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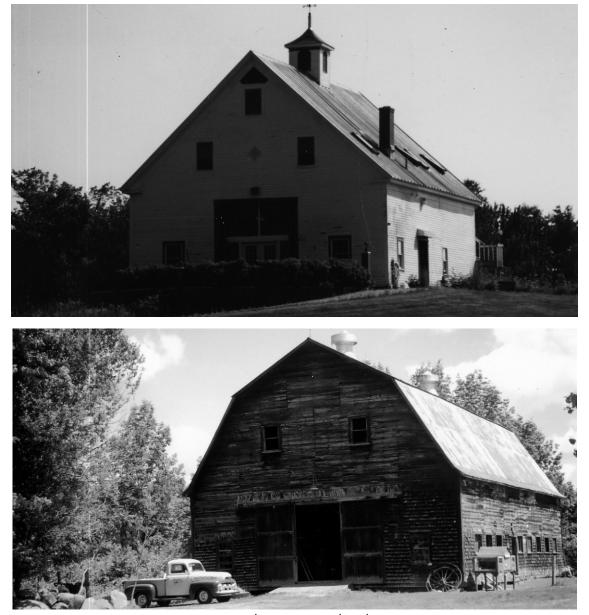
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Yet, it is a rare visitor to a barn who fails to pause in admiration of the history and of the work ethic barns represent. Looking up, there is usually an immense sensation of space. There may be hand hewn beams with bark still stuck to them from decades ago. There may be a hay hook on a runner at the peak of the ceiling which grasped piles of loose hay that were stacked 3 or 4 stories high. There may be thick wooden pegs holding the posts and beams together. There will be memories of happy visits to farms through the years.

Looking around, there may be rough boards, exceptionally wide and uneven in size but straight and true and well fit together. Under foot, the floor planks are thick and may be buckled from holding heavy loads where immense doorways could accommodate a loaded hay wagon pulled by a team of horses or oxen. If the barn sheltered cows, old wooden stanchions may still be standing. There is a wish to share this nos-

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Friends of the Belgrade Public Library **5K Road Race**



The Friends of the Belgrade Public Library will host their 7th annual Friends of L the Belgrade Public Library 5K Road Race on Saturday, July 30 at 8:00 a.m. This is one of several events sponsored by 'The Friends' to raise funds to support and maintain the operation of The Belgrade Public Library. The race will start and finish at the Belgrade Public Library, and entrants can choose to walk, run, or jog the course.

This will be the 3rd year featuring The Summer Camp Challenge. Last year we had camp participants from Camp Caribou, Camp Matoaka, and Camp Runoia. A special 'Camp Award' will go to the winning camp of the Summer Camp Challenge. This year we added The Summer Gym Challenge and have invited all area gyms to send representatives to participate in the 5K Road Race



Race day registration takes place at Belgrade Central School beginning at 7:00 a.m. with the race starting at 8:00 a.m. Race day registration fee is \$20.00. Pre-race registration fee is \$15.00 and is available at RunReg.com, www.belgrade.lib.me.us www.friendsofbelor gradepubliclibrary.com . Awards will be presented to the overall male and female winners and to the top two finishers in each age category.

For further information please contact John House, race director, at 465-3524.

See you on race day.







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-The Luckiest Boy-

The Kitchen Table Boat

by Rod Johnson

in my 60 plus years of fiddling with boats on Great Pond, a few come to I mind that might be considered odd, weird, silly, stupid—whatever. Of these odd balls, so to speak, one in particular comes to mind that does top the list.

Once again, my friend Ralph Pope is not only involved, but he built the darn thing at the age of 12, after having seen some version of it in Popular Mechanics magazine---. Theoretically it was a father-son winter project that took place in the basement of his parents' home back in Braintree, Mass. The boat arrived in Belgrade Lakes at the family camp known as Loon Lodge, on camp opening weekend in May of 1960. Dad Everett and Ralph had managed to keep the craft tied onto the roof of a 1959 T-bird hardtop all the way up the Maine Pike.

Let me tell you about this boat, though none of the old timer guides that were still around gave it much credence as such. The craft was essentially made from two sheets of 4x8x1/2" marine plywood that sandwiched a perimeter of 2x6 inch framing. Ralph had made it such that the front end turned up slightly and a piece of 2x12 inch framing stuck up in the rear and acted as an outboard motor bracket. After much ado the new craft got slid off the dock. It did actually float and would hold at least two teenage boys. Grampa Pope's 7.5 horsepower Johnson outboard was "borrowed" from the Old Town lapstrake and placed on the motor bracket. Low and behold, the craft would actually get up and plane out, giving a fun but scary ride across the cove. As the summer went on there were additions of accessories such as a steering wheel from an old guide boat, some lines from the bow so we boys could stand up, hold on and ride the thing like an old tow-behind surf board. Screwed to the bow like a hood ornament was a small marble bust of Lord Byron-that may have been liberated from the old town library. One day the plot thickened: when Dave Webster asked Ralph if he wanted a larger motor. Dave offered us an old 16 horsepower Johnson that was stored in the Mahaffey boathouse down on Point Road. Well, of course he (we) wanted it. Faster was better. After a couple of days of tinkering with the points and cleaning the old gas out of the carb and installing some new spark plugs, it was placed upon the tipsy craft. The stern sat very low in the water and required one boy to



2×6 sides Plywoop Bottom Rough Sketch of the Kitchen TABLE BOAT

Sketch of tun little boat you can make.

stand on the front when the motor was started. By now, the craft had been seen all around the lake and became known as The Kitchen Table. It was indeed quite a sight for everyone to see and also every teenager to get a ride on. The speed was well into the 20s and required much vigilance to not hit waves directly on. If the driver misjudged an oncoming wave, the craft would dive under the waves and completely submerge leaving its occupants afloat. After a few seconds the boat would see-saw itself out of the wave's leftover wash, motor stalled. We would climb aboard again, fire up the old behemoth outboard and take off. The motor got submerged so many times it finally gave up the ghost and became part of our History-along with the old Chris Craft, Champion, Johnson and Evinrude motors that met similar fates. THE END

Author's notes: See attached sketch if you'd care to make a craft just like The Kitchen Table, you'll never regret it! Stay tuned, more stories in the offing about other boats and the characters that ran them over 50 years ago.



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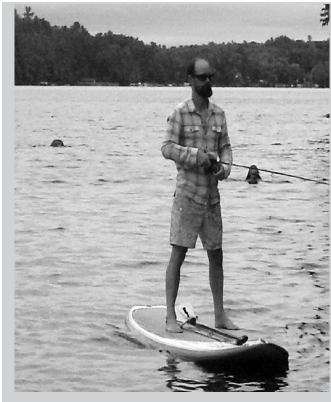
Take It Outside -

The week began with a little much needed rain and ended hot and humid. I got some fishing in, a little sailing, a couple of hikes, and got to watch a couple of new loon chicks that were born in a nest I helped build, learning to swim. On one of my fishing trips I met a man named Stuart from Durham, NH. He was renting a camp on Long Pond for the week with his family. When I met him, he was on his standup paddleboard with two fishing poles casting to the shoreline. To top it off, he had his two preteen kids snorkeling nearby, scouting for fish to cast to. Check out the picture below. Everyone was having a good time and he told me they had enjoyed the whole week and would likely be back next year. I also met a young man named Sam, from Davis, CA, who was visiting friends in ME. He was fishing with his dad from a canoe near my dock and caught a chain pickerel about a foot long, his first Maine fish. As the picture below proves, it's not the size of the fish in the picture that counts but the size of the grin on the kid that caught it.

