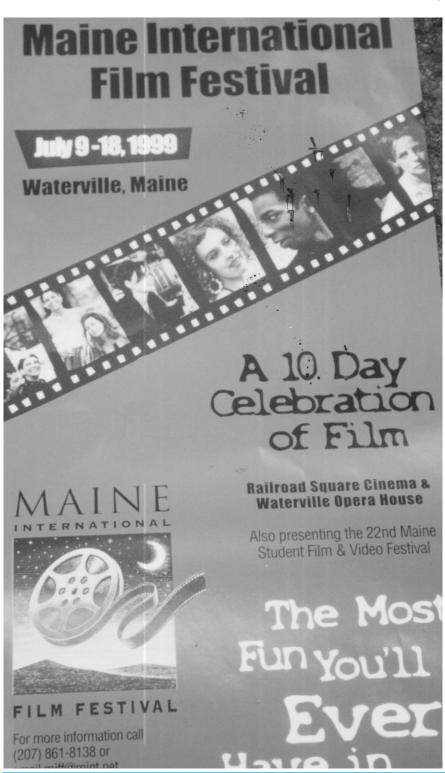
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MIFF 2018: Let This Be The Year To Go

by Esther J. Perne



he Maine International Film Festival: This is the weekend (July 13) that a unique opportunity for moviegoing returns to central Maine for ten days, when films from all over the world, the country, the state congregate into one streamlined schedule, one celebration of producers, directors and actors, one occasion when anyone can obtain a ticket and embark on a tradition of being part of MIFF.

Being part of MIFF, mingling with an impressive representation of the film industry, standing in line with diverse and devoted MIFF followers and casual moviegoers, watching films and attending events, that's what keeps MIFF strong, consistent and successful and that's what launched it.

In 1998 the first Maine International Film Festival was introduced. The 10-day event included workshops, seminars, a great logo of the mountains, the moon, the stars and a reel above, and over 30 carefully selected films. The early organizers – some of whom are still highly involved - documented audience reaction as an indication of what people in Maine really wanted from a film festival.

They wanted the films they wouldn't ordinarily get to see and they wanted the people behind the films who they wouldn't ordinarily get to meet. They wanted current previews and premieres and winners from other film festivals, and they wanted the historic, the lesser known, the early greats they thought they would never get to see, and the nostalgic reruns.



When MIFF was launched!

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Early organizers, still organizers: Alan Sanborn and Ken Eisen

But what filmgoers wanted most in a festival, in MIFF, those first reviews showed, was accessibility: the world coming to Waterville, Maine films on the schedule, locations constant, and showings reliable.

Over the years, MIFF retained all of the above and added much more, expanding to nearly 100 films, adding more and more special guests, live music, parties, awards, more and more pass holders, volunteers, regulars, one-nighters.

Now in its 21st year, MIFF is providing all the basics that have made it great and the conveniences of ever-increasing electronic access. There are many packages, passes, etc. for Miff-long film enjoyment and there is the option to just hop in the car and spend an evening with MIFF. It is the latter that summer visitors and vacationers are encouraged to do. Get up off the dock, dress casual, eat later – in company with some unexpected film shakers and movers.

This is the year, the summer, the season to take advantage of a unique Film Festival.

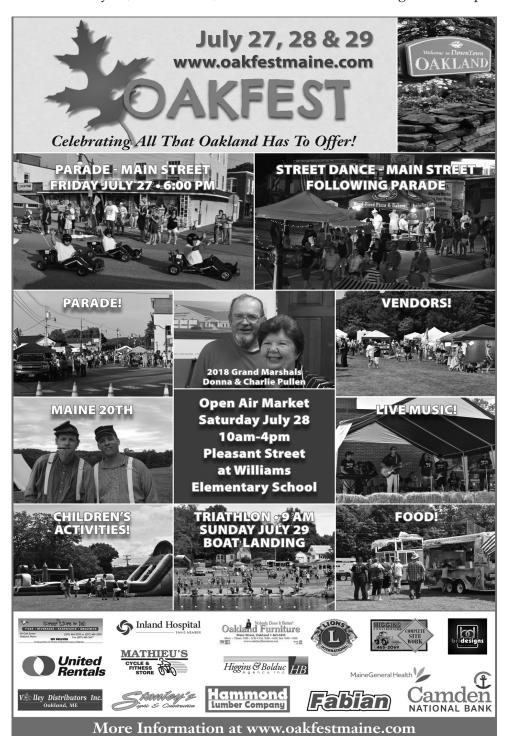


Early ads, logos and symbols.

Miss MIFF!

opportunity, to start a personal or family tradition, to delve into the world of film, a world that does not have to be pursued since it is as close as Waterville's Railroad Square Theater and historic Waterville Opera House.

