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## When Kids Go To Summer Camp

by Esther J. Perne





hen kids go to summer camp whether for a day, a week, a season or a class, magic happens. They learn new skills, make new friends, discover new worlds. They sing silly songs, tell stupid jokes and create interesting and sometimes awesome crafts. They feel more connected to the world around them, to the wonders of nature, to the state around us, to their own town, to peers, and to their own unique selves. They know that someone cares.

When kids go to summer camp they come home with memories and hopes, with somethings new to think about including a future with positive possibilities. They come home taller, stronger, with more character and usually ready

for more camp.

Maine is rich in youth camps from the traditional summer-long, century-plus-old camps, to the more recent, innovative one- or two-day half day sessions, from the general interest to the highly specialized, from the strictly roughing-it outdoors or the rugged sports training schedules to the finely-tailored enrichment courses and well-rounded community rec programs. In short, when it comes to summer camps in this region of the world there is probably something for every-

When kids don't go to summer camp, it's a long hot and often lonely view from the back

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steps, or the street, or the screen, especially when the resources of recreation, nature, creative expression and camaraderie that summer camps offer are so visible, so almost within reach.

In Maine, in this area there are many summer camp programs that accommodate working caregivers' schedules, that accommodate food challenges, that provide grants and scholarships and work opportunities. Some towns offer each of their children a free week or two of a community program, some associations provide similar opportunities. At the bottom of almost every brochure or application there is an offer of financial aid. There is money set aside.

July has just begun; August lies ahead. It is definitely not too late to find



out about summer camp or class or rec openings and financial aid - for your kid....or for someone else's.

Oh, yes, and when it comes to summer camps, it's not all a small, small world. There are opportunities out there for adults to indulge. Specialty camps such as music, educational camps such as foreign language immersion, multi-generational camps (take the grandkids) and camps for veterans are just a few examples. Some are held on academic campuses but many are held at traditional youth camp settings. Who says adults can't sleep on top bunks, walk through the woods to restrooms or take showers in sputtering coldish water - or apply for financial aid? They are, after all, kids at heart...

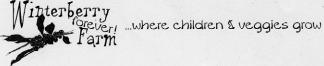
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### Tadpole Patrol is an "On the Water Adventure"!



Students working with secchi disk and aquascope on Fayette WFE

here's no better way to spend a Maine summer than out on the lakes! lacktriangle So why not learn about the lakes at the same time? The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed is once again offering the Tadpole Patrol program, an educational, FUN, interactive and hands-on experience aboard the Friends' 22' pontoon boat "floating classroom" the OTTER II. Children and families will enjoy the experience with five different options offered to learn about watershed protection and water quality.

The first level is Tadpole Patrol for children entering grades 2-3-4 where they are introduced to lake ecology, observing wildlife, and learning the basics of water quality testing. TP-II Lake Science Investigators (LSI!) is for children entering grades 4-5-6 where participants become "science investigators" as they observe the lake ecosystem, conduct water quality tests, and record data in their own keepsake journal. The third level offered is TP3-Junior Lake Monitors for youth entering grades 6 and up. TP3 participants are educated in proper water quality data measurement techniques, conduct precise measurements themselves, then analyze and compare their results with data recorded by the Cobbossee Watershed District from the past 30+ years.

The fun continues on the water with our Family Tadpole Patrol and Spotter's Amphibious Adventures. Get the whole family involved in our Family Tadpole Patrol adventure! Kids and adults of all ages can board the OTTER II for an hour and half long session to observe wildlife, learn and share the human and natural history of the lake, and experience water monitoring with professional equipment. Spotter's Amphibious Adventures explore and learn about aquatic and terrestrial habitats. Participants cruise aboard the OTTER II to a private island in the middle of the lake where we will explore, learn about the importance of riparian areas for wildlife, the benefits of preserving wild spaces, and the basics of the "Leave No Trace" method of enjoying nature. The Tadpole Patrol programs are graciously sponsored by Kennebec Savings Bank, Augusta Fuel Co., and Clark Marine- without them these programs would not be possible.

FMI about dates and times of the programs and for registration forms, please contact FOCW Education & Outreach Director Cami Wilbert by phone 621-4100 or email cami@watershedfriends.com or visit the Friends' website www.watershedfriends.com





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## The Luckiest Boy

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On October 28th and 29th, the weather people were predicting that a low pressure system would enter our area during the evening of the 29th and the wee morning hours of the 30th. They said that heavy rains and near hurricane force winds were likely.

Here in Central Maine, by 5 a.m. on the 30th no one could doubt their predictions. After nearly 4 inches of rain during the night, the winds roared through the pitch black darkness at levels that few of us had ever experienced. The steady screeching was ominous and left one with an eerie sense of uneasiness and even fear. The houses were being peppered with all sorts of debris, in our case pine cones and limbs that were being torn from trees as well as most everything else that was not nailed down. Windows and doors were being tested to their limits.

As the first glimpses of a grayish sky appeared, the tree tops were silhouetted against the slowly emerging light. With disbelief we all watched and listened as some trees could not withstand the battering and came crashing down. More had uprooted than snapped off due to the earth's recent soaking.

As the front moved through and the winds reversed direction on the backside of the storm, even more confusion and carnage went on, fortunately that was short lived. By 7 a.m. the winds were subsiding, daylight was complete and considerable damage was apparent. A few vehicles were crawling around obstacles on local roads while drivers assessed the damages with awe and shock. Trees of all sizes lay atop buildings, cars, wires from poles and more.

Some folks were more fortunate than others, as it became clear that some cottages and homes were severely damaged by large pines and oaks. Pictures were taken and sent to alert owners of their misfortune and phone calls were made to describe damage and console friends.

## The Big Blow of '17

by Rod Johnson

By 8 or 9 a.m. chainsaws could be heard from all directions, generators were being fired up and the clean-up had begun. Trucks with cherry pickers (log loaders) were rolling and huge trees were being surgically picked off from roofs and out of roadways. Local tree man Paul LaBonte's phone was ringing off the hook as were many others. Insurance companies were being called, repair people and contractors were being sought to give estimates—and get some temporary roof covers over severely damaged areas.

Central Maine Power company reported that over 400,000 customers were without power as of early morning. All available power company crews were in the process of locating and assessing downed wires, poles and blown transformers. Many out of state and Canadian power companies sent trucks and crews over the next several days to help put New England's power grids back together. Hats off to all the crews and to the management teams who worked with little sleep to make it all happen. Also, BIG thanks to all the emergency first responders for handling life threatening situations as well as road and tree crews who worked every possible hour to put our states, cities and towns back together.

As of this writing, now 6 days after the storm, much has been accomplished. Central Maine Power says that 67,000 remain without power. This has been a long siege for many, but we must look on the brighter side. We have the man power and affiliations in place to get things back to normal quickly, especially compared to the devastation in Puerto Rico and other hurricane ravaged areas. Also, our weather remained enough above freezing so that homes were not freezing up and icy roads were not too much an issue. Our people are resilient, creative and self- assisting when the chips are down. These conditions can bring out the best and the worst in people, but in this case it was the best with neighbors helping neighbors. A fifteen year old named Jackson Liberty stopped by our house and asked if we were okay!