I also spent a fair amount of time hiking, especially on French Mountain. On Wednesday, Mel Croft and I led a combined geology/successional ecology hike sponsored by the Belgrade Lakes Association. We had about ten people, including Steve and Ann Smith (and dog) from Great Pond, Evelyn Fowler from Tracy Cove, Zach Smith from the Boston Latin School, Andy Cook, a couple of grandmothers and at least one grandson, who learned how the glaciers sculpted the landscape over the past two million years, and how the bare granite and melted ice water evolved over the past 15,000 years to become the lakes and forest we have today. On Friday morning the BRCA Stewardship committee held a trail work day under the direction of Toni Pied, Stewardship Director. I was on the crew at French Mountain repairing some of the damage from the fire we had in May and subsequent firefighting efforts that brought heavy machinery and pumps up trails meant for hikers on foot. That crew included Toni, Chip Ridsky, Dave Turcotte, and myself. We repaired some of the steps, cleaned water bars and reblazed the trail. These trails don't take care of themselves and a lot of people put in a lot of time trying to make the trails safe and enjoyable for everyone. If you would like to help out with this effort, please call Toni Pied at the BRCA (495-6039) and get on the list to be notified of the next work day. It is a lot of fun and you will meet some interesting people and make new friends.

Out of Town Visitors Abound

by Pete Kallin



Stuart with his kids in the water searching for fish



Sam with a chain pickerel.





Mel Croft explaining ice ages and glaciers on top French Mountain

Steve and dog.



While we were working on the trail, my friend, Ed Charles of Rome showed up with his in this area. Now that school's out, it's easy to extended family, including a sister from PA, a brother from MD, and assorted in-laws, nieces,



Ed Charles with his extended family ready to head up French Mountain.

tiful day.

This is a perfect time to enjoy the outdoors take a kid fishing or on a hike, or paddling in a canoe. French Mountain is a great place to

and nephews. They had a great hike on a beau- introduce kids to hiking. It's an easy hike (about a mile) with spectacular views of Long Pond, Great Pond, Whittier Pond, Mt Philip, and North Pond from the top. You won't be sorry.

July 22 - July 29, 2016

Calendar Directory

TOWN BY TOWN...

GREAT VISITS, AWESOME OUTINGS – ART, MUSIC, CULTURE, HISTO-RY, RECREATION, FARMERS' MARKETS, TRAILS, SCENIC SITES, AND MORE...

AUGUSTA

• Viles Arboretum, 224 acres with 6 miles of year round walking trails, including art and sculpture trail, open dawn to dusk, Visitor Center open Monday-Friday, 9 am-4 pm, admission free, 626-7989, *www.vilesarboretum.org*, 153 Hospital Street

Farmers' Market at the Arboretum, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm
Art in the Capitol, Maine Arts Commission monthly self-

guided exhibits in State House hallways (Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm), Blaine House (call for times), and Maine Arts Commission Office (8:30am-4:30 pm), 287-6746, *mainearts.maine.gov*

• Children's Discovery Museum, CDM, hands-on displays, activities, Tuesday-Thursday 10 am-4 pm, Friday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 11 am-4 pm, admission, 622-2209, *www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org*, 171 Capitol Street

• Danforth Gallery, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234, www.uma.edu

• Governor's Mansion, 1830 Blaine House, Tuesday-Thursday 2-4 pm, 287-2121, *www.blainehouse.org*, State Street

• Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine, Michael Klahr Center, Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm, 621-3530, www.hhrc.uma.edu, University of Maine at Augusta, off Route 27

• Kennebec Historical Society, Wednesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, *www.kennebechistorical.org*, 107 Winthrop Street

• Maine State Museum, Tuesday-Friday 9 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, \$2 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, 287-2301, www.mainestatemuseum.org

• Maine State House, Hall of Flags, House and Senate Rooms, Klir Beck dioramas, Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm, book tours at Maine State Museum, walk-ins welcome 9 am-1 pm, 287-5600, www.maine.gov, State Street

• Maine State Library, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/, State Street

• Museum in the Streets, walking/history tour, *www.augusta-maine.gov*, Water Street/downtown.

• Old Fort Western, 1754 fort, house, store, 1-4 pm daily, admission \$6, 4-14 years \$4, 626-2385, *www.oldfortwestern.org*, Cony Street

• **Riverfront Park**, boat launch, Greenway Trail, playground, eastside Kennebec River

Kennebec River Rail Trailhead, Maine State Housing Authority parking lot, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, Water Street
University of Maine at Augusta Fitness Trail, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center, Route 27

• Farmers' Market at Mill Park, Tuesday 2-6 pm, 626-2305, www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/, North Water Street

• Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall, 549-5112, Wednesday

Post Office, Main St.

- The Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, pool and lakefront, gym, playground, picnic area, rec programs, 495-3481, *www.belgrademaine.com*, 1 Center Drive
- Union Church Coffee House, check for schedule, 7:30 pm,
- \$5, 495-3599, www.unionchurchmaine.org, Main Street
- Belgrade Historical Society, 495-2973,
- belgradehistoricalsociety.org
- Belgrade Lakes Market, Sun 8 am-1 pm, Main Street
- Peninsula Park on Long Pond, picnic tables, Main Street
- Maine Lakes Resource Center, 512-5150,

www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org, 137 Main Street

FAIRFIELD

• Fairfield Historical Society, 1890 Cotton-Smith History House, every Tuesday 9 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm and second Saturday of month, 453-2998,

www.fairfieldmehistoricalsociety.net, 42 High Street

• Farmers' Market, 948-5724, Wednesday 2-6 pm, Saturday

9:30 am-1:30 pm, Nazarene Church parking lot, 81 Main Street

FARMINGTON

• Farmington Historical Society, Titcomb House Museum, 778-4275, Wednesday and Saturday, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, *www.farmingtonhistory.org*, 118 Academy Street

• Nordica Homestead Museum, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-12 noon and 1-5 pm, Sunday 1-5 pm,

www.lilliannordica.com, 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Road
Contra Dance, 491-9928, www.starleft.org 2nd Saturday of

the month, all welcome, 6:30-7:30 pm family dance, 8-11 pm regular dance, admission, Grange Hall, Bridge Street, Route 43, West Farmington

• University of Maine campus and Arboretum, four walking tours with informal guide pamphlet to campus trees, 581-1541, *www.umaine.edu/arboretum/*, downtown

• Farmers' Market, 778-6602, Friday 9 am-2 pm, Better Living Center parking lot, Front Street; Saturday 8 am-12 noon, Main Street

• Meetinghouse Park and Gazebo, weekly concerts throughout summer, downtown

• Fairgrounds, events throughout summer, Franklin County Fair in September, High Street

GARDINER

• Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press, Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, 582-6600, *www.theartdogs.com*, 275-277 Water Street

• Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center, 582-7144, www.johnsonhall.org 280 Water Street

• Monkitree, art exhibits, 512-4679, www.monkitree.com,

Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-6 pm, 263 Water Street

- SpinOff Studio, 588-7297, *spinoffstudio.org*, Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 405 Water Street
- Farmers' Market, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org,
- Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common

Greene

• Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, free entertainment programs, monthly - Friday 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, *www.sawyerfoundation.com*, 371 Sawyer Road, off Route 202

HALLOWELL

- Harlow Gallery, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813,
- www.harlowgallery.org Wed- Sat, 12-6 pm, 160 Water Street
 Gaslight Theater, 626-3698, www.gaslighttheater.org City Hall,
- 1 Winthrop Street

• Museum in the Streets, history/walking tour, www.historichallowell.org, downtown

• Farmers' Market, 622-1350, Sun 3-6 pm, Water Street

• Vaughn Woods and Homestead, 166 acre park/trails/homestead, Middle Street

• Kennebec River Rail Trail, *www.krrt.org*, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street

