wore it on December 27, 1941. She now lives in Lewiston and is doing well at 97.



Sunday Best - floor length dress of heavy gray fabric embellished with striping and exquisite sleeve detail, worn by mother Dorcas Dill Field and daughter Hattie Field Sargent. On loan from David and Judy Sargent.



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Perfect for kids ages four and up, the show features fifteen hand-crafted puppets and an eight-foot paper mache pirate ship.

Looking for something fun to do with the kids this weekend? If so, head on over to Lewiston's Public Theatre on Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m., when the acclaimed Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers will perform their award-winning kids' show "Everybody Loves Pirates."

Eight-year-old Lucy and her goofy pal Little Chucky are searching for buried treasure, but a gang of bumbling pirates

keeps getting in their way! Fortunately, the kids get some help from their new ocean-dwelling friends, including enthusiastic superhero Lobster Boy, his reluctant sidekick Crabby, and an overgrown sea monkey. The production features fifteen hand-crafted mouth-and-rod puppets and an eight-foot paper mache pirate ship. Almost an hour in length, the show is perfect for kids ages four and up.

Comprised of three

siblings and based in Bar Harbor, Maine, Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers was founded in 2000 and has received three Citations of Excellence from UNIMA-USA, the highest national award for puppetry. The Public Theatre is at 31 Maple Street in Lewiston. Tickets are only \$5 for those ages 4 through 18 and \$10 for their adults. To buy, call 782-3200 or visit www.thepublictheatre.org.

Curious Minds series concludes with "Maine Veterans' Histories"

The Curious Minds lecture series, jointly presented by Auburn Public Library and Lewiston-Auburn Senior College, will conclude with a program called "Humble Heroes: Maine Veterans' Histories." Led by Franco-American writer and veterans historian Juliana L'Heureux, the program will take place at the library on Tuesday, May 22 at 2 p.m.

L'Heureux's presentation will focus on the family story of Albert and Blanche L'Heureux of Sanford, who were Silver Star parents five

times. All five of their sons served during World War II at the same time, each in different places. Robert and Henry received Purple Hearts for their war wounds in France and Italy. Henry in particular was engaged in hand-to-hand combat at the Battle of Anzio during the Allied invasion of the beach head.

Related to them by marriage, L'Heureux conducted interviews several years ago with the four brothers surviving at the time, Robert, Walter, Arthur, and Henry. Fifth brother

Leo had died before the interviews were conducted. The brothers spoke candidly about their experiences on the front lines.

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

CLT, UU Theater hold auditions for "American Dreams"

Co-producers Community Little Theatre and UU Theater will host auditions for a new play, "American Dreams: Immigration Stories," on Monday and Tuesday, May 21 and 22, at 6:30 p.m. at First Universalist Church, located at 169 Pleasant Street in Auburn.

Written and directed by Linda Britt, the play explores the immigration experience through characters from Africa, Latin America, Eastern and Western Europe, and Asia. It will be presented as a staged reading at Community Little Theatre on June 29 and 30.

Britt is seeking actors for 26 monologues, with

an interest in diversity (racial, gender, age, etc.) of all kinds. There are more roles for younger actors (teens through 20s), but character ages range from 17 to 65. Auditions will consist of a "cold reading" of material that will be provided. Neither memorization nor stage experience are required, but the latter is encouraged. The director will work with actors individually as their schedules permit. One required dress rehearsal will take place on June 28.

Linda Britt is an award-winning director and playwright. Her plays have been produced from Maine to California, and

three ("Chosen," "Mirrors and Memories," and "Mrs. Smith Goes to Washington") have recently been published. Three plays she directed for Out of the Box Theater Company ("Medea," "Death of a Salesman," and "Hamlet") were honored by the New England Theatre Conference, two with Moss Hart awards for outstanding performance by a community theater and the third with an Honorable Mention in the same category.