This is the year to go - to discover and enjoy - the Maine International





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Remembering Alan Charles and his Love of the Lakes



Thether you're a summer visitor, a seasonal resident, or you call it **V** home year-round, you likely share our sentiment that the Belgrade Lakes is nothing short of Heaven on Earth. When our dad, Alan Charles, who grew up in Oakland and spent summers on Messalonskee and Salmon Lakes, found a perfect little lot on the Western shore of Great Pond, he set to work building his own little slice of heaven; a humble A-frame camp which he envisioned as a gathering place for his immediate and extended family (we, his children, were not yet a twinkle in his eye). Designed by his cousin and architect Tom Reilly, who has his own camp on Long Pond, construction was completed on the Charles Camp in 1971, and promptly became Dad's refuge, the recreational destination of his family, and the preferred location for all summertime birthdays and celebrations.

As children, our entire summers were spent at the A-Frame, and we had the privilege of the best of "lake life." Early morning trolling off of Hoyt's for salmon, night fishing off the dock for perch, canoe paddles into the shallows, loon lullabies, watching storms drift across the lake followed by double rainbows over the island, hammock swings, building forts in the woods and OH.SO.MUCH.SWIMMING. So many of these experiences were quietly shepherded by Dad, who delighted in our joy while also instilling in us a reverence for the beauty and fragility of our playland. He invited us to stop and observe the natural world, and often marveled out loud about things like patterns in the water, cloud formations, the color of leaves, and would reminisce about the astounding number of loons he used to see crossing the lake in the 70's.

Dad created this little paradise for us, largely by hand in fact, but even more remarkable was his commitment to sharing it with others, and being a steward of the entire Belgrade Lakes Watershed. This commitment led him to be exceptionally involved in the many organizations that work on these efforts in the Belgrade Lakes, to which he dedicated countless volunteer hours. He served on the board of the Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA) and coordinated volunteers for the annual raffle, was a volunteer inspector at area boat launches to prevent the proliferation of milfoil, joined water quality testing initiatives, and participated in the annual loon count. He Continued on page 13...



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—The Luckiest Boy—

A Village Stroll in 1959 – Part I

by Rod Johnson

In 2014 I wrote a little piece called "Things They Are a Changin'." It was in $oldsymbol{1}$ the Summertime News and incorporated into The Luckiest Boy Season II that fall. The story was a walking narrative with historic content, given by pretending we were taken back to 1959 as we strolled up and down Main Street of Belgrade Lakes. After starting from the bridge by the dam, we proceeded southerly through the village and viewed the homes and spoke to some owners on the Long Pond side of the street. Time ran short just after reaching the triangle where Route 27 and West Road split. It was the last Summertime story of the year so had to be left there, with good intentions to continue our stroll the next Spring. Other stories took precedence in the spring of 2015, and it is past time that we complete our journey back down to the bridge. Thanks for being patient, apparently things don't happen too fast here. We are in no rush so our return to the dam may be a slow and wordy one. Let's start where we left off at the triangle and cross Route 27 to what is now 39 Main Street and Hello Good Pie. After each house or building, I will tell you what exists today along with some italicized comments.

It is May, 1959 and we are standing in our little group beside a white house just south of the Catholic Church. Before we delve into a lengthy paragraph or two about the white house we are now looking at, I want to tell you about another home that is nearly hidden in the woods, sitting just south of us on a knoll directly across from the blue colored storage buildings, only seen directly from Route 27 when passing by. It is the home of Harold and Flossie Webster, long time Belgrade residents who have raised 3 boys there, Maurice, David and John. Harold has started the Great Pond Marina down at the south end of the cove near the Belgrade Camp Ground. He builds cedar wooden boats in his cellar in the winter, is a trapper and hunter. He and his boys run the water mail route on Great Pond, and son David continued that to become the somewhat infamous mailman after the movie On Golden Pond was popular. After

Harold's death, the home was eventually sold. The Zambelli family has owned the house for 40 years or so where they have brought up their children Steve and Deanna there. The campground I spoke of is now the location of the newer Belgrade Community Center which replaced an earlier version near the current fire station, just south of the village.

While still standing in the same spot, we ponder the path entrance to the home of my Uncle Albert and Aunt Lydia Johnson. It is Spring, and they have just returned from their winter migration to Florida. Their turquoise and white 1957 Chevrolet station wagon sits on the lawn next to the Catholic Church as they pick away at unloading it from the long trip home. They were one of the first families to leave Belgrade in the winter looking for some steady employment until Spring returned. They have been doing the snow bird migrations since 1952. Lydia and Albert have three children, Cary, Carol and Chris, who is a newborn this year. They will open their gift shop, The Brass Knocker, that consumes most of the first floor rooms in their house, and get ready for the tourist season. Albert will do camp work and sell fishing bait from their cellar to make ends meet, as well as help Lydia with setting up the gift shop. They both have endless energy and work until midnight many nights. After a few welcoming words with the Johnson family we migrate along to see what is next on our hit list, though the history of this family could occupy many hours My grandfather Ernest and two of his sons, my father Clifford and uncle Albert built the house after WWII in 1948-1949. Ernest was getting along in years and died in 1952, but cut every stick of lumber for the entire house with a hand saw, as the two younger sons nailed it together. You may admire the house as a simple cape with acorn dormers on the street side and a wooden fan painted black over the front entrance. (Grampa J. built the fan as Lydia had always coveted the idea of having one over the door). The gift shop

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Take It Outside -

This past week included some record-setting heat that resulted in a lot of water-based activities over the Fourth-of-July. One of my daughters, her husband, and a couple of friends came to hang out by the lake. My son-in-law, Taber, rode his bicycle up from Brunswick that morning and was in the lake with a cold drink within minutes of reaching the house.