• Waterfront Park, deck/walkway on Kennebec River, North Water Street

HINCKLEY

• L.C. Bates Museum at Good Will-Hinckley School, early 20th century natural history and cultural exhibits, nature trails and camps, adults \$3, up to 17 years \$1, 238-4250, *www.gwh.org* Wednesday-Saturday 10 am-4:30 pm, Sunday 1-4:30 pm, Route 201

KINGFIELD

• Ski Museum of Maine, 265-2023, *www.skimusuemofmaine.org*, 256 Main Street

• Stanley Museum, 265-2729, *wwwstanleymuseum.org*, memorabilia/displays on photographs, violins and Stanley Steamers, Tuesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 40 School Street

LIVERMORE

• Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, 18th-19th century mansion/farmstead/schoolhouse, library, chapel, 897-4366, *www.norlands.org*, admission, living history tours Tuesday and Thursday 1-4 pm, 290 Norlands Road

MADISON

Lakewood Theater, Maine's Summer Theater, Young Performers Camp, 474-7176, www.lakewoodtheater.org, Route 201
Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, 474-9345, www.skowheganart.org, summer evening artists lecture series, East Madison Road

MONMOUTH

• Monmouth Museum, local and regional Maine history, Wednesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 933-2287, *www.monmouthmuseuminc.org*, 751 Main Street

• The Theater At Monmouth, The Shakespeare Theater of Maine, Cumston Hall, 933-9999, *www.theateratmonmouth.org*, Main Street

MOUNT VERNON

• D.E.W Animal Kingdom, Zoo, 293-2837, 918 Pond Rd, Route

and Saturday 10 am-1 pm, Western Avenue

Belgrade Lakes

• Belgrade Lakes Market, 320-8303, careybor@yahoo.com, Sunday 8 am-1 pm, Main Street

• Great Pond Mailboat, 592-1537, Monday-Saturday 10 am,

Kennebec River Rail Trail, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, access near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta
Waterfront Park, picnicking, events throughout summer,

Kennebec River

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• Villages Market, farmers/crafters, Saturday 10 am-2 pm (start end of June), next to Flying Pond Store, *sharihamilton@gmail.com*, Route 41



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NEW PORTLAND

 Nowetah's American Indian Museum and Craft Shop, 628-4981, www.nowetahs.webs.com/, daily 10 am-5 pm, free, 628-4981, 2 Colegrove Road, Route 27

• Wire Bridge, 1864, probably only wire suspension bridge in U.S., off Route 27

NEW SHARON

• Farmers' Market, Saturday 9 am-1 pm, Douin's Market, 491-9025, 150 Mercer Road, Routes 2/27

• New Sharon Historical Society, Saturday 1-3, 778-4167, Routes 2/27

NORRIDGEWOCK

 Norridgewock Historical Society Museum, 1838 building, Saturday 10 am-1 pm, 634-5032,

www.norridgewockmuseum.com, Mercer Road, Route 2

• Oosoola Park, picnic area, great playground, boat launch, on Kennebec River, Route 8

OAKLAND

 Macartney House Museum, Oakland Area Historical Society, 465-7549, Wednesday 1:30-4:30 pm, 1815 home with antique furnishings and Oakland artifacts, 25 Main Street

• Town Parks, playground, picnic tables, swimming area, boat launch area, Belgrade Road on Lake Messalonskee and McGrath Pond Road on McGrath Lake

• Farmer's Market, Friday 2-6 pm, 465-3094, Pine Acres Parking Lot, 895 Kennedy Memorial Drive

READFIELD

• Readfield Historical Society and Museum in 1853 schoolhouse, 685-4662, www.readfieldhistorical.org, Thursday and Saturday 10 am-2 pm or by appointment, Route 17, Readfield Depot

Rome

• Mt. Philip Grange, suppers 3rd Sat of month, 4:30-6 pm, all you can eat beans, cornbread, rolls, chop suey, pies, Routes 135/225

• Trails: Mount Philip, Route 225; The Mountain, Route 27; French's Mountain and Kennebec Highlands, Watson Pond

Road; for information call 495-6039 or visit www.belgradelakes.org; maps available at BRCA, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes

SIDNEY

• New England Music Camp, concerts free and open to the public, Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, www.nemusiccamp.com, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23

• Sidney Historical Society, 724-8032, www.sidneyhistoricalso*ciety.org*, 2986 Middle Road

• Silver Spur Riding Club, horse shows, River Road, Route 104

SKOWHEGAN

• Margaret Chase Smith Library, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, www.mcslibrary.org, free, Monday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm, 54 Norridgewock Ave.

events, covered arena, Skowhegan State Fair in August, 474-3621, Madison Avenue, Route 201

• Farmers' Market, Wednesday 3-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-1 pm, weekly entertainment, 938-3906, Somerset Gristmill parking lot, downtown

SMITHFIELD

• Fairview Grange, 362-2791, Route 8

- Smithfield History Society "The Groves House," 634-4392, 21 Lakeview Drive
- Sunbeam Roller Rink, 362-4951, 830 Village Rd, Route 8
- Sunset Camps, public beach, 362-2611, www.sunsetcamps.com, 834 Village Road, Route 8

UNITY

• Unity College Centre for the Performing Arts, folk genre music, 568-3147, www.unitymaine.org, 42 Depot Street

WATERVILLE

• Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT), 873-7000, www.acattheatre.org. Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main Street • Museum in the Streets, downtown history/walking tour, www.themuseuminthestreets.com/waterville.htm

 Head of Falls Park/Two Cent Bridge, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River connecting Waterville and Winslow, Front Street

• Common Street Arts, 872-2787, www.commonstreetarts.org,

Wednesday-Saturday 12-6 pm, 16 Common Street

Colby College Museum of Art, 859-5600,

www.colby.edu/museum/Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 12-5 pm, free admission, Colby College Campus, Mayflower Hill

• Colby College Special Collections, Miller Library, Monday-Friday 10 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm, free admission

Thomas College Art Gallery, 180 West River Road

• Waterville Historical Society and Redington Museum, 1814 home and pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tuesday-Saturday tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver Street

 Waterville Opera House, 873-7000, www.operahouse.com, 93 Main Street

• Farmers' Market, Thursday 2-6 pm, 680-2055, www.watervillefarmersmarket.org, The Concourse parking lot

WAYNE

• Farmers' Market, 685-4657,

http://waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com, Saturday 9 am-noon, Town Green, at the Mill Pond, Main Street

WILTON

• Wilton Farm & Home Museum, 645-2091, 645-4578, www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org, Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

WINSLOW

• Fort Halifax on the Kennebec River, historic fort tower, park, Route 201



The Dams Keeper Report

s of this writing both Great and Long Ponds $oldsymbol{A}$ are starting to show evidence of the relatively dry conditions we're experiencing this summer.

Great Pond is 3.84" below full pond with Gate 1 now opened just 2-3" to offer a little bit of current in the stream.

Long Pond at the Wings Mill dam is now 1.44" below full for the first time this year with upper Long Pond, nine miles to the North, presently right at full pond with both Wings Mill gates still completely closed. So far so good considering the lack of precipitation! But that may change with tonite's forecast of 1/10" to 1/4" of rain with heavy rain possible. It's always nice when it rains for us at night and leaves the days sunny and mild! Normally we can do without the heavy rain and resultant run-off but we'll take whatever we can get! 1/4" of rain will bring Long Pond up 3/4" and Great Pond up 1/2" which isn't a lot but will be beneficial.

Enjoy this beautiful summer, weather and your vacation!

Dick Greenan

Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee



Barns; see page 1 for more.