For more information or to request an alternate audition time or day, contact Britt at 212-0230 or lindabritttootb@gmail.com.

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Brothers Chuck and Steve Romanoff perform maritime-inspired original and traditional songs.

Chocolate Church Arts Center in Bath will present beloved maritime musicians Schooner Fare on Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. Brothers Chuck and Steve Romanoff as Schooner Fare present lively concerts for folks of all ages, singing such signature original songs as “Portland Town,” “Day of the Clipper,” “We the Peo-

ple,” and “Scuttlebutt” with high spirits and their unique brand of Down East humor. The duo combine their talents on six-string guitar, twelve-string guitar, and banjo to craft their distinctive vocal and instrumental arrangements.

Schooner Fare has won critical praise over its 40-year history for their captivating harmonies and winning stage presence. Their 15 albums have included traditional songs of North America, Ireland, and Britain, as well as numerous originals, topical songs, country ballads, and maritime masterpieces.

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 442-8455 or at www.chocolatechurcharts.org.

Maine Event Comedy at Bear Bones Beer



Brett Johnson

Maine Event Comedy will present Boston's Brett Johnson on Thursday, May 17 at 7 p.m. at Bear Bones Beer in Lewiston. He'll be joined by fellow comics Leah Douglass, Ken Ramey, Nick Gordon, and host Dee Turcotte. An open-mic will follow the show.

Johnson's sly, cerebral joke writing and animated

storytelling combine for an act that's as entertaining as it is confessional. He's known for his willingness to explore delicate subjects and expressive physicality, which he developed as a trained actor and improviser. He's performed stand up all over the country, including as a featured performer in the Women in Comedy

Festival and the Crossroads Comedy Festival in Indianapolis.

Douglass was a part of last year's Portland Comedy Festival and Women of New England Show. She aspires to not get fired from her actual job for doing stand-up. New Gloucester's Gordon has been winning audiences over with his self-deprecating humor and recently competed in the Empire Comedy Summer Classic in Portland.

Ramey is a fixture in the New Hampshire circuit and a familiar face at the award-winning Comedy Night at the Shaskeen. Following a short break from stand-up, Turcotte returns to the stage, primed and ready to share insights and anecdotes about life and love.

The show is free and open to those ages 21 and older. Bear Bones Beer is located at 43 Lisbon Street in Lewiston. For more information, call 513-0742 or e-mail maineeventcomedy@gmail.com.

Twin City Nights

Visiting artist to present shadow puppet play



Javanese musician and master puppeteer Darsono performs in December with the Bates Gamelan Orchestra. (Photo by Phyllis Graber Jensen-Bates College)

Darsono, a prominent Javanese gamelan musician and master puppeteer who has been a visiting artist-in-residence at Bates College this year, will present an Indonesian shadow puppet play called “Ha-

numan the Messenger” on Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the college's Olin Arts Center Concert Hall at 75 Russell Street in Lewiston. The play will be supported by gamelan music performed by Bates College

students. The event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. For more information, call 786-6135 or email olinarts@bates.edu; to reserve tickets, see <http://batesconcerts.eventbrite.com>.

Schoolhouse Kids! presents “Getting to Know: Once Upon A Mattress”

Schoolhouse Arts Center of Standish will present a Schoolhouse Kids! production of “Getting to Know: Once Upon A Mattress” Friday through Sunday, May 18 through 20.

Directed by Danny Gay with musical direction by Betty McIntyre, the play is based upon the “The Princess and the Pea,” but if you thought you knew everything about this classic story, you may be in for a surprise! Did you know, for instance, that Princess Winnifred actually swam the moat to reach Prince Dauntless the Drab? Or that it may not have been the pea at all that caused the princess a sleepless night? By turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melodic, and carried on a wave of beguiling songs, this rollicking spin on the familiar classic of royal courtship and comeuppance

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The cast includes Sophie Koutalakis, Chloe Smith, Isabel Kimble, Elizabeth Bennett, Avary Davis, Sadie Dyer, Tracy Lind, Emily Lemont, Hannah Macri, Annikka Mocchiola, and Emily Wilcox. Absent from the photo is Nicole Adler.