Last week I talked a bit about the importance of our local sporting camps to our lake community. Another set of camps that introduces new visitors to our area are the youth camps that bring in not only the kids but also their parents. Some of these camps have been on our lakes for more than a century (e.g. Pine Island Camp, and Camp Runoia) and many of their alumni have retired here. Other camps include Pine Tree Camp on North Pond, Camps Matoaka and Manitou on East Pond, Camps Tracy and Modin on McGrath Pond-Salmon Lake, New England Music Camp on Messalonskee, and the Boy Scouts' Camp Bombazeen on Great Pond. Even camps that don't exist anymore such as the former tennis camp on Taconnet Island and former Camp Kennebec on Salmon Lake have sizeable populations of alumni that have settled permanently in our community with friends they have known for decades. Good water quality is important to all these groups and they are all strong supporters of the local lake associations, and other conservation organizations such as the 7-LA (former BRCA and MLRC). Each of these groups brings a different wrinkle to our unique community and a slightly different sense of place but all

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Fishing, Hiking, and Kids Camps. by Pete Kallin



Taber and Joanie Newton relaxing in the water on the Fourth.



Hikers from Camp Modin, on land Pine Island Camp helped conserve



















Reproduction saltbox provides vintage charm and contemporary amenities

WINDSOR - A little way up the long, curving drive to this remarkable home, there's a cool chicken coop made of repurposed local barnboard from the 1800s. The coop (uninhabited just now) serves as a perfect "greeter"

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The kitchen is a joy, with granite counters, "hidden" Bosch dishwasher and SubZero fridge, and lovely custom cabinetry. All flooring is widepine, with wrought-iron nails. Hand-hewn ceiling beams are repurposed; hardware is blacksmithforged.

The two brick, wood-burning fireplaces include one in a first-floor master bedroom that makes singlelevel living an option, and has a full

bath adjacent. The two upstairs bedrooms are served by a full bath with

- Some additional points of interest: • Were there mud rooms in 1820? This home has a beauty, in any case.
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- 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
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- 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
- Kennebec Historical Society, Wednesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, www.kennebechistorical.org, 107 Winthrop Street
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- Maine State Library, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/, State Street
- Museum in the Streets, walking/history tour, www.augustamaine.gov, Water Street/downtown.
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- 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 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 9:15 am, 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

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

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- 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
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- Farmers' Market, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common
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- Waterfront Park, deck/walkway on Kennebec River, North Water Street

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KINGFIELD

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

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MONMOUTH

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

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- Farmers' Market, Wednesday 3-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-1 pm,

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- $\begin{tabular}{l} \bullet \begin{tabular}{l} Museum in the Streets, downtown history/walking tour, \\ www.themuseum in the streets.com/waterville.htm \end{tabular}$
- 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,

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• Farmers' Market, 685-4657,

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

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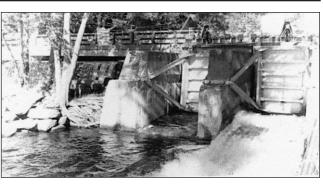
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The Dams Keeper Report

The Belgrades did receive a paltry 1.24" of precipitation over the past 5 days, but unfortunately not the 4.88" which had been forecasted. Once again everything went south of us. Great Pond is currently 5" below full pond with both gates still completely closed. Long Pond is 3.24" also below full with Gate 1 closed and Gate 2 opened just 2" to satisfy the minimum required 8 cfs. Salmon/McGrath is 5" below full. Last year at this time, Great Pond was 2" above full pond, 7" above where we are today. Long Pond was 1.44" above as well and 4.68" above today's level.

With the surface water temperatures currently at 76.4F and along with the lack of precipitation, the evaporation levels are taking their toll. And as of this writing, the forecast for the next 10 days is a paltry .24" of precipitation.

The good news is that the relatively cool water temperatures are wicked "refreshing" on a hot day and an excellent antidote to those blue-green algae like Gloeotrichia that do not care for temperatures below 80F – a lot like many of us!

So we could still use a rain dance or two if you're up to it! It's also great aerobic activity I'm told!

Enjoy the family, your vacation and this beautiful weather!

Dick Greenan

Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee

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was moved to space in the Village Inn for 20 seasons or so, and eventually came home to roost at 39 Main Street—but in a newly built separate building now occupied by Hello Good Pie. You may know the property as the Brass Knocker Gift Shop where the dressed geese resided on the lawn some years back and today we know it as 39 Main Street, a bed and breakfast, also an evening eatery. The smaller building is occupied by Hello Good Pie. Lydia and Al continued their migrations until Al passed away in 1998 and Lydia continued until her death in 2011 at the age of 93. She amassed a total of 62 consecutive years of living in Belgrade Lakes and Boca Raton, Florida. We barely scratched the surface here of the family or the house. For more on this ask Cary, Carol or Chris Johnson some day when you both have lots of time.