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## Take It Outside -

The week began with the annual meeting of I the Maine Lakes Society, on whose board I have served for ten years. We held our meeting at UM Farmington and had some excellent presentations focused on protecting Maine's lakes and wildlife, especially loons. Meanwhile, my friend Dick Greenan, the Commodore of the Great Pond Yacht Club, assisted by the Franklin family, was hosting the 2018 Ashera Challenge that ended at the Jamaica Point Lodge. The GPYC gets a lot of avid sailors of all ages out on Great Pond every week. In partnership with SailMaine and the Town of Belgrade, GPYC hosts 1-week sailing camps for youths aged 9-17 at the Center for All Seasons. Check out http://www.sailmaine.org/youth/ for details. Sailing is a great life-time sport!

I did manage to get out fishing for a bit and caught quite a few large bass that were chasing schools of alewives. The excellent fishing in our lakes also attracts visitors to local sporting camps such as Bear Springs Camp (Great Pond), Whisperwood (Salmon Lake), Alden Camps (East Pond), and Castle Island Camps (Long Pond). Good water quality is important to these local businesses and they are all strong supporters of the local lake associations, and other conservation organizations such as the 7-LA (former BRCA) and the MLRC. John Rice from Castle Island Camps organizes and judges the loon calling contest that takes place in Belgrade Lakes every year on the first Saturday in August. It is a unique and fun event and if you have never been, I highly recommend you add it to your "bucket list,"

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## Fishing and Sailing



Ava Franklin, Lauren Clark and Helen Coon receiving their award from Commodore Greenan of the Great Pond Yacht Club.



Kurt and Christie Dietland of Plymouth, MA who stay at Castle Island Camps every year.

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A long wall of windows looks out over the lake. Finished space on the lower level is ideal for recreation/overflow quarters, and opens out to a deck that's ideal for entertaining.

The home at 333 Bald Head Island West, Palermo, is listed for sale at \$248,000 by Heidi Jo Libby of Hoang Realty in Augusta.

(Please note that Bald Head is actually a peninsula, not an island. It is not necessary to boat to the cottage - but it is certainly a pleasurable option.)



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- 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
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- 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

www.fairfieldmehistoricalsociety.net, 42 High 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,
- 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
- 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

#### 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, www.stanleymuseum.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

#### Моммоитн

- 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 41

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- 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 school-house, 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.sidneyhistoricalsociety.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 park, Route 201 am-4 pm, 54 Norridgewock Ave.
- **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 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 through Saturday noon to 5 pm, Thursday until 6 pm, 93 Main 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,

#### 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

#### Winthroi

- Norcross Park, playground, picnic site, boat launch on Maranacook Lake
- Farmers' Market, 446-2899, Tuesday and Saturday 9 am-1 pm, town office parking lot, 17 Highland Avenue

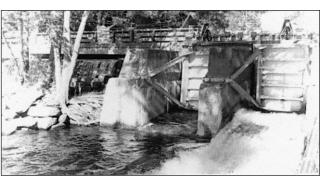
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#### The Dams Keeper Report

Thanks to all of you for your rain dances over the past week as the Belgrades actually got 1" of precipitation over just the past 5 days, a record!!! Not exactly, but with this weather pattern, it feels like one. As of this writing both Great Pond, Long Pond and Salmon/McGrath, as well as most of our ponds, are still feeling the effect of the lack of rain.

Great Pond is currently 6" below full pond with both gates now completely closed. Long Pond is right at 1.68" below full with both gates also completely closed. Salmon/McGrath is also feeling the effects of the lack of rain with a level of 5" below full.

Great Pond is currently 5.76" below full pond with both gates still completely closed. Long Pond is now 3.36" below full with Gate 1 closed and Gate 2 now open 2" to satisfy the minimum required 8 cfs. Salmon/McGrath is 5" below full.

Now if you're ready for a real leap of faith, Weather Underground is forecasting 4.88" of precipitation for the next 10 days. If it happens, it will be so welcomed. Scattered showers are always preferred over the gulley washers but we'll take just about anything at this point!

For all of you Rain Dancers out there, thank you for your past efforts - but it's now time to take a break. We'll let you know when we need you again! Enjoy your summer and vacation!

Dick Greenan

Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee

#### Mount Vernon/Vienna

#### Saturday, July 7

Mt Vernon Summer Arts & Crafts Fair, 9 am-2 pm, On the Beach and in the Community Center. 293-1016

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Thursday 7/5 through Sunday 7/8 – "Jenny's House of Joy," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 7/5 and Friday 7/6 – "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, 933-9999, The Theater at Monmouth.

Friday 7/6 through Sunday 7/8 – 4-H Eastern States Tryouts, University of Maine 4-H Horse Program, 353-5550, Fairgrounds, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

**Friday 7/6** – Opening Reception for July exhibit "Construction/Deconstruction," and for exhibit "Dog Days," 5-7 pm, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, Water Street, Hallowell.

**Friday 7/6 -** "Owls of Maine" presented by staff from Chewonki, 2 pm, 495-3617, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

**Friday 7/6** – "The Shakes," Summer Waterfront Concert, free, 582-7144, 280 Water Street, Gardiner.

Friday 7/6 – New England Music Camp Counselor Recital, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, ext. 1, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

**Saturday 7/7 -** Are You Buff Enough? How to Become LakeSmart-er Workshop 2018, sponsored by the North Pond Association, 313-2494, 9-11 am, Fairview Grange #342, Main Street, Smithfield.

**Saturday** 7/7 – Maine Nature Artists, Summer Wildlife Days, 11 am-2 pm, 657-4977, Maine Wildlife Park, Gray.

Saturday 7/7 – "The True Story of Little Red," family show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Saturday 7/7 – Owl Things Considered, how owls rule the night and how to identify owls, 1-2 pm, \$3 adults, \$1 under 18, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

**Saturday 7/7 –** Concert, New England Music Camp, historic Bowl in the Pines, Messalonskee Lake, 3 pm, no admission, 465-3025, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

**Saturday** 7/7 – Public Supper, potluck, 5:30 pm, adults \$6, under 12 \$3, Smithfield Baptist Church, Route 137, Smithfield.

**Saturday 7/7** – "Pride@Prejudice," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

**Sunday 7/8 -** New England Music Camp Concert, rain or shine, free to the public, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 465-3025, Bowl in the Pines, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

**Sunday 7/8 -** 3rd Annual Jim Browne Foundation Tournament, in support of youth golf programming, registration begins at 11 am, shotgun start 1 pm, 474-5955, Lakewood Golf Course, 803 Lakewood Road, Madison.

**Sunday 7/8 -** Kennebec Performing Arts Company, free concert, 5-6:15 pm, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Monday 7/9 – Adopt-A-Shoreline training session, sponsored by the Belgrade Lakes Association, 3 pm, 465-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

**Tuesday 7/10 -** "Paddington 2," free outdoor family movie, 474-3621, Coburn Park, Skowhegan.

Wednesday 7/11 and Thursday 7/12 – Maine Celebrity Classic to benefit the Alfond Youth Center, Fantastic Foodie Fest and 18 Holes at Sugarloaf with Baseball Greats, attend either event or both and stay overnight at the Sugarloaf Mountain Hotel, 872-7092, Alfond Youth Center, Waterville.

Wednesday 7/11 – Family Art in the Afternoon, a leisurely hour of creating inspired by the wonders and curiosities found throughout the museum, art materials provided, 1-2 pm, \$3 adults, \$1 under 18, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Wednesday 7/11 – Wine Tasting event, to benefit Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, \$18 includes light appetizers and a selection of wine, 861-4440, Amici's Cucina, 137 Main Street, Waterville.

Wednesday 7/11 - Annual July Turkey Supper with roast turkey and all the trimmings and homemade pies, adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5, 5-7 pm, Oakland-Sidney United Methodist Church, West School Street, Oakland.