Additions/Updates/Corrections: Please contact Summertime in the Belgrades,

• History House Museum, 1800s local history and culture, heirloom gardens, free, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am-4 pm, 474-6632, www.skowheganhistoryhouse.org, 66 Elm Street • Fairgrounds, weekly horse shows/competitions, free public

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Calendar —

Thursday 7/21 and Friday 7/22 – "Henry V," by William Shakespeare, preview – Thursday, opening – Friday, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Thursday 7/21 through Sunday 7/24 – Pittston Fair, small family-oriented country fair, pulling events, Strawberry Festival, Historical Museum, exhibits, pig scramble, midway, fireworks, bicycle giveaway, fry pan toss, whoopee pie contest, 582-8861, www.pittstonfair.com, Pittston.

Thursday 7/21 through Sunday 7/24 – "Young Frankenstein," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Friday 7/22 and Saturday 7/23 - Farmington Summer Fest, featuring the Great Float Race, a Talent Show, a Bed Race, food, fun, sales, 491-5533, downtown Farmington.

Friday 7/22 through Sunday 7/24 - OakFest, three-day celebration of community, with sales, food, music, a parade, triathlon, www.oakfestmaine.com, downtown Oakland.

Friday 7/22 - The Max Ater Band, Singer/songwriter Max Ater and his father, Maine comedian Johnny Ater, free admission, 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

Friday 7/22 - Atlantic Music Festival, Chamber Music, free admission, 7 pm, 888-704-1311, Given Auditorium, Colby College, Waterville.

Friday 7/22 - New England Music Camp Recital, free and open to the public, 7 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, Route 23, Sidney.

Friday 7/22 - The Bookey Readings at the Harlow, 4 poets, public invited, refreshments

served, \$3 donation, 7 pm, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, Water Street, Hallowell.

Saturday 7/23 - "Give My Regards To Broadway," Teen, Tech and Tour production, 10 am, 4745-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Saturday 7/23 – "Puss in Boots," family show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Saturday 7/23 - Open House, tours, 1-5 pm, Travis Mills Foundation "Maine Chance," former Elizabeth Arden estate, Mount Vernon.

Saturday 7/23 – New England Music Camp concert at "Bowl in the Pines," open to the public, free of charge, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/23 - Atlantic Music Festival, Orchestra Concert, 7 pm, free admission, public welcome, 859-4353, Colby College, Waterville.

Saturday 7/23 - "The Barber of Seville," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Saturday 7/23 - Contra Dance, live music with Bien Sur, calling by John McIntire, all dances taught, no partners necessary, great dance hall atmosphere, \$7, family max \$20, 7:30-9 pm, 399-8454, Canaan Farmers Hall, 296 Main Street, Route 2, Canaan Village.

Sunday 7/24 – Open Farm Day, farms to visit throughout the state, demonstrations, displays, products for sale, petting zoos, nature trails, milking, barn and property tours, beautiful scenery, samples and refreshments, 9 am-4 pm (times vary), www.getrealmaine.com

Sunday 7/24 - Dock Hop, Friends of Messalonskee will have boats going dock to dock to inform lake property owners of programs and activities, 465-4622, Oakland, Belgrade, Sidney.

Sunday 7/24 - "Cyrano de Bergerac," 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/24 – Simons & Goodwin, Summer Concert at Norcross Point, free and open to the public, 2-4 pm, Norcross Point, Winthrop.

Sunday 7/24 - New England Music Camp Student Concert at "Bowl in the Pines," rain or shine, free to the public, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, Route 23, Sidney.

Sunday 7/24 – "Barbie Demo Sing-a-Long," Coburn Park Concert, 5-6:15 pm, free, 474-0527, Philbrick Gazebo, Coburn Park, Water Street, Route 2, Skowhegan.

Sunday 7/24 – "Love's Labour's Lost," by William Shakespeare, 7 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Monday 7/25 - Auditions for "Young Frankenstein," 6:30 pm, 873-7000, Dance Studio, Waterville Opera House, 93 Main Street, Waterville.

Tuesday 7/26 - Science of Sport, Luc Roy, Summer Reading Program, 1 pm, 465-7533, Oakland Public Library, 18 Church Street, Oakland.

Tuesday 7/26 - Chewonki "Animal Fitness" program world record-holding animals, Chewonki will present three of them, free and open to the public, 10-11 am, 495-3508, Belgrade Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/26 - Quarry Road Summer Race Series, makeup or course previews, 6 pm, fun run for youth 12 and under 5:30 pm, all proceeds to benefit the Boys and Girls Club and YMCA of Greater Waterville, http://www.quarryroadraces.com, Quarry Road Trails, Waterville.

Tuesday 7/26 – Rock-on-the-River Concert,

7-8:30 pm, Riverfront, Water Street North, Hallowell.

Wednesday 7/27 – Art Afternoon, 1 pm, mini workshops exploring watercolors, pencils, collage, charcoal, etc., inspired by the museum collections and guided by a museum staff member, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Wednesday 7/27 - Happy Birthday Museum Building, 113!, tour the building and hear stories of the beginnings, 1 pm, 238-4250, l.c. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Wednesday 7/27 – Public supper, turkey pie, beverage, homemade dessert, \$8 adults, \$4 under 10, Fairview Grange, Route 8, Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/27 – Waterfront Concert Series, 6 pm, 626-2352, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/27 - The Presidents Return!, Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance President Mel Croft and Maine Lakes Society President Pete Kallin, a presentation back in time through ice ages, mountain formation and beyond, 7 pm, 495-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Wednesday 7/27 through Saturday 7/30 -"Young Frankenstein," 474-7176, Lakewood Theatre, Route 201, Madison.

Wednesday 7/27 - New England Music Camp Recital, open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 7 pm, 844-476-6976, Alumni Hall, Route 23, Sidney.

Thursday 7/28 - Waterville Rocks! Concert Series, 5-9 pm, 680-2055, Castonguay Square, Main Street, Waterville.

Thursday 7/28 and Friday 7/29 Kneading Conference and **Saturday 7/30** Maine Artisan Bread Fair, to preserve and promote grain traditions from earth to hearth, www.mainegrainalliance.com, Bread Fair at Skowhegan State Fairgrounds, Route



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Thursday 7/28 through Saturday 7/30 - Vienna Historical Society 34th consecutive annual plays, "Elvi's Tea Leaves" by Beverly Wight Smith, set in 1920s Vienna and "Lakeside Whodunit" adapted by Cheryl Herr-Rains from a 1919 play, 7 pm each evening and 2 pm Saturday, \$6, Union Hall, off Route 41, Vienna.

Thursday 7/28 and Friday 7/29 - "The Illusion," by Pierre Corneille, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Friends of the Belgrade Public Library present: Britannica Acoustic Duo

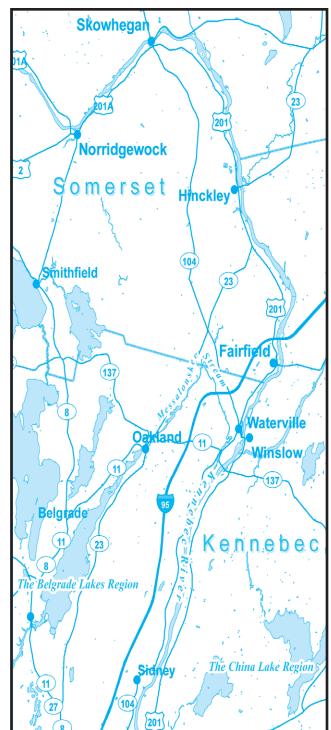
Britannica Acoustic Duo (Ted and Pete) are returning to Belgrade for their 4th Annual concert at the Center for All Seasons on Route 27 in Belgrade Lakes on Friday, August 5, 2016. The duo plays British Rock music from the Beatles, Rolling Stones, the Kinks and others. They have earned many standing ovations from the audiences in Belgrade in their past 3 shows, and this one is sure to be the same! The show starts at 7 P.M. at the Center and ticket prices are \$12 for adults, \$6 for ages 6-16 and ages 5 and under are free. Refreshments will be available and there will be a 50/50 raffle. Tickets will be sold at the door only.