Note: We are just getting started and hope you follow us weekly until we have finished our journey.



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- Calendar —

Friday 7/13 through Sunday 7/22 - Maine International Film Festival (MIFF), 21st Annual, 10 days, 100 films, 50 filmmakers, full daily schedules, miff.org, Waterville.

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

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

Thursday 7/12 through Sunday 7/15 – ASAM Summer Spectacular Horse Show, free and open to the public, covered arena, barns to visit, concessions, 413 657-3322, Skowhegan Fairgrounds, Route 201 North, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

Friday 7/13 and Saturday 7/14 – Le Festival de la Bastille, great line-up of live music, children's activities, food, \$5 per person, under 18 free, Pete Gagne Fields, Old Belgrade Road, Augusta.

Friday 7/13 – Little Pat Colwell Band, 6 pm, Summer Waterfront Concert Series, sponsored by Johnson Hall, 582-7144, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Friday 7/13 - "Poems of Holman Day," by Mark McPheters of the Fairfield Historical Society covering the life and works of the prolific Maine writer, part of Central Maine Writes summer exhibit series, 7 pm, at 4:30 pm enjoy a traditional Grange Supper - \$8 each, 238-4250, Victor Grange, Route 23, Fairfield.

Friday 7/14 – Atlantic Music Festival, Opera Workshop Music, free, open to the public, 7 pm, 888-704-1311, Strider Theater, Runnals Building, Colby College, Waterville.

Friday 7/13 - New England Music Camp Student Honor Recital, open to the public and free of charge, everyone welcome, 7:30 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, NEMC, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/14 – Annual 5K Road Race to benefit the Belgrade Public Library, 8 am, 495-3508, Belgrade Central School, Depot Road, Belgrade.

Saturday 7/14 – Maine-ly Harmony annual fundraiser yard sale, plants, food, many diverse items, music by the chorus and quartets, 9 am-3 pm, 293-4779, Hill Gardens, Route 3, Palermo.

Saturday 7/14 – One-day introduction to Linocut Workshop, 10 am-3 pm, \$75 with supplies included, circlingthesquarepress.com, 582-6600, Circling the Square Fine Art Press, 275 Water Street, Gardiner.

Saturday 7/14 – Maine Wildlife Authors, Tamra Wight ("Cooper & Packrat"), Melissa Kim ("Wildlife on the Move") and Lyn Smith ("A Porcupine's Promenade") will give presentations about wildlife and read from their books, 11 am-2 pm, 657-4977, Maine Wildlife Park, Gray.

Saturday 7/14 - 5th Annual Public Drive Thru Chicken Barbecue 11:30 am til gone, \$9, 948-2455, Unity United Methodist Church, corner of Main and Depot Streets, Unity.

Saturday 7/14 – Colby College Museum of Art Summer Luncheon, to celebrate and support the Colby Museum's exhibitions and educational programs, 859-5600, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Saturday 7/14 – "The Drawing Game," originally played by the Surrealists in the 1920s and known as "The Exquisite Corpse," a paper is folded 3 times and each participant draws a section of a creature, without seeing what the previous artist drew, 1-2 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Saturday 7/14 - "The True Story of Little Red," family show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston

Hall, Main Street, The Theater At Monmouth.

Saturday 7/14 – Atlantic Music Festival, piano recital, 3 pm, free and open to the public, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Saturday 7/14 – New England Music Camp Concert, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, Bowl in the Pines, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/14 - Atlantic Music Festival, Orchestra, 7 pm, open to the public free, 888-704-1311, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Saturday 7/14 – Union Coffeehouse presents Bill Berlinghoff, central Maine's consummate folk singer, refreshments available, \$5 donation, 7 pm, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Saturday 7/14 – "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/15 – Community Day at Colby College Museum of Art, refreshments, tours, live music with Gent Treadly, games, noon to 2 pm, 859-5600, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Sunday 7/15 - New England Music Camp Student Concert at Bowl in the Pines, 3 pm, free to the public, everyone welcome, in case of rain concert still scheduled, 465-3025, Route 23, Sidney.

Sunday 7/15 – Reception and artists' talk, 11th annual exhibit of seven artists from Artdogs Studios, 4-6 pm, 582-6600, Circling the Square Fine Art Press, 275 Water Street, Gardiner.

Sunday 7/15 – Brian Richmond and Hope Savage, Coburn Park Concert Series, 5-6:15 pm, 474-0527, Philbrick Gazebo, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Sunday 7/15 - Dinner on the Farm, delicious family-friendly meal, live music, contra

dance, children's activities, tours, products for sale, 5 pm, 649-3331, Winterberry Farm, Route 27, Belgrade.

Monday 7/16 - Annual Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament to benefit the Kennebec Leadership Institute, 10 am shotgun start, kennebecvalleychamber.com, Augusta Country Club, Route 202, Manchester.