Wednesday 7/11 - Grange Supper, 5 pm, Main Street/Route 11, Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/11 – Bees and Native Pollinators, a talk by Matt Scott, 5:30 pm, 465-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Wednesday 7/11 - "Hiking Maine" author Greg Westrich will share his top 10 hikes in Maine through a slideshow and discussion, books available for sale, light refreshments, 6-8 pm, free and open to the public, 495-3508, Belgrade Public Library, 124 Depot Road, Belgrade.

Wednesday 7/11 – Presentation exploring notable local writers inspired by the Skowhegan area and the Kennebec River, featuring local novelist, Barbara Winslow, who includes local history in her books for younger readers, looking back at past local writers, Harriet Nash, author of Polly's Secrets (1902) and Levi Parker Wyman,

author of The Golden Boys Series (1923-1927), 7 pm, 474-6632, Margaret Chase Smith Library, Skowhegan.

Wednesday 7/11 through Saturday 7/14 – "Jenny's House of Joy," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Wednesday 7/11 – New England Music Camp Faculty Artist Recital, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, ext. 1, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

Wednesday 7/11 – Public supper, entree, beverage, homemade dessert, 5 pm, Fairview Grange, Route 8, downtown Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/11 – "Sundog," Waterfront Wednesday Concert Series, wonderful family event, free for the public, 6 pm, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

**Wednesday 7/11 -** "Pride@Prejudice," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**Thursday 7/12 –** Friends and Neighbors Lunch, all welcome, 495-3599, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

**Thursday 7/12 –** Concert, Oakland Waterfront Park, 6-9 pm at the gazebo, boat landing, Messalonskee Lake, Oakland.

Thursday 7/12 and Friday 7/13 – "Richard III," by William Shakespeare, Thursday preview show, Friday opening, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

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#### **Harlow Presents Artwork** on Dog Days and Construction/Deconstruction



"Treat Please", Oil on Canvas, by Elizabeth Fraser of Portland

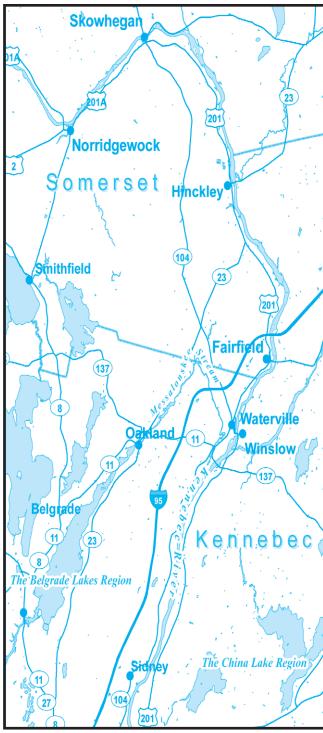
The Harlow kicks off summer with their annual Summer Members' Show & Sale, featuring a diverse collection of work by Harlow artist members. This year The Harlow invited artists to submit work responding to the theme of "Construction/ Deconstruction" in celebration of the MaineDOT road construction project taking place in Hallowell. The exhibition is on view July 6-28, 2018 at 100 Water Street in Hallowell in the Harlow's upstairs gallery.

The public is invited to attend the opening reception on Friday, July 6 from 5-7pm and meet the artists. The opening reception coincides with the opening for Dog Days, a fun and light-hearted exhibition celebrating our loyal canine companions on view in the downstairs gallery July 6-14, 2018.

Construction/Deconstruction is a unique opportunity to discover both emerging and established artists working in a wide range of media and styles such as painting, drawing, printmaking, fiber art, dogs to enjoy. photography, sculpture, fine craft and more. During Gallery hours are Tuesday 6:30-8:30, Wednesday-Saturday 12-6pm, and Sunday 12-4pm.

exhibition featuring 65 works by 32 artists celebratto enjoy the art which will be displayed at their' eye level. The exhibition resulted from a call for art tion of pet food for The Cohen Center's AniMeals asking artists to submit artwork specifically for program 1

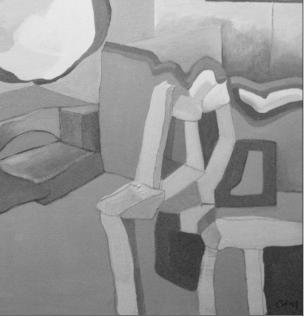
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Dog Days is on view July 6 - 14, 2018 at the the Summer Members Show & Sale, patrons may Harlow at 100 Water Street in Hallowell with an purchase art off the wall to take home the same day. opening reception Friday, July 6, 5-7pm, in tandem Buying local supports Maine's creative community. with the opening reception for the Summer Member's Show. No dogs will be allowed at the opening reception. However well-behaved dogs are The Harlow presents Dog Days, a light-hearted encouraged to attend the exhibition anytime following the reception during open hours, Wednesdaying our loyal canine companions. During this Saturday 12-6pm and Sunday 12-4pm. Dogs must exhibit, dogs will be welcomed into the gallery be leashed or carried at all times. Only one dog per human at a time. Suggested admission is a dona-



"Stanley and The Girls", Egg Tempera, by Amy Peters Wood of Georgetown



"Inside, Outside", oil, byAbbott Meader







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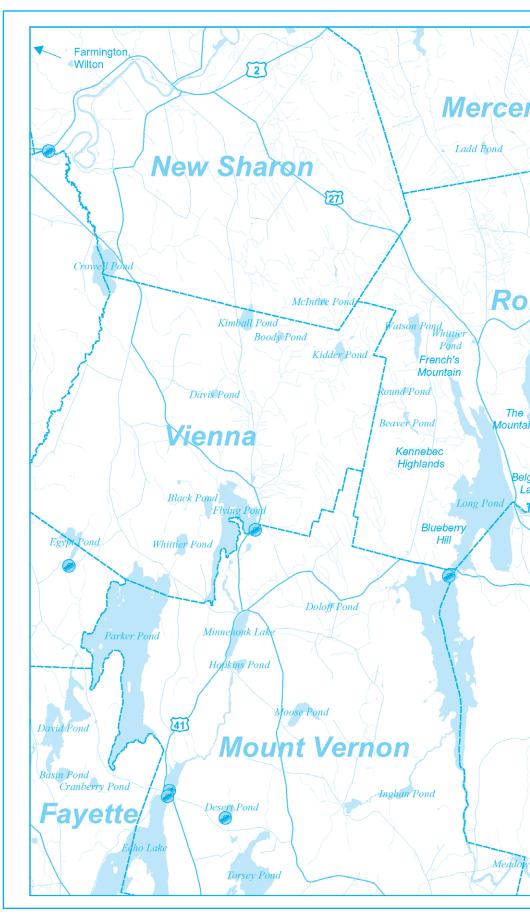