In addition to their Britannica Acoustic Duo performances, both Ted and Pete have other projects going which are further advancing their careers. Originally much of their performances were in the Boston area, but both are branching out into the New England area.

Ted Solovicos, in his earlier rock scene years, had a popular band called Smuggler in the Boston area where at one event he outdrew Bon Jovi at the Paradise Theater. Ted currently has 3 original CD's and has assisted and will again assist Dana-Farber in fundraising efforts in August. He is collaborating with singer Rosemarie Rose in making CD's and they will perform together in the New England area in the near future.

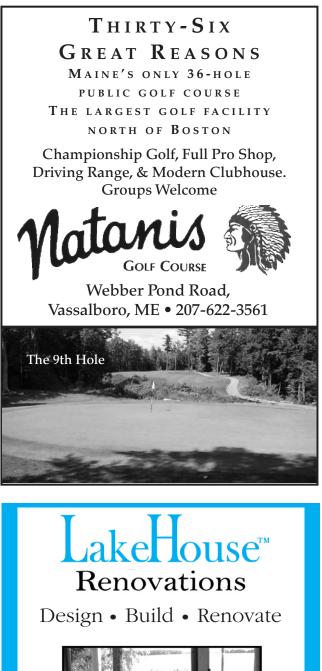
Peter Tintendo is a professional guitarist, vocalist, keyboardist and recording artist. He also finds time to write, teach and produce music. His most current venture is called Venus Mars Project, a

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pop/rock band he formed with singer/songwriter Jacyn Tremblay. Since they began collaborating they have released four singles, two videos and recently had the honor of opening for the legendary Jacksons on their 50th Anniversary Tour. They will also be performing in the New England area soon.

For more information or questions you may contact Joan at 207-242-9408 or Judy at 495-2101. We hope to see you at the Center for All Seasons on Friday, August 5th at 7 p.m.





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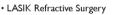


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Upcoming -

JULY

• Skowhegan Fairgrounds is the site of the Kneading Conference on July 28 and 29 and the Artisan Bread Fair on July 30. 276-0545

• Maine-ly Harmony women's barbershop singers will hold its annual fundraiser yard sale on Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31, 9 am-3 pm at Davis Hill Gardens, Route 3, Palermo. 582-5523

• Jazz Under The Stars featuring the Al Corey Band will be presented on Saturday, July 30 at the Snow Pond Center for the Arts in Sidney. 844-476-6976

AUGUST

• Mercer Old Home Days, August 5 at 7 pm to August 7 at 3 pm, will celebrate 80 years with a parade, kids' activities, lobster, a show, a dance and more. 587-2225

• Celebrate in Belgrade Lakes with the annual Bean Hole Bean Supper put on by Belgrade Fire/Rescue and the Loon Calling Contest on Saturday, August 6. The supper starts at 5 pm; loon calling registration 6:30, contest at 7 pm. Soloist Paige Rice will entertain before the Loon Calling. 495-3312

• The Taste of Greater Waterville presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce will be Wednesday, August 3, featuring sit-down dining in downtown Waterville. 873-3315

 ArtWalk Gardiner, featuring open galleries and in-store exhibits, will be Friday, August 5, 5:30-8 pm.

 Discover Maine Made treasures at the Belgrade Lakeside Artisan Show, Sunday, August 7, 9 am-3 pm at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons. 495-3481

 Adult Music Camp will be held August 22-28 at New England Music Camp in Sidney. 465-3025

 Maine Farm Days, free and open to the public, will be held August 24 and 25, 9 am-4 pm at Misty Meadows Farm in Clinton. mainefarmdays.com

• The 47th Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival will take place August 24-27 at the Litchfield Fairgrounds. 873-6539

SEPTEMBER

• Main Street Skowhegan will host the first annual Skowhegan Craft Brew Festival on Saturday, September 3, 2-7 pm, on Water Street. 612-2571

• Literacy Volunteers-Waterville Area is holding a 3-day tutor training workshop on September 22, 27 and 29, 5:30-8 pm, Educare, Waterville. 465-9488







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Conservation Too -

s Dale Finseth pointed out last week, Maine is Ahost to many "bad", that is to say invasiveplants. These plants displace native flora, thus eliminating the natural food and cover for our wildlife and ultimately threatening rare species of both animals and plants. The State of Maine has an excellent program to deal with aquatic invasives, and has successfully removed several bodies of water from its list of those contaminated with invasive plants. We are a little behind in recognizing, removing, and preventing the spread and introduction of terrestrial invasive plants. However, that is being remedied by folks like Nancy Olmstead, Invasive Plant Biologist with the Maine Natural Areas Program of the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry [DACF]. We can all help Nancy and eradicate bad plants, especially on our own property. There are several steps to this plan, the first of which is to identify the plants that you have. Many are easy to spot once your eye has learned the characteristics of the plants. Nancy has identified 13 plants that are especially problematic in Maine; Dale mentioned half of them in last week's column. Some others include Norway Maple, Yellow Iris, Shrubby Honeysuckle, Burning Bush, Purple Loosestrife, and Ornamental Jewelweed. Common Reed, or Phragmites australis, is becoming a problem in wetland areas. Unlike the native Phragmites americanus this reed forms dense stands that do not allow nesting. Become familiar with some of these plants, and walk your property with an eye towards identifying unwanted invaders.

Many "bad plants," such as Garlic Mustard and Japanese Honeysuckle, were deliberately introduced to our state when they were planted in gardens or used for landscaping. Unfortunately, some of the traits that made these plants popular, such as ease of propagation or attraction to birds, also allows them to naturalize easily and invade our unwary soil. There is work afoot (thanks to Nancy and others) to establish a "Do Not Sell" list for Maine nurseries, in order to halt the introduction

"More on those BAD PLANTS"

Guest article by Catherine Perham, NRCS



Phragmites australis or Common Reed like those seen in front of 99 Restaurant on Route 27.

of noxious species by unwary consumers. Most of us just assume that exotic invasives are not for sale in the local garden center, but to date this is not true. Ask for native species when you buy.

You don't have to eradicate your invasive plants alone! Both the NRCS & Kennebec SWCD are concerned about invasive plants and animals that are tect water quality. Managing invasive plants is threatening to overrun our state's natural ecosystems and they can help you. The NRCS just sponsored an Invasive Terrestrial Plants seminar with Nancy Olmstead. Check the NRCS website: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/ma in/national/plantsanimals/invasive/ in order to learn more. The NRCS has helped treat 20 million acres since 2008. If you have questions, contact the Augusta Service Center and we may be able to provide assistance.

How can you get rid of an invasive plant infestation? There are a lot of answers to this, depending on what you find. Now is a good time to walk your property, preferably with a plant expert, as plants are in full growth and perhaps even in flower or fruit, both of which make the plant easier to identify for the amateur. Wear gloves if you want to pull the plants as you find them. Some of them, like Rosa multiflora, are armed! If you throw the plants into a black plastic garbage bag, you can place the whole mess in the sun and the heat or solarization will cook the plants and their seeds until they are no longer viable. The more woody the plants, the longer this process takes. The resulting gunk can theoretically be used as compost but you may be happier disposing of it. For most invasive plants, burning is also an acceptable non-chemical method of destruction. If you do this make sure to get a burn permit. No marshmallows if you are

burning a toxic plant such as Woody Nightshade! You can find rental goats who willingly eat many invasives, including Japanese knotweed. If you decide to use chemicals, please consult an expert and mind that nothing runs or drifts into our lakes and streams!