Tuesday 7/17 – Mad Science of Maine, "Sounds Like Science, explore the science of sound, free and open to the public, 10-11 am, 495-3508, Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/17 – Kids Fun With Secchi Disks, parents required, must pre-register 495-3617, 1 pm, The Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/17 - Quarry Road Summer Race Series, 5K 6 pm, fun run for 12 and under 5:30 pm, awards August 23, www.quarry-roadraces.com, Waterville.

Tuesday 7/17 - Atlantic Music Festival, new music, free and open to the public, 7 pm, 859-4353, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Tuesday 7/17 – Free outdoor family movie, "Wonder," 474-3621, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Wednesday 7/18– Public supper, entrée, beverage, homemade dessert, 5 pm, Fairview Grange, Route 8, Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/18 – Waterfront Wednesday Concert, "Nikki Hunt Band," 6 pm-sunset, Waterfront Park, Water Street, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/18 - "In the Path of Young Bulls" author Thomas Jamrog presents experiences of 5 months on the 2500-mile Continental Divide Trail, Mexico to Canada, signed copies of book on sale, 6:30 pm, 465-7533, Public Library, Oakland.

Wednesday 7/18 – Chamber Music, Atlantic









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Wednesday 7/18 - New England Music Camp Honor Camper Recital, open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 7:30 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, NEMC, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

Wednesday 7/18 - "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Main Street, The Theater At Monmouth.

Thursday 7/19 – Uptah Camp, a multi-media presentation of Maine Sporting Camps by Bernard Fishman of the Maine State Museum, 7 pm, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Thursday 7/19 through Sunday 7/22 – The Wall That Heals, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica and Mobile Education Center, 202-393-0090, Gardiner Common, 2 Dresden Avenue, Gardiner.

Thursday 7/19 and Friday 7/20 – "Enchanted April," Thursday preview, Friday opens, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Thursday 7/19 through Sunday 7/22 – "The Irish...And How They Got That Way," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 7/19 – Music on Lake Messalonskee, at the gazebo, 6-9 pm, boat landing, Oakland Waterfront Park, Belgrade Road, Oakland.

Thursday 7/19 – Atlantic Music Festival, an evening of art songs, 7 pm, free and open to the public, 888-704-1311, www.atlanticmusicfestival.org, Strider Theater, Runnals Union, Colby College, Waterville.

Le Festival de la Bastille in Augusta July 13 and 14

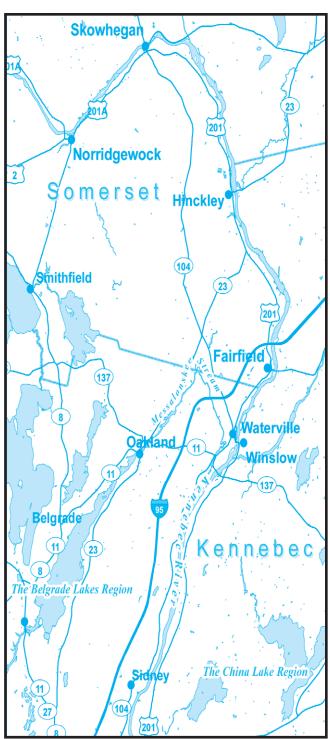
elebrate Bastille Day with great French and Quebec music, children's and family activities, a chicken barbecue and a lot of fun...and Fireworks both nights.

Le Festival de la Bastille will be held at the Pete Gagne Fields, 65 Old Belgrade Road, starting at 5:30 pm on Friday and 2 pm on Saturday. Following opening ceremonies on Friday, three music groups will perform: JimmyJo & the Jumbol'ayuhs, new to the festival, 6-7:30 pm; Jean Guy Piche et La Tournee du Bonheur, 7:45-9:15 pm; and, following the Fireworks, Rene Turgeon, also new to the festival, 9:30-11 pm.

On Saturday, there will be a Children's Program (bounce house, magician, etc.) 2-4 pm and a Chicken BBQ 4-5 pm. The entertainment will start at 4-5 pm with La Releve Beauceronne avec Louise Mailhot; La Famille LeBlanc, 5-6 pm; Rene Turgeon, 6:15-7:45 pm; and Les Jerrets Noir, new to the festival, 8-9:30 pm. Fireworks will be held at 9:30 pm.

The price of admission is \$5 per day; under 18 is free.

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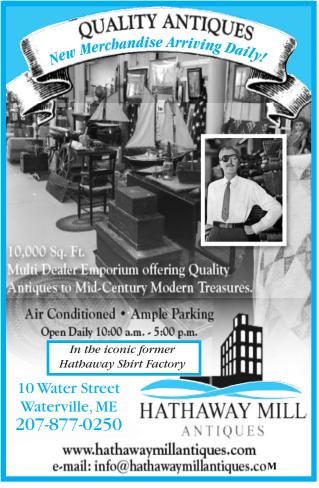


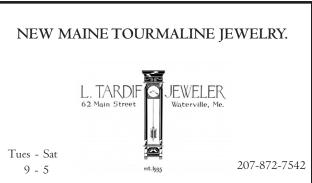
Community Day: An Invitation From Colby Museum

July 15, 2018, noon-4 pm Colby College Museum of Art

Join us for Community Day as we open our summer exhibitions with themed refreshments, ice cream from Stone Fox, food from The Lost Noodle, printmaking with Pickwick Independent Press, outdoor games, curator and docent-led tours, along with live music sponsored by Paul J. Schupf LL.D.'06: Gent Treadly. This program is free and open to the public.