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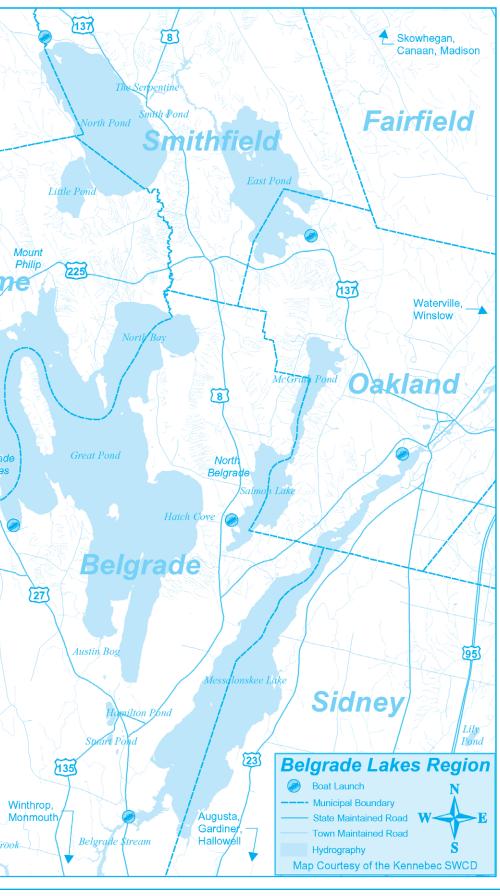
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## Upcoming

- Le Festival de la Bastille will take place in Augusta on Friday and Saturday, July 13 and 14 at Pete Gagne Fields. \$5 per person, under 18 free.
- The Annual 5K Road Race to benefit the Belgrade Public Library will be held on Saturday, July 14, at 8 am at the Belgrade Central School. 495-3508
- On Sunday, July 15, Colby College Museum of Art will hold Community Day, with refreshments, tours, live music, games, noon to 2 pm. 859-5600
- Uptah Camp, a multi-media presentation of Maine Sporting Camps by Bernard Fishman of the Maine State Museum will be presented Thursday, July 19 at 7 pm at the Maine Lakes Resource Center, Belgrade Lakes.
- The Wall That Heals, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica & Mobile Education Center will be on the Gardiner Cmmon, 2 Dresden Avenue, July 19-22. 202-393-0090
- There will be a tour of historic Skowhegan Falls/Island on Friday, July 20 at 10 am. Meet at the Arnold Park. 474-6632
- Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sale to benefit Smithfield Maine Historical Society, \$7, Saturday, July 21, 7-9:30 am at the Smithfield Baptist Church, plus Open House Art Display at the next door Groves House 8 am-1 pm. Downtown

Smithfield. 578-0226

- On Wednesday, July 25 at 5:30 pm, Lloyd Irland will give a talk on Maine Forestry at the Maine Lakes Resource Center in Belgrade Lakes. 495-3039
- parade, street dance, special sales and food, Open Air Market, music and more. www.oakfestmaine.com
- Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program) will hold its annual conference at The Great Outdoors in Turner, 783-7733
- Summer Smorgasbord on Saturday, July 28, 5-6 pm, Waterville First Congregaional Church-UCC, Corner of Main Street and Eustis Parkway. Adults \$8, children under 12 \$4, under 5 free.

#### **AUGUST**

- "Little Shop of Horrors" will be presented on August 9 and 10 at 7:30 pm at Alumni Hall, New England Music Camp. Ticketed event. 465-3025
- The Belgrade Fire and Rescue Bean Hole Bean supper at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, 5-7 pm, followed by the Annual Loon Calling Contest in Belgrade Lakes will be on Saturday, August 4; sign up for the Loon Calling outside Lakepoint Real Estate at 6:30 pm. 495-3312
- The drawing for the Raffle for the Lakes will be held on Sunday, August 5 at the Farmers' Market. The raffle table is

by the Post Office in Belgrade Lakes. 512-5150

- The Taste of Greater Waterville, sponsored by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, will be held on Wednesday, August 8, 9 am-11 pm. 660-4939
- On July 27-29 OakFest will be celebrated in Oakland with a
   The Oakland-Sidney Methodist Church, West School Street, will hold a Turkey Supper on Wednesday, August 8, 5-7 pm, adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.
- On Saturday, July 28 the Lake Stewards of Maine (formerly The McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association annual meeting will be on Thursday, August 9 at 6 pm at the North Belgrade Community Center. 873-5285
  - There will be a training session for volunteers on Sunday, August 12, 2-4 pm, at the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter, 19 Colby Street, Waterville. 872-8082
  - The Winthrop Sidewalk Art Show, food, sales, farmers' market and festivities will be held on Saturday, August 18 in downtown Winthrop.
  - The monthly bean supper sponsored by the Mt. Philip Grange in Rome will be held on Saturday. August 18.
  - On August 22-26, the 51st Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival with 12 major bands, an extra large tent area for spectators, a Kids Academy, concessions, camping and more is scheduled at the Litchfield Fairgrounds. Children 16 and under free with adult. 873-6539

### **Central Maine Writes**

#### Summer Exhibits Celebrate Local Maine Authors

The Central Kennebec Heritage Council, a group of local museums and historical societies, has announced the theme of its collaborative summer exhibit, "Central Maine Writes."

Each of the member institutions has chosen a local Maine author (or authors) to highlight in a special, summer-long exhibition. Come explore all the museums to learn about our many authors.

Kicking off at the Fairfield Victor Grange on Friday, July 13th at 7PM, Mark McPheters of the Fairfield Historical Society will present a talk entitled "Poems of Holman Day," covering the life and works of the prolific Maine journalist, editor, author, poet and silent filmmaker.

The Skowhegan History House & Museum will host a discussion on Tuesday, July 10th at 7PM. Two of the books covered will be Polly's Secret by Harriet Nash (1902) and The Kennebec is Rising by Barbara Winslow (2013). The L. C. Bates Museum will present an exhibit of original works by Reverend George Walter Hinckley, founder of the museum and the Good Will-Hinckley School.

The Margaret Chase Smith Library presents a special exhibition, "The Fourth Estate: The Duel Between the Government and the News Media", exploring the U.S. Senator's writings and her relationship with the press. The Fairfield Historical Society will exhibit works by several local authors, with emphasis on Holman Day. There will also be a book discussion of his 1910 book, The Ramrodders.



The Oakland Area Historical Society will celebrate Susan Page Davis, Mini Carpenter, and Earl H. Smith in their summer exhibit.

The Norridgewock Historical Society will present an exhibit featuring noted children's authors of the late 19th and early 20th centuries Sophie May (Rebecca Sophia Clark) and Penn Shirley (Sarah J. Clark); path breaking abolitionist Lydia Maria Child; and local historians William Allen and Henrietta Danforth Wood.

The Taconnett Falls Genealogical Society will highlight works created or edited by members.

The Fairfield Victor Grange #49 also intends to highlight its own works, focusing on pieces that are of local historic interest and typical of Central Maine.

For more details about the Central Kennebec Heritage Council Central Maine Writes please contact the L.C. Bates Museum at Good Will-Hinckley 207-238-4250 or lcbates@gwh.org.





## Conservation Too -

It's getting to be that time of the season when  $oldsymbol{\perp}$ you plan work on your driveway or your road association road. As part of our focus on Nonpoint Source or NPS pollution, gravel roads are this week's topic. In rural Maine we frequently need to travel on and are often responsible for a gravel camp road or our own gravel driveway. Those road surfaces frequently collect and direct runoff into our lakes, ponds, streams and wetlands. Unlike public roadways, you or your road association are directly responsible for their impact on water quality.