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Franco Center presents “Maine Remembers: A Tribute to Veterans”



The Gendron Franco Center will team up with the Travis Mills Foundation to present a special tribute concert and reception to honor Maine’s veterans on Thursday, May 24 at 7:30 p.m. The event is designed to motivate, educate, inspire, and entertain, while raising awareness of veterans and active duty military personnel from Maine. Performers will include Josh Hatfield, Laurie Sidelinger, Tony Morin, Jay Barrett, Jody Steidel, Maddy Leslie, Jeff Mayerson, and the center’s executive director, Mitch Thomas.

The highlight of the event will be a special tribute to the Maine service men and women killed in combat since September 11, 2001. A representative of the Travis Mills Foundation will be the keynote speaker, and the Color Guard of Franco-American War Veterans Post 31 will present the flags of

the United States and the five branches of the U.S. military. After the concert, a reception with light hors d’oeuvres and cash bar will be offered in Heritage Hall. The doors and bar will open for the event at 6:30 p.m.

Retired United States Army Staff Sergeant Travis Mills of the 82nd Airborne is a recalibrated warrior, motivational speaker, actor, author, and advocate for veterans and amputees. In April 2012, Mills was critically injured by an IED (improvised explosive device) while on patrol on his third tour of duty in Afghanistan, losing portions of both legs and both arms. He is one of only five quadruple amputees from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to survive his injuries.

In September 2013, Mills founded the Travis Mills Foundation, a non-profit organization that assists combat-injured veterans. Last summer, the

foundation opened the Maine Chance Lodge & Retreat, a comfortable, uniquely-designed, fully-accessible lodge where combat-injured veterans and their families can relax, enjoy adaptive sports, and recreate. To date, the retreat has welcomed 57 veterans and their families from 23 states.

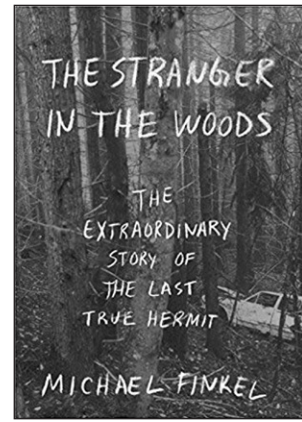
The event is free and open to the public. Donations will be gratefully accepted to support the work of the Travis Mills Foundation. Free tickets can be acquired in advance by visiting the Box Office Monday through Friday from noon to 4 p.m. or by calling 783-1585

The Franco Center is wheelchair accessible and located on the corner of Cedar and Oxford Streets in the “Little Canada” section of Lewiston, just across from New Auburn via the Bernard Lown Peace Bridge.

District Attorneys to discuss North Pond Hermit case at LPL

Lewiston Public Library will host District Attorneys Andrew Robinson and Maeghan Maloney to discuss the case of Christopher Knight, better known as the North Pond Hermit, on Monday, May 21 at 6 p.m. in the library’s Callahan Hall.

Knight, whose story made national news and was chronicled by Michael Finkel in the bestselling book “The Stranger in the Woods: The Extraordinary Story of the Last True Hermit,” lived alone in the woods of the North Pond area of



Andrew Robinson

Maine for 27 years, subsisting largely from items stolen from nearby cabins and camps. Robinson and Maloney will discuss the events in the book; the alternative court program that Knight entered; and similar programs in Lewiston and Auburn.

Andrew Robinson is the District Attorney for Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford counties. He started in these counties as an Assistant District Attorney in 1999 and was later promoted to Deputy District Attorney before being elected District Attorney in 2014. He attended the University of Maine at Orono before earning his Juris Doctor at the University of Maine School of Law in 1997. He has been married to his college sweetheart, Yvette, for 27 years. They have three children, Zeke, Gabe, and Charlotte. Outside of his time as a prosecutor, he spends his time fishing, hiking with his family, and cheering for the Patriots.