Join our Museum Docent Robert Nicholson on a "Hidden Meanings" tour. Explore the museum as you discover works in the collection with hidden meanings, social messages that are sometimes considered risky and works that provoke emotions. Join our Museum Docent Bill Lagerstrom on a "Humor beyond the Grave" tour. This tour will be sure to make you laugh as you explore the collection from deceased artists' perspectives. Join our Museum Docent Kathleen Smith on a "Maine Artists/Maine Landscapes" tour. Our local environment has inspired many artists. View their mastery, learn about their techniques and background on this indoor travel trail. Our Museum Curators will also provide introductory tours to the following exhibitions: Modern Wonder: The John Marin Collection, Contemporary Highlights, City of Ambition: Photography from the Collection, and Self and Society: The Norma Boom Marin Collection of German Expressionist Prints.







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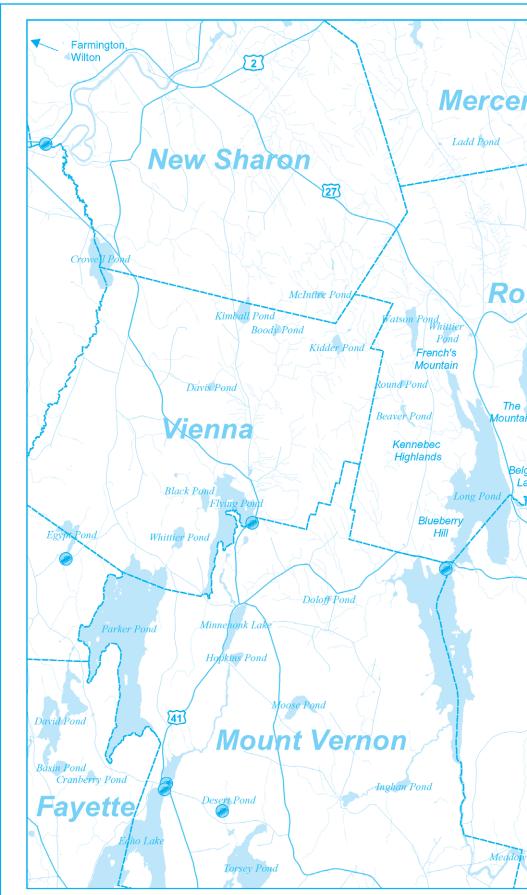
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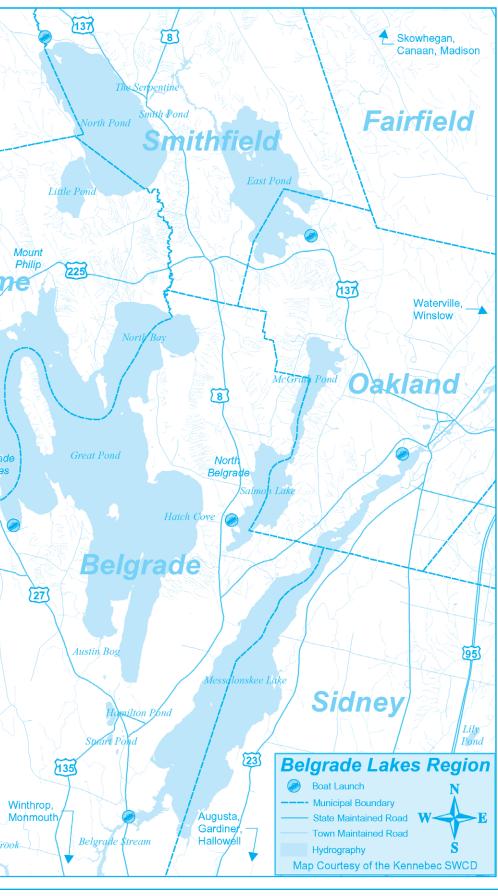
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— Upcoming —

JULY

- The Bugmobile from Chewonki Foundation will be at the Oakland Public Library, Friday, July 20 at 10:30 am to demonstrate the four major groups of anthropods; part of the summer reading program.
- East Pond Association Annual Meeting will be Saturday, July 21, 10 am, at Birchcrest, Brickett Point, followed by a cook out. 362-5340
- Open Farm Day will be held on Sunday, July 22, with farms open free to the public throughout Maine. Activities include tours, demonstrations, children's activities, sales in farm shops and more.
- Estate Planning session, Thursday, July 26, 6 pm at the Union Church in Belgrade Lakes is free and open to the public, with speaker Gary Melville, Director of Development with the United Methodist Foundation New England.
- The Farmington Summer Fest in downtown Farmington on Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28 will include sales, competitions, live entertainment, a talent show, a bed race, a street dance and more. 491-5533
- Oakland's OakFest will be July 27-29 in downtown Oakland and will feature local food, arts, music and more. www.oakfest-

maine.com

- North Pond Association Annual Meeting and social will be Saturday, July 28, 4-6 pm at the Fairview Grange #342 in Smithfield to cover Watershed Based Protection Plan, updates and exciting guest speakers. 362-1009
- On Monday, July 30, Mr. Harley and the Strollers "Family Music Event" will be performed at the Belgrade Public Library, Depot Street, 5-7 pm. 495-3508