Much of our conservation work and the work of various Youth Conservation Corps, Road Associations and watershed groups focuses on gravel road work. Gravel road erosion is a major source of sediment into our lakes and that sediment carries phosphorus in addition to other toxins like road salt, oil and the like. Gravel roads and their associated ditches can also serve to concentrate the stormwater runoff from adjacent properties. Improving the way those gravel roads function is an excellent way to help protect water quality. Given all the use those roads get during the summer, an improved road both costs less money over time and makes for a less destructive "mud season". Roads that did NOT receive a 'spring upgrade' may exhibit problems. Potholes have appeared, ruts have developed in the tire

## Planning to Work on Your "Camp Road" or Driveway?

By Dale Finseth



Don't let your road start looking like this.

lanes, ditches may NOT be directing runoff into the woods and other vegetated areas. Instead, the roadway, culverts, and ditches are all working together and directing stormwater and the sediment into the lake. The Kennebec SWCD focusses on Gravel Road Management/Maintenance Plans to provide landowners a better understanding of how their road impacts water quality and how to manage its maintenance to minimize that impact. A good Road Management Plan provides the landowners with information to better budget the resources they devote to their roadway. Those resources include the dues paid by landowners and the volunteer or contractor work to maintain it. A better maintained road can save a property from damage caused by stormwater leaving the roadway and damaging adjacent property. It is important for people to better understand how the road "works".

The feedback is good from people about Road Plans written in the past few years. People appreciate the advantage of having a long-range plan to protect their investment already made in their roadway and make plans for the future. The Road Management Plan is usually for the "shared" road i.e. the responsibility of all the property owners. But, many of the recommendations and Best Management Practices can be modified to help the individual camp owner better manage their own driveway. We do NOT want to see these gravel roads simply become a means to transfer silt and phosphorus to our waterways. Intercepting that stormwater is an excellent way to help protect water quality.

And with the improved attention to long term maintenance people can expect better longterm water quality. Definitely a "win, win" situation.

Remember, there is a lot to do in order to protect water quality.

For information about any of our conservation projects please contact Dale Finseth at 622-7847, x 3 or check our website at www.kcswcd.org

## A Waste Reduction Tip for Us All?

by Susan Littlefield

The most effective way to reduce waste is to up an estimated 4.68 million trees worth of ▲ not create it in the first place.

Consider telephone directories. Each year, as regularly as a head cold or spring allergy, telephone directories land on my door step. I can't even read them even if "New Larger Print" is claimed on the cover. I used to keep them, stacked up in a corner, ... just in case. And sometimes the photos of baby loons on the cover have made them just too precious to toss.

But think about it. How often do you consult a telephone directory? Personally, I store telephone numbers important to me on my cell phone, computer or a sticky, and those I'm looking for are almost always internet-accessible in places like whitepages.com EZtoUse.com.

• Each year the telephone book industry uses

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Saturday and Tuesday concerts will feature various students from the AMF Piano Institute and Seminar, while the Monday recital will be a solo performance by the winner of the AMF 2018 Piano Competition.

Those craving larger, symphonic works will get their due on Saturdays, July 14 & 28, when the AMF Orchestra performs. The first concert comprises "Jegichagi" a work by festival founder Solbong Kim that is named after a Korean street game, the Dances of Galanta by Zoltan Kodaly,

wood fiber, or 14 football fields worth of forest, per day.

- Telephone directories are a burden on our local town governments, who pay nearly \$60 million annually in recycling and disposal fees for unwanted phone books.
- Currently, tossed telephone directories ... which belong in the newspaper recycling bin ... are facing a buyer crisis due to the confluence of events over the past few years: The closing of all but one (Hutahmaki) paper mills in Maine, lower newspaper readership and stricter import policies in the country of China (they no longer want our soggy, dirty paper trash.)

You can help put the brakes on this waste creation and cost by opting out of unnecessary telephone book deliveries at your home, business or work place.

How do you do this?

- 1. Visit yellowpagesoptout.com
- 2. Enter your zip code and hit "Get Started" to register.
- 3. After registration, you will be shown images of the directories you are now receiving at your address.
- 4. You will then be asked if you want to opt out of receiving some of them or all of them.
- 5. Then, hit "Save Changes" and "Confirm." You will receive a summary of your changes by email.

The phone book opt-out opportunity may not be new to many of you since it began in the Northwest states nearly ten years ago. If it's good news to you, however, pass it on.



and the Symphony No. 5 of Jean Sibelius.

The two remaining performances on the schedule are hard to classify: a "future music" concert, in which the performer mates a conventional instrument to a computer that alters and augments the sound in real time, and a "Salon @ The Bar," wherein the performers will play whatever they feel like playing and audience members may wander in and out and even order food. These performances will take place Tuesday, July 24, at 9:00 p.m. in Ostrove Auditorium in the Diamond Building and on Sunday, July 22, at 7:00 in

Marchese Blue Light Pub in Cotter Union, respectively.

Rather than printing a forest of copies of each concert's program, festival organizers encourage audience members to view the program on their smartphones. (Please make sure that the ringer is silent!) For those with only "dumb" phones or none at all, a few paper copies will be available.

The concert schedule is subject to change and more performances may be added. For the latest information, check the AMF website, www.atlanticmusicfestival.org, or call the AMF office at 888-704-1311.



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## Notebook

#### Maine-ly Harmony

• Saturday, July 14, 9 am-3 pm, a yard sale as diverse as the chorus members who contribute items for the chorus' annual fundraiser will be held at Hill Gardens on Route 3 in Palermo, between Tobey's Store and Palermo School. Among the offerings will be plants from the nursery at bargain prices! Hot dogs, homemade baked goods and beverages, all \$1 each, will be available at the Harmony Cafe. Enjoy the chorus and quartets singing songs of the decades in a cappella barbershop harmony. What a delightful spot to be on a Maine summer day. 293-4779

#### Augusta

• Little Library Locations... During the summer months there will be access to FREE books 24 hours a day/7days a week in the following locations: Calumet Park, 182 Northern Ave; Cunningham Park, 15 North St; McCalls Park, 1st Ave; Williams Park, 11 Quimby St, and when open Buker Center, 22 Armory St. and Augusta Adult Education, 33 Union St. Take a book and/or leave a book, working on the honor system.

#### **Belgrade Lakes**

- Union Church is planning two communitywide educational programs this summer. Planning" will be offered on Thursday evening, July 26, 6 pm with speaker Gary Melville, Director of Development at the United Methodist Foundation New England. The program is free and open to the public. "Facing The Golden Years With Confidence" is a series of programs for the community. The first will be Tuesday, July 31, 6 pm and will focus on the New Tax Law and its implications for everyone. The speaker will be Joy M. Intriago, CPA.
- The 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance) is offering events throughout the summer as follows: 7/6, 2 pm -Owls of Maine with Chewonki staff; 7/11, 5:30 pm – Bees and Pollinators with Matt Scott; 7/17, 1 pm -Kids Fun With Secchi Disks (pre-register at 495-3617; parents required); 7/20, 10 am - Road Association Conference; 7/21, 7 am – Annual Loon Count; 7/24 – 2 pm – Predators with Chewonki; 7/25, 5:30 pm – History of Maine's Forestry; 7/31, 1 pm - Kids Workshop (adults required); 8/4, 1 am – 7 Lakes 5K Trail Run; 8/7, 2 pm – Bats of the World. Most programs are at the Maine Lakes Resource Center. 495-3617

#### **Farmington**

• Summer Fest 2018 - Old Tyme Fun! - will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28. Events include on Friday Farmington's Got Talent, all ages, free to enter; a concert - "Sunday Project;" Saturday a Children's Parade at 11 am; activities nonstop from 9 am-7 pm, live entertainment all day; the Great Float Race down the Sandy River at 1 pm; Kids K and 5K races in the evening; and a Dreamin' Big Bed Race at 7 pm. There will be downtown business specials and the Old Courthouse Food Court both days. 491-5533