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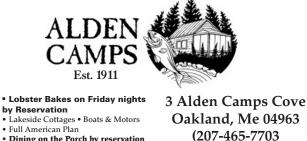


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VLMP Annual Meeting

• The 2016 VLMP Annual Lake Monitoring Conference will take place on Saturday, July 30 at The Great Outdoors on Pleasant Pond in Turner. This year's program will focus on the many ways in which Maine's citizen lake scientists have contributed to the stewardship of their lakes. Registration is free for all VLMP certified lake monitors. 783-7733

Augusta

• The 46th annual Golf Scramble to benefit the United Way of Kennebec Valley will be held on Monday, August 15, at the Augusta Country Club. The event will include a Hole in One, a Putting Contest, raffles and lunch and dinner. Tee Off at 12 pm. Sponsorship Opportunities are available. 626-3400

Belgrade

 The Belgrade Planning Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 21 at 7 pm at the Town Office will review the application for a Dollar General to be located at 1002 Augusta Road, between the Town Office and the Post Office. www.townofbelgrade.com

The Belgrade Historical Society Fair will be held at the Old Town Meeting House on Saturday, August 13, 10 am-3 pm. The fair will feature a lawn sale, book table, baked goods, plants, crafts, costume jewelry and much more. Donations are greatly appreciated. 395-3581 or 495-2973.

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• The Community Supporting Arts program is now taking applications to pair artists and farmers, two vibrant and idealistic groups that are key to our state's unique sense of place. Each artist will seek inspiration in his or her counterpart's life, work, landscape, ideals and challenges over the course of the 2017 growing season. Art exhibitions and related events will take place in the fall. Application deadline: 11 pm, September 1, 2016.

Oakland

• The Oakland Public Library Holiday Book Sale is offering all books at half price through July 31. New prices are: adult and young adult hardbound \$1, large paperbacks 2/\$1, paperbacks 4/\$1, children hardbound 2/\$1, paperback and board books 10/\$1. Library hours are Tues. 10-7, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10-6. 465-7533

The Oakland, Williams, Messalonskee Alumni association will be holding its annual banquet at the Elks Banquet Center on 76 Industrial Street in Waterville on Saturday, August 13. Tickets are \$18 per person. The banquet is open to anyone who attended Oakland High School, Williams High School, or Messalonskee High School. For more information or a registration form contact 465-2849.

Waterville

• The Maine Celebrity Classic to benefit the Alfond Youth Center in memory of Mary Beaupre will be held at Sugarloaf Resort Wednesday and Thursday, August 10 and 11. The two-day event includes a Chef Celebrity Gala on Wednesday and a Golf Celebrity Classic on Thursday. All monies raised will be donated to the AYC from the Mary Beaupre sustainable Garden Fund. Join the Chef or Golf Gala or both. MaineCelebrityClassic.org

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Wayne

• Donations of clean, undamaged clothing for men, women and children and accessories are needed for the Community Boutique Sale coming up in September. 100% of the proceeds from the sale will benefit the Wayne Community Church community outreach program. The sale will be held on Saturday, September 17, 8 am-1 pm and Sunday, September 18, 10:30 am-12:30 pm. 585-3505

Dining

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pen Farm Day is an annual family adventure in Gardiner: which farms throughout the State of Maine open their gates to the public. The visits may include tours, tainable, 8 am-3 pm, 462-1637, 281 Costello Road. refreshments, children's activities, games, educational presentations, animal petting opportunities, retail Leeds: shop sales, and more.

The 26th annual Open Farm Day is set for Sunday, July 24 with more than 80 Maine farms participating. Open Farms near The Belgrades include:

Belgrade:

• Winterberry Farm, organic diversified, 9 am-5 pm, 649-3331, 538 Augusta Road, Route 27.

Clinton:

 Caverly Farms, dairy, 10:30 am-3 pm, 314-2397, 1477 River Road, Clinton.

Farmington:

• Birds of a Feather Emu Farm, emu and poultry, 10 am-3 pm, 212-2679, 171 Savage Road.

• Morrison Hill Orchard, apple orchard and berries, 10 am-3 pm, 778-4945, 272, Morrison Hill Road.



• Butting Heads Farm, home use dairy and self sus-

• From the Country Farm, diversified, goats, 10 am-3 pm, 212-9911, 23 Austin Road.

Monmouth:

• The Milkhouse, organic dairy/creamery, 10 am-3 pm, 933-8184, 445 South Monmouth Road.

Vassalboro:

• 47 Daisies, vegetables, berries and mushrooms, 10 am-2 pm, 509-0569, 552 Webber Pond Road.

West Gardiner:

• Farmer Kev's Organic, organic vegetables, 10 am-3 pm, 480-0376, 29 Long Meadow Road.

Winthrop:

• Cranberry Rock Farm, diversified, 10 am-3 pm, 778-1556, 427 Mount Pisgah Road.

• Wholesome Holmstead, diversified dairy, beef, cheese, yogurt and milk, 10 am-3 pm, 395-4784, 432 Stanley Road.

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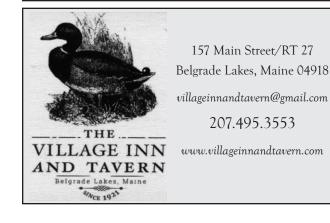
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ART

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Colby College Museum of Art, 5600 Mayflower Hill, Waterville, 859-4000, www.colby.edu/museum/

BANKING

Kennebec Savings Bank, 150 State Street, Augusta, 622-5801, www.kennebecsavings.com Maine State Credit Union, 200 Capitol Street, Augusta, 623-1851, www.mainestatecu.org Skowhegan Savings Bank, 450 Civic Center Drive, Route 27, Augusta, 1-800-303-9511, 623-2300, www.skowsavings.com

BEVERAGES Tree Spirits, 152 Fairfield St, Oakland, 861-2723, www.treespiritsofmaine.com

BICYCLES

Auclair Cycle & Ski, 64 Bangor St, Augusta, 623-4351, *www.auclaircycle.com*

BOAT COVERS

Waterville Upholstery & Canvas, 1042 Kennedy Memorial Dr, Oakland, 465-7847, www.watervilleupholstery.com

BOAT LIFTS

Brown Dock Service, Marina Drive, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2600, 316-7514, *www.browndockservices.com* **Hammond Lumber Company,** Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemiquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 1 866-HAMMOND, *www.hammondlumber.com*

BOAT MOORINGS

Great Pond Marina. 25 Marina Drive, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, www.greatpondmarina.com

BOAT RENTALS

Belgrade Canoe & Kayak, canoes, kayaks and paddleboards, 1005 Augusta Road, Route 27, Belgrade, 495-2000, *www.kayakandcanoe.com*

Drive, Oakland, 465-2146, www.midmainemarine.com

BOAT STORAGE

Belgrade Boat Storage, 31 Pinkham's Cove Road,
Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, www.belgradeboatstorage.com
Belgrade Lakes Marine and Storage, Inc, 366 Augusta
Road, Belgrade, 495-2378, www.belgradelakesmarine.com
Clark Marine, 57 Puddledock Road, Manchester,
622-7011; and Route 202, Monmouth, mail@clarkmarine.biz,
funonthewaterstartshere.com
Hamlin's Marine, 290 West River Road, Waterville, 8725660, www.hamlinsmarine.com
Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Road, Route
135, Belgrade, 495-2191, 441-5529
Mid-Maine Marine, 885 Kennedy Memorial Drive,
Oakland, 465-2146, www.midmainemarine.com