Maeghan Maloney is the District Attorney for Somerset and Kennebec Counties, where North Pond is located. As a child, she lived in the Tall Pines Low

Income Housing Project in Lewiston until her family moved to Turner, where she graduated from Leavitt High School in 1989. She received scholarships to attend Swarthmore College and Harvard Law School. After graduation, she worked as a prosecutor in Portland, Oregon, starting in the trial unit until she was promoted to



Maeghan Maloney

run the forfeiture unit. She spent a year in Asia working to stop domestic violence on a Luce Fellowship and then returned home to Maine, where she worked as an assistant attorney general before being elected to the Maine legislature.

This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required. For more information, contact the LPL Adult & Teen Services Desk at 513-3135 or LPLReference@Gmail.com.

“Music for Mavis” Summer Concert Series opens this week



The Turner Gazebo is located on the Village Green in Turner Center.

The “Music for Mavis” Outdoor Summer Concert Series at the Turner Gazebo has announced its schedule for the 2018 summer season. The concerts take place rain or shine on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. The series is not funded by the town; admission is free, but a suggested “pass the hat” donation of \$5 helps defray costs and supports the series. The gazebo is located on the Village Green in Turner Center. The rain location for the concerts is the Turner Library, located

across the green. For more information, call 754-0954.

The performers for 2018 are: May 22 - Tom Stevens, Folk; May 29 - The Lee Stetson Duo, Rock, Country, Blues; June 5 - Sruli and Lisa, Klezmer; June 12 - Stan Davis, Folk; June 19 - Kevin Libby, Country, Folk, Rock; June 26 - Black Cat Road Band, Rock; July 3 - Hank Washborn, Folk, Rock; July 4 - Marty Lang, Swing, Rock, Jazz; July 10 - Old Coats, Rock; July 17 - Back Woods Road

Band; July 24 - John Hoose of Country Choir, Country Rock; July 31 - Brad Hooper, Country Rock; August 7 - Milltown Road Show, Country, Bluegrass, Rock; August 14 - guitarist Denny Breau, with Ann, Deb, and Frank; August 21 - The Grownups (F. Coffin, L. Liberty, T. Hamilton), Rock; August 28 - Tim Bishop and Chrissy Paulson, Rock; September 4 - Cobblestones, Rock, Folk; September 11 - Hot Dam, Rock, Swing.

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Thursday, May 17

“The Internet of Things” Workshop. Noon 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.

Maine Event Comedy. 7 p.m. Baxter Brewing, 130 Mill St., Lewiston. Tonight’s performers are Boston’s Brett Johnson, Leah Douglass, Ken Ramey, Nick Gordon, and host Dee Turcotte; an open-mic follows. Ages 21-plus. Free. 513-0742; maineevent-comedy@gmail.com.

Friday, May 18

French Sing-Along. 1:30 p.m. Rm. 170, L-A College, 51 Westminster St., Lewiston. Les Troubadours lead participants in singing favorite French and Franco-American songs about mothers and springtime. Everyone welcome; songbooks provided. Free. 576-4109.

Theater: “Getting to Know: Once Upon A Matress.” 7 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Rd., Standish. This Kids! production puts a new spin on “The Princess and the Pea.” Again 5/19 (2 and 7 p.m.) and 20 (2 p.m.) \$10/8/5. 642-3743; www.schoolhousearts.org.

“Hanuman the Messenger.” 7:30 p.m. Olin Arts Center, Bates College, 75 Russell St., Lewiston. Accompanied by live gamelan music, Javanese master puppeteer Darsono performs this Indonesian shadow puppet play. Free, but tix required from eventbrite.com.