#### Hinckley

• Bird Migration in the Planetarium! On Wednesday, July 25 at 7 pm join John Meader of Northern Stars Planetarium Services for a special presentation in his traveling inflatable planetarium. A full-dome world map illustrates important migration routes. See how the stars, magnetism, wind, land features and the sun all play a role affecting where different species go and how they get there. The program closes with a demonstration of birdcalls. \$5 admission. To reserve call 238-4250

#### **Oakland**

• On Wednesday, July 18, 6:30 pm, the Oakland Public Library will host author of "In the Path of Young Bulls," Thomas Jamrog, who will present experiences of his 5 months on the Continental Divide Trail (CDT), one of the toughest long distance hikes in the world. The 2500-mile trail starts in Mexico and travels along the spine of the Rockies into Canada. He has also completed the Pacific Coast Trail, 2650 miles, and the Appalachian Trail, 2200 miles. Tom lives in Lincolnville. Signed copies of his book will be on sale. 465-7533

#### Rome

• Rome Town Office announces changes, expanded hours for clerk. The Rome Board of Selectmen is pleased to welcome Town Clerk Abby DiPietro into an expanded capacity as Excise Tax Collector and Assistant to the Board of Selectmen. DiPietro was first elected as Town Clerk in 2017 with no municipal experience and worked quickly to establish a network across the region and to help move Rome in a positive direction. The staffing and hour changes will help ensure the smooth operation of the office for the convenience of its residents and taxpayers. Beginning July 9, office hours will be Monday through Thursday, 10 am-5 pm, and the first and third Saturday each month, 9-11:30 am. This adjustment does not impact the office hours for the Tax Collector/Treasurer which are Monday 6-8 pm and Tuesday and Thursday 9 am-1 pm. DiPietro can be reached at rometownclerk@outlook.com or 397-4011.

#### Skowegan

• The Lakewood Ladies Golf Association is sponsoring a Pink Ball Tournament to benefit the Redington-Fairview General Hospital Breast Cancer Treatment Program & Oncology Department on Thursday, July 26, 8:30 am Shotgun Start. This is a Ladies Event 18-Hole Golf Scramble. Cost is \$45 for nonmembers, \$30



## Dining

#### Augusta

• Riverfront Barbeque & Grille and Gin Mill Lounge, world class barbeque, seafood, pasta and vegetarian entrees, full service dining, catering, bulk take out, 300 Water Street, Augusta, www.riverfrontbbq.com, 622-8899

#### Belgrade

- Sadie's Boathouse Restaurant at Great Pond Marine, hearty contemporary American fare, 25 Marina Drive, Belgrade Lakes, 495-4045, 242-1273
- Spiro & Company, gourmet Greek food, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes Village, www.spiroandcompany.com, 441-2103
- The Village Inn and Tavern, 157 Main Street, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-3553, www.villageandtavern.com

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#### Waterville

• Colby College has been awarded a \$600,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to support the Colby Museum of Art's Lunder Institute for

• Winterberry Farm Café, homemade treats, pie, cookies, granola bars, grilled organic cheese sandwiches, veggies, drinks, Route 27, Belgrade, 649-3331

#### Oakland

- Alden Camps, lunch or dinner by reservation Saturday-Wednesday space permitting, lobster bakes on Friday night by reservation, 3 Alden Camps Cove, Oakland, www.aldencamps.com, 465-7703
- Riverside Farm Restaurant & Wine Market, simple, wholesome food and drink since 1990, 291 Fairfield Street, Oakland, www.riversidefarmmarket.com, 465-4439

#### Oakland - Wines & Spirits

• Tree Spirits, tasting room for award winning wines and spirits made from local apples, pears and maple syrup, tours available, 152 Fairfield Street, Oakland,

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American Art and its inaugural programming. The award will add depth to the institute's programs, which have already made an impact on Colby students and faculty, Waterville school children and visiting artists. The grant will significantly expand the college's ability to bring artists and scholars to Colby as the Lunder Institute is becoming the premier place for the study of American art. The Colby Museum of Art is free and open to the public. 859-5600

### Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed Receives Gift From The Snider Foundation

The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, a Species Program as the second most vulnerable non-profit organization dedicated to engaging the community in protecting and improving the lakes, ponds, and streams of the Cobbossee Watershed, has launched a 3-year campaign to fight invasive milfoil in Annabessacook Lake, and protect Cobbossee Lake from becoming infested. The Campaign (Cobbossee Annabessacook Milfoil Project) will remove invasive milfoil from Annabessacook Lake, conduct surveys of vulnerable areas of Cobbossee Lake, and engage the public in surveying the shoreline of both lakes. This work will cost an estimated \$250,000 over the next three years.

The infestation of variable milfoil (an aggressive invasive aquatic plant) was discovered near the boat launch in Annabessacook Lake in 2014. Since the Annabessacook Improvement Association (ALIA), Cobbossee Watershed District (CWD), and the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed have worked with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection to locate the invasive plants and prevent them from spreading. BUT THE PROBLEM IS GROW-ING! Variable milfoil can spread quickly, forming thick mats, and has no natural enemies, pathogens, or diseases to keep it in check. It can reduce recreational opportunities and property values, and can impact businesses that rely on a clean, healthy lake. Approximately 45% of each lake (Annabessacook and Cobbossee), is vulnerable to becoming infested, and Cobbossee has been identified by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection Invasive Aquatic

lake to invasive aquatic plants, statewide!

NOW is the time to act on this infestation! Year one (2018) of the Milfoil Action Plan for this infestation includes removal of variable milfoil from Annabessacook Lake, surveying for variable milfoil in both lakes, engaging and empowering shorefront property owners to prevent and spot variable milfoil, and educating the public about the campaign and what they can do to help. This Action Plan will require approximately \$250,000 over the next three years, and thanks to the support from The Snider Foundation, the Cobbossee Annabessacook Milfoil Project is \$32,500 closer to reaching its goal!

The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed would like to thank the Snider Foundation for putting its support behind this important project, and to all the donors who have already stepped up to support these efforts. This project needs ALL shorefront property owners, businesses, and people who use and love these lakes to participate. If you are interested in making a donation, you can go to the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed's website (watershedfriends.com) and please note C.A.M.P. for your donation. We are also looking for shorefront property owners to host informational sessions about the project and to attend plant identification workshops to learn how to spot invasive variable milfoil. Any questions should be directed to Toni Pied, Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed's Director of Development and Membership, toni@watershedfriends.com.