BOOKS

Children's Book Cellar, 52 Main Street, Waterville, 872-4543, childrensbookcellar.com

BUILDERS

Craig's Carpentry/North Bay Estates, Route 8, North Belgrade, Craig Alexander, 649-3749 G&L Contracting, 116 Lakeshore Drive, Belgrade Lakes, 215-7951, 495-2325, 233-7408, gandlcontractingmaine.com

LakeHouse Design, Build, Renovations, 17 Birchwood Road, Augusta, 242-3663, *www.lakehousedesignbuild.com* John Webster, jacking, raising, 32 Webster Way, Belgrade, 495-2965

BUILDING MATERIALS

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COMPUTER CONSULTANTS

Macintosh Solutions, Michael Breault, 24 Welch Road, Wilton, 645-5083, cell 578-0226, www.michaelbreault.net

DEMENTIA/ALZHEIMER'S CARE

Bedside Manor, Alzheimer's Care Facility, 461 Belgrade Road and 210 Country Club Road, Oakland, 465-2527, 465-8382, *www.bedsidemanorcare.com*

ELDER CARE

Maine-ly Elder Care, 28 Center Street, Oakland, 465-3249, www.maine-lyeldercare.com

ENGINEERING

Thayer Engineering, septic design, storm water mitigation, permitting, 17 Hasson Street, Farmingdale, 582-7762, *www.thayereng.com*

ESTATE APPRAISALS

F.A. Rizzo Appraisal Company, estate appraisal and planning for real estate, 495-3365, 458-4916, *farizzo@roadrunner.com*

EXCAVATING

Belgrade Boat Storage, 31 Pinkham's Cove Road, Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, *belgradeboatrentals.com* **David Stevens,** P0 Box 146, Belgrade, 465-3815, cell 314-0314

EYE CARE

Eye Care of Maine, 325 E. Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville, 873-2731, 1-800-660-3403, *www.Maine2020.com*

FARMSTANDS

Lakeside Orchards, 318 Readfield Road, Route 17, Manchester, 622-2479 Winterberry Farm, 538 Augusta Road, Route 27, Belgrade, 495-2593, 649-3331, www.winterberryfarmstand.com

FINANCIAL PLANNING

Golden Pond Wealth Management, 129 Silver Street, Waterville, 873-2200, *www.goldenpondwealth.com*

FIREWOOD

J & M Logging, Inc. 853 Civic Center Drive, Augusta, 622-6353, *www.jmlogginginc.com*

FLOORING

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GENERATORS

Generators of Maine, 262 Augusta Road, Belgrade, 495-2285, *www.generatorsofmaine.com*

Castle Island Camps, Long Pond, 441 Castle Island Road, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3312, *www.castleislandcamps.com* Great Pond Marina, 25 Marina Drive, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, *www.greatpondmarina.com* Whisperwood Cottages, Salmon Lake/McGrath Pond, 103 Taylor Woods Road, Belgrade, 465-3983, *www.whisperwoodlodge.com*

BOAT SALES AND SERVICES

Clark Marine, 57 Puddledock Road, Manchester, 622-7011, *mail@clarkmarine.biz, funonthewaterstartshere.com* **Hamlin's Marine,** 290 West River Road, Waterville, 872-5660, *www.hamlinsmarine.com*

Mid-Maine Marine and RV, 885 Kennedy Memorial

DINING

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DOCKS

Brown's Dock Services at Great Pond Marina,

495-2600, 316-7514, *www.browndockservices.com* **G&L Contracting**, 116 Lakeshore Drive, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2325, 215-7951, 233-7408,

gandlcontractingmaine.com

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemaquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 866-HAMMOND, *www.hammondlumber.com*

GOLF

Natanis Golf Course. 735 Webber Pond Road, Vassalboro, 622-3561, www.natanisgc.com

HEALTH CENTERS

Belgrade Regional Health Center, 4 Clement Way,
Belgrade Lakes, 495-3323, www.healthreachchc.org,
belgradechc.org
Inland Hospital, 200 Kennedy Memorial Drive,
Waterville, 861-3000, 1-800-491-8600,
www.inlandhospital.org
MaineGeneral Medical Center, Alfond Center for Health,
35 Medical Center Parkway, Augusta; Thayer Center for

Health, 149 North Street, Waterville, 1-855-4463, www.mainegeneral.org

HOME HEALTH CARE

Assistance Plus, 1-800-781-0070 ext. 400, www.assistanceplus.com

ICE CREAM

Smithfield Ice Cream Place, 855 Village Road, smithfieldicecreamplace.com, 368-5039

JEWELRY

Larsen's Jewelers, 57 Main Street, Waterville, 872-6301, 1-800-697-1874, www.larsensjewelers.com L.Tardif Jeweler, 62 Main Street, Waterville, 872-7542, 1-800-834-3638, ltardifjewelers.com

KITCHENS

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LAKE ASSOCIATIONS

Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA), Long Pond and Great Pond, PO Box 551, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 512-5150, *belgradelakesassociation.org*

LANDSCAPING

G&L Contracting, Belgrade Lakes, 215-7951, 495-2325, 233-7408, gandlcontractingmaine.com Lynch Landscaping, Skowhegan, 474-2420, lynchlandscaping.com

MASSAGE THERAPIST Jeannie G., 120 Drummond Avenue, Suite 1, Waterville, 509-1251

MOVIE THEATERS Railroad Square Cinema, call for titles and times, 17 Railroad Square, Waterville, 873-6526, www.railroadsquarecinema.com

MUSEUMS

Colby College Museum of Art, 5600 Mayflower Hill, Waterville, 859-5600, www.colby.edu/museum/

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PLUMBING Paul Hanna's Plumbing, Belgrade, 495-3805

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RESTAURANTS See Dining Directory on page 15

RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

Granite Hill Estates, 60 Balsam Drive, Hallowell, 626-7786, 1-888-321-1119, *www.granitehillestates.com*

SAILING Crooked Island Sailing, lessons, rentals, deliveries, Peter McManus, Belgrade Lakes, 495-9066,

SCHOOLS

St. Michael School, grades pre-K 3-year-old through 8th, 56 Sewell Street, Augusta, 623-3491, *www.smsmaine.org* **Snow Pond Arts Academy**, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney, 844-476-6976, *www.snowpond.org*

SECURITY SYSTEMS

Cayer Security Services, Inc, 208 College Avenue, Waterville, 453-9177, *www.cayersecurity.com*

SELF STORAGE

ASSOCIATIONS/GROUPS

THE BELGRADES... • East Pond Association, Smithfield/Oakland, www.eastpond.org

• North Pond Association,

Smithfield/Rome/Mercer, www.northpond.net

• McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association (MPSL), Belgrade/Oakland, P.O. Box 576, Oakland, 04963, 873-5285, www.mcgrathpond-salmonlake.org

• Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA) for Great Pond and Long Pond, Belgrade/Rome/Mount Vernon, PO Box 551, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 512-5150, www.belgradelakesassociation.org

• Friends of Messalonskee,

Oakland/Belgrade/Sidney, PO Box 532, Oakland, 04963, 465-4622, *www.friendsofmessalonskee.com*

• Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance and BRCA Conservation Corps, PO Box 250, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-6039, *www.belgradelakes.org*

• Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLRBG), PO Box 596, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3700, www.belgradelakesmaine.com

• Maine Lakes Resource Center/Docks to Doorways, PO Box 431, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3617, 620-6029, *www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org*

BEYOND...

• Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, PO Box 5003, Augusta, 04332-5003, 621-4100, *www.watershed-friends.com*

• Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District, 107 Park Street, Farmington 04938, 778-4279, www.franklincswcd.org

• Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District, 21 Enterprise Drive, Augusta 04330, 622-7847, ext. 3, *www.kcswcd.org*

• Somerset County Soil & Water Conservation District, 12 High Street, Skowhegan 04976, 474-8324, www.somersetswcd.org

Kennebec Land Trust (KLT), PO Box 261, 331
Main Street, Winthrop, 04364, 377-2848, www.tklt.org
Kennebec Messalonskee Trails, PO Box 2388,

Waterville, 04903, 873-6443, www.kmtrails.org
Kennebec River Rail Trail, PO Box 2195, Augusta, 04338, 623-8162, www.krrt.org
30 Mile River Watershed Association (30 MRWA), Kimball Pond in Vienna to the Androscoggin River, PO Box 132, Mt Vernon, 04352, 685-4956, www.30mileriver.org
Maine Lakes Society, formerly Congress of Lake Associations, PO Box 447, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 1-855-463-2652
Central Maine chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (CeMeNEMBA), 441-6227, www.cemenemba.org

MUSIC/CONCERTS

Snow Pond Center For The Arts and New England Music Camp, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney, 844-476-6976, www.snowpond.org

ORCHARDS

Lakeside Orchards and Farm Market, 318 Readfield Road, Route 17, Manchester, 622-2479

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Dockside Physical Therapy, 47 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3195, 512-2544, Fax 512-2545

Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Road., Route 135, Belgrade, 495-2191

SURVEYING

Acme Land Surveying, 108 Fairbanks Road, Suite 5, Farmington, 778-4081, *www.acmelandsurveying.com*

WINDOWS

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Oakland Celebrates Summer With OakFest

Summertime in the Belgrades

FRIDAY:

6:00pm Parade: Parade line up: Floats and participants will enter the Messalonskee High School Parking Lot from Oak Street. There will be a volunteer on hand to direct participants to where they will stage for the parade. The parade will line up on School Bus Drive. We will begin promptly at 6:00pm. We will proceed left off School Bus Drive onto Pleasant Street continue to the traffic lights and turn right onto Main Street. We will proceed to Church Street and continue on to Old Belgrade Avenue. The parade will disband at the boat landing where there will be bus(es) there to pick up all walkers and bring them back to the high school. All horse trailers or any participants with trailers will be asked to bring the trailers directly to Sexton Garage where they will be able to load them after the parade.

Immediately following the parade we will kick off our Street Dance. This year we are very fortunate to Richard Jandreau-RJ The DJ from Sidney to spin the tunes for us until 10:00pm.

Also available once the street dance commences will be a beer garden and several food vendors which include Oakland Lions Club with their hot dogs and dough boys, Crazy Spuds with their baked potatoes, Buddies Grocery will be doing a BBQ, Dancing

Elephant with Indian Food, The Maine Tater with their famous chicken wings. These are just a few of the scrumptious food vendors.

SATURDAY:

7:00AM-11:00AM Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Oakland Baptist Church:



Breakfast will be at the Church on Church Street: Come enjoy a delicious stack of pancakes, coffee and friendly conversation before you part take in our day long festivities at Williams Elementary School on Pleasant Street.

10:00AM-4:00PM We will be having our Open Air Market. This year we are very fortunate that we have over 100 participants. These vendors come from as far away as New Hampshire to partake. Also new this year to our sound stage will be an array of music. We are very fortunate to have bands that will begin playing at 10:00AM The first band will a high school age band called "THE VALUES". We encourage everyone to come out and listen to our local talent. At 1:00pm and running through the afternoon until 5:00pm we will have THE SCOTT DAVIS BAND. This band is known throughout the state for their jazz, blues, and swing music. This will be music for the soul.

At 7:00pm and running until 10:00pm will the "BONEHEADS" featuring our own Pam Tyler from the RiverSide Restaurant right here in Oakland. Their specialty of music is country rock. Come out and enjoy a summer night of music and food under the stars. SUNDAY:

9:00AM Paddle, Pedal, Pound the Pavement TRIAD: Our Closing event to a spectacular weekend.

This is a transitional event run by Oakland's Own World Champion Athlete Holly MacKenzie hosting this event. Participants can do all three events or make up a team of three and each take a leg of the TRIAD. We encourage all athletes local schools, clubs, to form a team and enter into the event. If you are not the athletic type then we would encourage to come out and cheer on the participants.







Path before Lake-friendly pathways to the lake should be curved, no more than 6 feet wide, lined with native vegetation, and covered with 3-4 inches of absorbent material. (Examples: erosion control mulch, pine needles, bark mulch, crushed stone, wood chips or thick duff.) These pathways reduce erosion, slow storm water run-off, and minimize pollutants flowing into the lake.

> For a free labor contact: Nathan Durant, Youth Conservation Corps Director, brcacc@mainelakes.org Logan Parker, LAKESMART Coordinator, lparker.mainelakes@gmail.com Maine Lakes Resource Center 207-495-3617



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SIDNEY – Spacious, like new, 3-4BR, 3 BA, 2,800 SF home in rural, private setting just minutes from I-95, the new Hospital, and the MarketPlace. Expanded, totally renovated in 2011. Lg open interior. Oak kitcher/DR wistone fireplace. Beautiful floors. Fabulous front screened porch with vaulted ceiling. Extra spacious Master suite w/modern bath/jetted tub. Lower level rec room. Oversized heated 2 car grg. Easy to heat. More! MLS 1238746 \$244,900



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SIDNEY – Spacious 2,200 SF 4+BR house with potential 2 car garage (now converted to utility room) on a nice 0.9 acre lot. Nice layout, spacious kitchen, LR w/fireplace, 2-3BR's down, 2 up. Full basement. Possible business use, convenient to I-95, new Regional Hospital. MLS 1248090 \$149,900

Expressions -

n exhibition and installation of works from The Skowhegan School of Painting & Sculpture July 16-August 1, 2016

Hilltop Antiques 48 Water Street, #3 Skowhegan, Maine 207.474.0055 Open Monday-Saturday, 9-5 pm

With contributions from artists at the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, New York-based artist Baris Gokturk has curated an exhibition and installation of over thirty works within the existing displays of Skowhegan's Hilltop Antiques. In operation since 1968, Hilltop Antiques houses over 30 rooms of antiques and specialty items including posters, furniture, glassware, paintings and oddities, like a 1950s X-ray machine and a submarine periscope.

Mixed in with these items are small works of painting, sculpture, video, and ceramic by the participants, faculty and staff of the 2016 class of Skowhegan. The installation encompasses a wide array of practices and concerns related to each artist's own body of work, their time at Skowhegan and, in certain instances, the antique store itself: an unconventional exhibition space from a parallel universe.

Initially motivated by the "FOR RENT" sign at Hilltop, Gokturk began to see connections and

For Sale By Owner



disconnections between the manufactured established in 1946, which seeks each year to objects within the store and objects produced by bring together a diverse group of individuals store's proprietor, Greg Salisbury, was open to interspersing items already for sale at his shop space.

Skowhegan is an intensive nine-week summer

residency program for emerging visual artists

artists that also become subject to commerce. The with a demonstrated commitment to artmaking and inquiry for a concentrated period of artistic creation, interaction and growth. Located on a with work made at the art school, merging the historic 350-acre farm in Madison, Maine, the parallel universes of exhibition and commercial campus serves as a critical component of the program and serves as a backdrop for the most stimulating and rigorous environment possible. 2016 marks the school's 70th Anniversary.

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