Concert: Schooner Fare. 7:30 p.m. Chocolate Church Arts Center, 804 Washington St., Bath. Brothers Chuck and Steve Romanoff perform maritime-inspired original and traditional songs. \$22 (\$25 at door). 442-8455.

Comedian Bob Marley. 8 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. One of the top comedians in America makes a return visit to the Franco Center. \$27.50. Doors and bar open at 6:30. 689-2000; francocenter.org.

Saturday, May 19

Spring Plant Swap & Sale. 9 a.m. to noon. Morse Memorial Library 105 Main Street, Greene. Plant lovers - stop by with your plants, cuttings, transplants, seeds, or bulbs to exchange with others, or buy from a selection offered by Lil’s Family Greenhouse. Free. 946-5544; www.morse.lib.me.us.

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

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See more Calendar at www.TwinCityTimes.com

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. This family-friendly event celebrating innovation in Maine features speakers, entertainers, and interactive exhibits by area businesses and students. Free; reserve your ticket at www.museumla.org.

Sash Revival Day. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bagala Window Works, 677 Main St., Westbrook. Come learn practical tips for maintaining and repairing your old windows; refreshments, door prizes. Free. RSVP to 887-9231 or selina@bagalawindowworks.com.

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.mainemusicsociety.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 runinrace.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.

“Everybody Loves Pirates.” 2 p.m. The Public Theatre, 31 Maple St., Lewiston. The Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers perform their award-win-

ning kids’ show, perfect for those ages four and above. \$10 adults, \$5 kids 4-18. 782-3200; www.thepublictheatre.org.

Relevant Radio’s “Fr. Rocky.” 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Basilica of Ss. Peter & Paul, Ash St., Lewiston. Fr. Francis Hoffman presents an address; the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be offered prior to the presentation. All welcome. Free. Please register at info@presencerradio.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.

Monday, May 21

The Case of the North Pond Hermit. 6 p.m. Callahan Hall, Lewiston Public Library. District Attorneys Andrew Robinson and Maeghan Maloney discuss the case of Christopher Knight, who lived alone in the woods in the North Pond area for 27 years. Free. 513-3135.

Tuesday, May 22

Working the Workforce Seminar. 12 to 1 p.m. Chamber of Commerce, 415 Lisbon St., Lewiston. Presenter Peter Weymouth of Northeast Technical Institute discusses “Boosting Skill-Attainment for Entry Level Workers.” 783-2249; lametrochamber.com.

Curious Minds Lecture. 2 p.m. Auburn Public Library. The series concludes with “Humble Heroes: Maine Veterans’ Histories,” pres. by Franco-American writer Juliana L’Heureux. 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 “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.

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center (rain location is the library across the green). This week’s performer is Tom Stevens (folk). Free, but a suggested “pass the hat” donation of \$5 helps support the series. 754-0954.

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.

Thursday, May 24

Rotary Club Lunch Meeting. Noon to 1 p.m. Village Inn, 165 High St., Auburn. Director Tahlia Chamberlain discusses her work with Literacy Volunteers-Androscoggin. Free; no reservations required. 713-7045; monica.millhime@maine.gov.

Chamber Power Trip. Noon to 1:30 p.m. Schooner Estates, 200 Stetson Rd., Auburn. Come learn about how our aging population affects you, your employees, and your customers. Lunch provided. 783-2249; lametrochamber.com.

Girl Scouts Info Session. 6 p.m. Montello School, 407 East Ave., Lewiston. Come learn about Girl Scouts’ Sprouting Daisies program for girls entering kindergarten or first grade. Free. 888-922-4763; girlscoutsof-maine.org.

“Maine Remembers: A Tribute to Veterans.” 7:30 p.m. Franco Center, 46 Cedar St., Lewiston. This event features a special tribute to Maine service men and women killed in combat since 9/11. Free; donations support Travis Mills Foundation. Reserve tickets at 783-1585.