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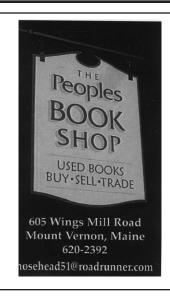
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#### ADIRONDACK CHAIRS

Maine Adirondack Chairs, 97 Holman Day Road, Vassalboro, 620-2592, www.maineadirondackchairs.com

#### **ANTIQUES**

Hathaway Mill Antiques, Multi-Dealer Emporium, 10 Water Street, Waterville, 877-0250, www.athawaymillantiques.com

#### **ART**

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

#### **ART AND OFFICE SUPPLIES**

**Berry's Stationers,** 835-B Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland. 716-1076

#### **BANKING**

**Skowhegan Savings Bank,** 450 Civic Center Drive, Route 27, Augusta, 1-800-303-9511, 623-2300, www.skowsavings.com

#### **BEVERAGES**

**Tree Spirits,** 152 Fairfield Street, Oakland, 861-2723, www.treespiritsofmaine.com

#### **BICYCLES**

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

#### **BOAT COVERS**

Covers It All Upholstery, 1042 Kennedy Memorial Dr, Oakland, 465-7847, www.watervilleupholstery.com

#### **BOAT LIFTS**

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemiquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 1866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

#### **BOAT MOORINGS**

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

#### **BOAT RENTALS**

**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

Clark Marine, 57 Puddledock Road, Manchester,

#### **BOAT SALES AND SERVICES**

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 Drive, Oakland, 465-2146, www.mid-mainemarine.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

Great Pond Marina, 25 Marina Drive, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, www.greatpondmarina.com
Hamlin's Marine, 290 West River Road,

Waterville, 872-5660, www.hamlinsmarine.com
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* The People's Book Shop, 605 Wings Mill Road, Belgrade/Mt. Vernon, 620-2392, *nosehead@roadrunner.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

#### **BUILDING MATERIALS**

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemiquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 1866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

#### **CAMP JACKING**

John Webster, Jacking and Leveling, 32 Webster Way, Belgrade. 495-2965

#### **COMPUTER CONSULTANTS**

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

#### **DINING**

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#### **DOCKS**

**G&L Contracting,** 116 Lakeshore Drive, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2325, 215-7951, 233-7408, gandlcontractingmaine.com

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#### **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**

**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.golden-pondwealth.com

#### **FIREWOOD**

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

#### **FLOORING**

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Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemaquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

#### **GENERATORS**

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

#### **HEALTH CENTERS**

**Belgrade Regional Health Center,** 4 Clement Way, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3323, www.healthreachchc.org, belgradechc.org

#### **HOME CARE**

**Assistance Plus,** 1-800-781-0070 ext. 408, www.assistanceplus.com

#### **INSECT CONTROL**

Mosquito Banditos,

mosquitobanditos-maine.com, 613-5656

#### **JEWELRY**

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#### **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* 

#### **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/

#### **PAINTING**

**Innovative Painting LLC.,** Epoxy Sales & Services, 462-4822, *jonesbrian67@yahoo.com* 

#### PHYSICAL THERAPY

**Dockside Physical Therapy,** 47 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3195, 512-2544, Fax 512-2545 Take it Outside continued from page 5.... especially if you have young kids or grandkids. I frequently meet visitors from these camps on our lakes and many of them eventually become permanent residents after years of visits. I recently met Kurt and Christie Dietland on the lake, who were spending the week at Castle Island Camps for at least the 12th time. I know they were catching fish because



Alan Pouliot of Fairfield and his 45-inch, 28.5-pound pike caught in Long Pond

#### PIANO ENJOYMENT

**Diane Gorman,** 191B Bartlett Road, Belgrade, 495-3222

#### REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS

North Bay Estates, Belgrade, 649-3749, crgsnbe@yahoo.com

#### **REAL ESTATE**

**Day's Real Estate**, 262 Augusta Road, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3111, www.daysrealestate.com **Hoang Realty**, 31 Western Ave., Augusta, 623-0623, www.hoangrealty.com

**LakeHome Group,** Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2500,

**Lakepoint Real Estate,** 221 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3700, www.belgradelakepoint.com

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Avenue, Augusta, 623-1123, www.spragueandcurtis.com

#### LODGING RESERVATIONS

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Changes?
Updates?
New contact information?
Please let us know...
mo.breault@gmail.com
or ebelnews@earthlink.net

they were anchored at one of my favorite spots.

In my first "Take it Outside" column of this year I published a picture of a 22-inch salmon I caught below the dam in Belgrade Lakes that bore scars from being attacked by a large pike. For those who wonder what a pike that would attack a 22-inch salmon might look like, check out the pike caught by Alan Pouliot of Fairfield last weekend. Alan caught his 45-in, 28.5-lb monster within 50 yards of where I caught my pike-scarred salmon in April. Alan learned to fish as a toddler when his grandfather, Leo Lanteigne, an avid fisherman, "took Alan outside" fishing when he could barely walk. Now Alan makes all his own custom spoons and fishes all over Maine with his wife, Paulia.

This area offers some great outdoor recreation, whether you like to hike, bike, birdwatch, fish, sail, or paddle a canoe or kayak. Pick up a map of the local trails at Day's Store or from the 7 Lakes Alliance at the Maine Lakes Resource Center (MLRC). Also, please check the 7-LA FaceBook page for details on some interesting events scheduled this summer (https://www.facebook.com/belgradelakes/ ). They will have presentations by Chewonki on Owls of Maine (July 6, 2PM) and Predators (July 24th, 2 PM), and a talk by Matt Scott on bees and native pollinators (July 11 5:30 PM) and one by Lloyd Irland on Maine Forestry (July 25 at 5:30). There will be many other interesting events through the summer. Check the web site and keep an eye on the sign out front. And make sure you take a kid along on your next outdoor adventure.

#### **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

#### **SCHOOLS**

**St. Michael School,** grades pre-K 3-year-old through 8th, 56 Sewell Street, Augusta, 623-3491, www.smsmaine.org

#### **SECURITY SYSTEMS**

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

#### **SURVEYING**

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#### WINDOWS

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## A Midwife's Tale by Laurel Thatcher Ulrich

by Martha F. Barkley

II The Life of Martha Ballard, Based on Her Diary, ▲ 1785-1812" makes a clear cover explanation of this very splendid Pulitzer Prize in history for 1991. You may have seen the fine American Experience adaptation of this biography in 1997.

Ballard was portrayed by film actress Kaiulani Sewell Lee who also portrayed Rachel Carson that was debuted at the Waterville Opera House in A Sense of Wonder. We loved the Q&A with actress Lee and Roger Christy, Carson's nephew, following the help you find their first and second farm locales, as showing of this one person play. Lee has spent her well. career acting Rachel Carson's A Sense of Wonder.

Kelly and Dunning Prizes, etc.) were earned by Ulrich in this local Hallowell story about a woman who delivered 816 babies over 27 years and recorded every event in her hand-sewn diary. Just like the buried... hand-sewn books that Benjamin Franklin's sister recorded in her Book of Ages as author Jill Lepore explores in her unique history as well. Benjamin wrote more letters to his younger sister than anyone else! Read that story, too...

I hold my 1991 Vintage paperback about Ballard in my hand as I pull it off the shelf in our lakeside camp and recall in vivid detail my original reading about this extraordinary woman. My husband Frank and I drive the Augusta Road often passing the Ballard Horse Stables on the right, then we bare left at the light on the Old Belgrade Road where you can

still find Ballard Rd. on the right. The big Ballard barn is there on that short road and can be more easily seen from the Augusta Mall just above Sam's on the hill. Jonathan Ballard's home has a plaque near the front door commemorating his mother Martha where she lived her last years and died. It is along the Old Belgrade Road to the right just across from the bank. That triangle area was the third Ephraim Ballard Farm. Many maps in A Midwife's Tale will

The historic cemetery was preserved when the More than half a dozen other prizes (Bancroft, Augusta Mall was built. You can find it easily as you go to the movie theatre and note the black fence around the high corner lot: many Ballard headstones are within, but no one knows where Martha is

> Her one trip to testify at the Pownalboro Courthouse gave my husband and I another short field trip from Belgrade. Days and days of testimony were required, so Ballard and her husband Ephraim were there for quite a spell. That well preserved courthouse is wonderful to visit. The winter ice cutting industry has a beautiful model to view. Also, John Adams, our second President, managed to trek to that courthouse via horseback one time. The long difficult trip by land was enough for his impatient lawyering practice according to David McCullough in his Pulitzer history of John Adams.