AUGUST

- On Friday, August 3, the 2018 Annual SACC Drivers and Duffers Golf Classic will be held at Lakewood Golf Course in Madison with a shotgun start at 8 am. 474-3621
- A Contra Dance will be held Saturday, August 4 at the Canaan Farmers Hall, 296 Main Street, at 7:30 pm. Live music with Bien Sur and calling with John McIntire. All ages welcome, no partners necessary. \$8 admission, \$25 family. 399-8454
- The Annual Belgrade Lakes Loon Calling contest and the Belgrade Fire Department Bean Hole Bean Supper will be on Saturday, August 4 in Belgrade Lakes. The supper is 5-7 pm at the Center for All Seasons; the Loon Calling sign-up is 6:30 pm, the contest at 7 pm at the bridge in Belgrade Lakes. The 2nd Belgrade Lakeside Artisan Show will be at the Center for All Seasons on August 6. 495-3312
- The 25th Taste of Waterville is Wednesday, August 8, 11 am-11 pm, with children's activities, sales, music, food from 15 restau-

rants, 13 bite booths, meatball eating contest, and Sparks The Rescue in the Beer Garden. 873-3315

- The Oakland/Sidney United Methodist Church, West School Street, will hold its annual August Turkey Supper, Wednesday, August 8, 5-7 pm; roast turkey with all the trimmings and homemade pies. Adults \$10, children 6-12 \$5.
- On Thursday, August 9 at 6 pm the McGrath Pond/SalmonLake Association will hold its annual meeting at the North Belgrade Community Center. 873-5285
- The final Union Coffeehouse of the season will be held on Saturday August 11 with the music of Simons and Goodwin, 7 pm, Union Church, Belgrade Lakes.
- Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter, 19 Colby Street, Waterville, will hold a training session for volunteers on Sunday, August 12, 2-4 pm, to train for helping in kitchen, office, childcare, maintenance, etc. 872-8082
- Skowhegan's North Cemetery "Useful Citizens" Tour will be held on Friday, August 17 with colorful accounts from Mel Burnham. Meet at gate behind Walton Apartments, Madison Ave. 10 am. 474-6632
- Winthrop's 30th Annual Sidewalk Festival is scheduled for Saturday, August 18, 10 am-3 pm. 377-8020
- August 22 through 26 the Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival will be presented at Litchfield Fairgrounds. 873-6539

French Actress to Receive MIFF's Lifetime Achievement Award

By Gregor Smith

The Maine International Film Festival will honor French actress Dominique Sanda with its Lifetime Achievement Award in a ceremony at the Waterville Opera House on Sunday, July 15, at 6:30 pm. Along with the presentation will be a screening of her best known film, The Garden of the Finzi-Continis, which won the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film in 1972.

"Dominique has a directorial filmography like no other actress," said MIFF Programming Director Ken Eisen in a press release. He noted that her first three films had "legendary directors" — The Garden of the Finzi-Continis by Vittorio de Sica, The Conformist by Bernardo Bertolucci, and Une Femme Douce ("A Gentle Woman") by Robert Bresson — and that her fourth, First Love, was directed by "legendary actor" Maximilian Schell.

Eisen continued, "The most in-demand actress of the 1970s and into the '80s, Dominique hasn't stopped making movies — covering continents as well as decades over the course of her filmmaking. She has been honored at European film festivals but never here in North America — it's a pleasure to welcome her and her fine films to MIFF this year..."

The award presentation and screening of *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis* will be the festival's capstone. Based on a novel by Giorgio Bassani, the film takes the viewer into the lives of the Finzi-Continis, an aristocratic family living on a bucolic estate in 1930s Italy. Adult siblings Alberto and Micol enjoy holding parties and tennis matches with their friends, but the family is Jewish and fascism is rising. Their wealth can protect them only for so long before their idyllic world is torn asunder.

MIFF will show seven other Dominique Sanda films this year, and Sanda will introduce them all in person. They are *Une Femme Douce* (1969), Sat., 7/14, 6:30; *The Mackintosh Man* (1973), Mon., 7/16, 3:30; *Steppenwolf* (1974), Tues., 7/17, 9:30; 1900 (1976), Wed., 7/18, *Noon* (WARNING: It's 51/4 hours long!); *The Conformist* (1970), Thurs., 7/19, 3:30; *Going Away* (2013), Fri., 7/20, 3:30 (Opera House); and *The Inheritance* (1976), Sat., 7/21, 3:30. Except for *Going Home*, all these screenings will be in Railroad Square's Cinema 1.



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-Conservation Too - So What Is Erosion Control Mulch?