Saturday, May 26

Shaker Bog Tour. 8 to 10 a.m. Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, 707 Shaker Rd. (Rte. 26), New Gloucester. Trained naturalist and birdwatcher Carol Beyna leads a tour of this 150-acre wetland. Free, but space limited, reservations required at 926-4597.

Pickleball Jamboree. 9 a.m. Norway Savings Bank Arena, 985 Turner St., Auburn. Come play or watch “Paddles for

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Arts Workshop. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Harlow Gallery, 100 Water St., Hallowell. Expert watercolor artist Kay Morris leads this entry-level watercolor course taught in a relaxed environment. \$40/45. Space limited; register at 622-3813.

Bean Supper. 4:30 to 6 p.m. Sixth St. Congregational Church, 109 Sixth St., Auburn. Two kinds of beans, brown bread, coleslaw, red and brown hot dogs, American chop suey, asst. desserts and beverages. \$6 adults, \$3 kids ages 5-12, free ages 5-. Take-out available.

Baked Bean Supper. 5 p.m. First Congregational Church, Route 115, Gray. Baked beans, casseroles, salads, homemade breads and desserts, beverages. \$8 (\$4 kids under 12). Wheelchair accessible. 657-4279; day of supper 657-3279.

Monday, May 28

Memorial Day 5K. 8 a.m. American Legion Post 135, Island Rd. (off Main St.), Sabattus. Registration is on-site only and begins at 7 a.m. Awards, raffles. \$15/10. Parade follows.

Tuesday, May 29

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 “Succession Planting.” Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

“Music for Mavis” Outdoor Concert. 6:30 p.m. Turner Gazebo, Village Green, Turner Center (rain location is the library across the green). This week’s performer is The Lee Stetson Duo (Rock, Country, Blues). Free, but a suggested “pass the hat”

donation of \$5 helps support the series. 754-0954.

Wednesday, May 30

Oasis of Music. 12:30 to 1 p.m. Trinity Church, 247 Bates St., Lewiston. The Midcoast High Winds Flute Choir performs classical and contemporary works. Free. 344-3106.

Friday, June 1

Theater: “Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep.” 7:30 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center, 16 Richville Rd., Standish. This play about the high school experience explores how we come to learn that no word is without consequence. Again 6/2-3 (Sun. at 2 p.m.). \$14/12. 642-3743; www.schoolhousearts.org.

Saturday, June 2

5K Walk-Run to End Domestic Violence. Bates College campus, Lewiston. Run or walk in this stroller- and dog-friendly event to support Safe Voices. For info, call 795-6744; to register, see RunSignUp.com.

Sunday, June 3

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-).

Tuesday, June 5

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 “Tomato Growing in Many Forms.” Bring appropriate clothing, water. Free. 513-3848.

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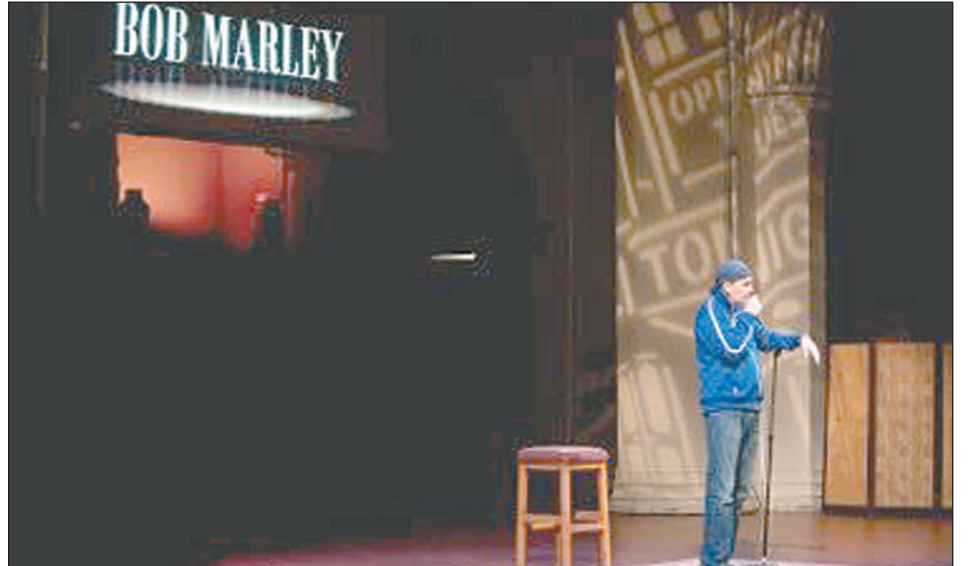