I understand that there was a Manchester Ballard meat business that I had not visited yet...always another historic connection.

Back to the detailed diary..."When it opened in 1785, she knew how to manufacture salves, syrups, pills, teas, and ointments, how to prepare an oil emulsion (she called it an 'oil a mulge'), how to poultice wounds, dress burns, treat dysentery, sore throat, frostbite, measles, colic, 'hooping Cough,' 'Chin cough,' 'St. Vitas dance,' ...as well as deliver babies.". Her deep and thorough knowledge was probably gained from her physician uncle Abijah Moore, Yale graduate in 1726, and her younger brother Jonathan, Harvard graduate in 1761. "By Oxford standards, the Moores were well educated and ambitious." Martha persisted in a life long correspondence with her brother Jonathan.

The list of maps and the abundance of charts within the diary story will help the casual reader to grasp how astounding Martha Ballard's daily diary is. Her records of crossing the frozen Kennebec River to attend a healthy baby delivery are numerous. Sounds like Topsy, doesn't it? The statistics of her 27 years are compared to London births and many other cities. She truly outdid the male physicians of the day. Read A Midwife's Tale and find out that I am not exaggerating her accomplishments one iota...also visit some of the local Martha Ballard sites. Fort Western even has a special Martha Ballard tour,



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NEW LISTING-AUGUSTA - Lovely 3 BD 1.5 BA Cape style home, very nice east side neighborhood Close to schools, playground, Hannaford. Beautiful hardwood floors, formal DR, 1/2 BA, kitchen and LR w/brick fireplace on 1st fl. 3 BD and full BA upstairs. Oversized 1 car garage plus car port. Large attic space for potential room. Great home! MLS #1357647 \$139,900



MANCHESTER - Very nice 3BR, 1BA Ranch style home, private setting in Manchester. Recent updates include kitchen w/granite counter tops, beautiful new tiled shower, new FR and great room in the basement, new flooring. Large garage and more! MLS#1355837 \$235,000



close to the Hospital, Cancer Center, and Augusta Marketplace. This home is 3-4BR, nice kitchen, very spacious, nice sun porch on 2nd floor, and well loved. Very convenient location and great price MLS# 1358385 \$129,900



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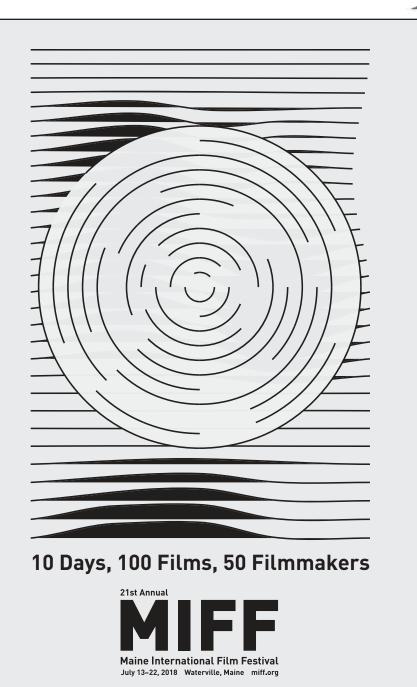
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### A Decade of Classical Concerts: The Atlantic Music Festival Returns

by Grgor Smith

Now in its tenth year, the Atlantic Music Festival has brought nearly 200 classical musicians to Colby College's idyllic campus for four weeks in July to study, practice, rehearse, and perform. Starting on Saturday, July 7, they will present over 20 concerts, all of which are open to the public without charge.

The musicians are all students, faculty, and fellows in the AMF Institute, which, as the AMF website states, "offers programs for composers, conductors, instrumentalists, and singers. Those admitted to the AMF Institute receive lessons, coachings, master classes, and have opportunities to perform alongside world renowned artist-faculty members throughout the festival season."

The students, who pay tuition, and the fellows, who receive full scholarship, range in age from their late teens to their late thirties. Most are either attending a conservatory or have recently started their careers as professional musicians. They are guided by seasoned faculty from the finest orchestras and conservatories.

Three quarters of this year's students and fellows come from North America — almost all from the U.S. and a few from Canada — and another fifth come from Asia, mainly from China, but also from Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and South Korea. The remainder hail from Sweden, Ecuador, and the United Kingdom.

A hallmark of the festival is new music. Thanks to its Composition Program, which nur-

Opera workshop

tures up-and-coming and experienced composers alike, the festival has presented over 300 world premières during its first nine years, and expects to present at least 40 more this year.

Thus, it is fitting that the festival's first concert this year will be of new music. That performance will take place this Saturday, July 7, at 1:00 p.m. in Colby's Lorimer Chapel. Subsequent new music performances will be held on Thursday, July 12, and Tuesday, July 17, both at 7:00 p.m. and also in the chapel.

The festival's second hallmark is its chamber music performances. Each of these concerts presents a varied selection of works, spanning the centuries. One might hear a 18th-century work for string quartet, followed by a 21st-century piece for brass quintet, and then a 19th-century art song for piano and solo voice. This year, there will be seven chamber concerts; the first will be this Saturday at 7:00 in Lorimer Chapel. The

other six, which will also be held at 7:00 in the chapel, will be on the next three Wednesdays, July 11, 18, & 25; on Fridays, July 20 & 27; and on Saturday, July 21.

After the two opening concerts, festival participants will take a break from performing until the chamber music recital on Wednesday, July 11. From that night on, however, there will be a concert nearly every night — at press time, July 15 & 16 were the only nights with no performances scheduled — until the festival closes on Saturday, July 28. Except where otherwise noted, these performances will take place in Lorimer Chapel and will start at 7:00.

Lovers of vocal music will be able to hear members of the AMF Opera Workshop present individual scenes from beloved operas on Friday, July 13, and a complete baroque opera, Dido and Aeneas, by Henry Purcell (1659 – 1695), on Thursday, July 26. This latter performance will include props, costumes, and some set pieces, and both performances will take place in Strider Theater in the Runnals Building. The singers will also present an evening of art songs, i.e. songs written or arranged to be performed by classically trained singers in a concert hall, in the chapel on Thursday, July 19.

Pianophiles will also get a triptych, with recitals on Saturday, July 14, at 3:00 and on Monday and Tuesday, July 23 & 24, at 7:00. The

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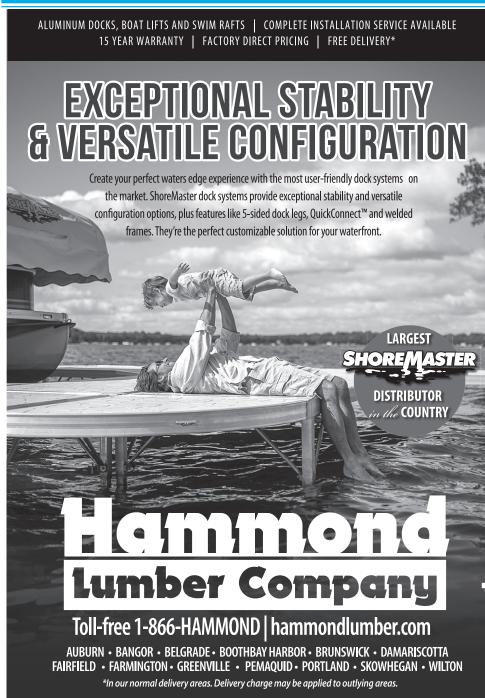


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