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What's Going On

Bob Marley returns to Franco Center May 18



One of the top comedians in America, Marley has made numerous sold-out appearances in the Franco Center's Performance Hall.

Comedian Bob Marley will return to the Gendron Franco Center on Friday, May 18 at 8 p.m. One of the top comedians in America, Marley has performed numerous sold-out shows in the center's Performance Hall over the years.

Marley remains one of the hottest and most sought-after comedians in the country. He has been featured in his own special on Comedy Central and is one of the few comics to do the complete late-night

TV circuit with David Letterman, Jay Leno, Conan O'Brien, and Craig Ferguson. The peripatetic Marley works nonstop throughout the country in such cities as Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Washington D.C., Boston, and New York.

"It's always a pleasure to welcome Bob back to do his very popular performance at the center, and tickets are selling quickly," said Franco Center executive director Mitch Thomas. "We're looking forward

to seeing him do his 'Uncle Bobby Live' show this year." Doors will open for happy hour at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$27.50 each. For more information or to buy tickets, visit the Box Office Monday through Friday from noon to 4 p.m., call 689-2000, or see franco-center.org.

The Franco Center is wheelchair accessible and is located on the corner of Cedar and Oxford Streets in the "Little Canada" section of Lewiston.

City seeks vendors for Auburn Farmer's Market

The City of Auburn is seeking vendors for the 2018 season of the Auburn Farmer's Market. The market will be held on Tuesdays, June 5 through October 2, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the parking lot of Rolly's Diner at 87 Mill Street in New Auburn. Participating vendors will need to provide appropriate insurance, permits, and licensure. For more information, contact Auburn Farmer's Market coordinator Kathy Shaw at 320-1969 or Sabrina Best at sbest@auburnmaine.gov.



Morse Library plans Spring Plant Swap & Sale

Morse Memorial Library in Greene will host a Spring Plant Swap and Sale on Saturday, May 19, from 9 a.m. to noon. Local plant lovers are invited to stop by with their plants, cuttings, transplants, seeds, or bulbs to exchange with others. It's simple - bring a plant, take a plant; the more you bring, the more you can take home. Please bring plants that are healthy and label them with their common name. If you need pots or containers, check with the library in

advance; they have a limited supply.

If you don't have plants to swap, Lil's Family Greenhouse will be there selling a variety of plants, and visitors are invited to browse the library's collection of gardening, landscaping, and home improvement books.

Don't miss this opportunity to meet and share ideas with fellow gardeners and plant lovers while exchanging plants you don't need for ones that will live

up your yard and home this summer and fall. This is a rain or shine event; if the weather is rainy or iffy, the swap will take place indoors.

Morse Library is located at 105 Main Street in Greene Village, just off Route 202 and a quarter mile down from Greene Central School. For more information, call 946-5544, find them on Facebook, or see www.morse.lib.me.us.

Mattress

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Curtain time on Friday and Saturday evening is 7 p.m., while Saturday

and Sunday matinees begin at 2 p.m. Schoolhouse Arts Center is located at 16 Richville Road in Standish. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors,

or \$5 for those ages four and under. To buy tickets, see www.schoolhousearts.org. For more information, call 642-3743 or email schoolhousearts@gmail.com.