By Dale Finseth

his week I'll try and focus on using Erosion ${\sf L}$ Control Mulch to slow down stormwater runoff. For those of you familiar with the LakeSmart program this will seem familiar.

A couple weeks ago I was already talking about the importance of slowing down stormwater. Sometimes it is difficult to use vegetation, whether that is ground cover, low growing plants, shrubs or trees. So..., what to do then?

First try and let the natural duff collect in your yard and beneath your plants. It helps to slow runoff and soften the impact of water droplets to protect the soils beneath. If you can, only maintain the needed pathways and open areas which you use. Many of us have more open space around the buildings and driveways than we use. Let it return to a relatively natural state. I've seen yards where people have swept the pine needles and other duff into piles and left the bare ground exposed. Avoid this type of practice. It can lead to stormwater runoff that is not impeded at all.

be used with your vegetative buffers. Erosion Control Mulch, also referred to as ECM, is the better type of mulch. Mulching is one of the most tractor. Make sure you actually get what you effective and cost efficient Best Management intend to use. Mulch comes in many textures and Practices (BMP's) we should work with. For stabi- colors. Don't confuse "compost", "conservation lizing construction sites, eroded banks, and top- mulch", "bark mulch" and "wood chips" with dressing buffer plantings, almost any type of ECM. Erosion Control Mulch (ECM) was develmulch helps. But for establishing a better oped to protect soil from erosion in areas that

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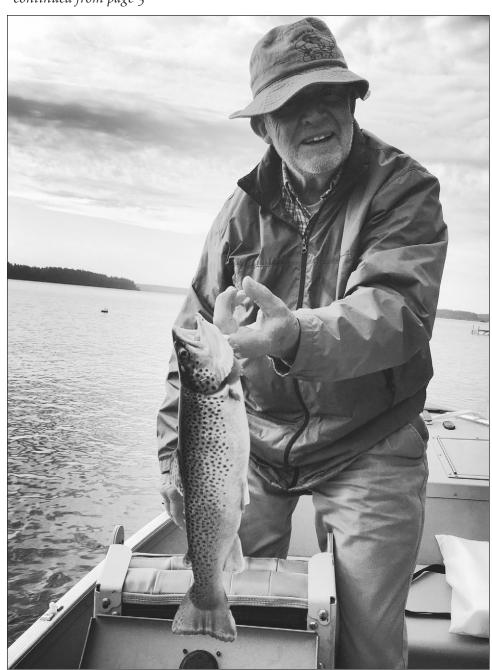
When bare soil is exposed to the elements, erosion begins to occur. Rain and wind can remove topsoil very quickly and deposit soil particles in the water. As these particles are transported in stormwater, they act like little magnets picking up pollutants and nutrients along the way. Once in the lake (or river or stream) these pollutants are deposited. Result problems including algae blooms and elevated levels of toxins.

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was one of the first on our road to receive a Lake Smart Award, modeling practices to prevent the leaching of chemicals into the lake, and on his own volition motored all of our guests out to view "Goldie", Colby College's data buoy off of Hoyt's, initiating visitors to the importance of lake health. In recent years, as age impeded his mobility, Dad became a fixture at the BLA raffle table in Belgrade Village, where he took on multiple weekly shifts to spread the gospel about conservation and raise money to protect his beloved lakes. He loved being an ambassador of BLA, chatting it up with fellow volunteers, and making friends with literally everyone.

Dad passed away at camp on June 16th of this year, and we, along with our camp road neighbors and all of his friends in the Belgrade Lakes feel his absence profoundly this summer. In our sadness, however, we find comfort being surrounded by the slice of heaven he left behind for us, and are proud of the diligence and care he put into leaving this world a beautiful and more protected place for generations to come. We hope that others are as inspired by his legacy as we are, and that the next time you're struck by our region's beauty, you might send a little thought up to him in thanks.



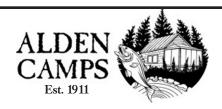
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Notebook

Belgrade/Rome **Food Pantry Fundraiser**

• The Belgrade/Rome Special Needs Food Pantry is presenting Dinner by the Lake on Saturday, July 28, 6 pm, on Long Pond in Rome, hosted by Evelyn Fowler and Joseph Pulitano. A \$35/person tax deductible donation will go in its entirety to the pantry. Space is limited. 495-2022

North Pond

• North Pond Flotilla Parade! It is BACK! North Pond is hosting a BOAT PARADE Saturday, August 11. Meet on the north side of Hight Island at 9:45 am. Parade begins 10 am. \$50 1st prize, \$25 2nd prize and \$15 3rd prize for most festive and creative! georgefow3@gmail.com

Maine Farmland Trust

• Bike with MFT! Join us for a farm-to-farm bike ride around Bowdoinham. We'll visit a variety of protected farms, hear from the farmers and learn more about what it means to be a Forever Farm. Community BBQ to follow. The ride is in partnership with the Merrymeeting Trailblazers. For more information or to sign up email caroline@mainefarmlandtrust.org

Augusta

• Friends of Lithgow Library will hold a Book Sale on Friday, August 24, 9 am-4 pm, and Saturday, August 25, 9-11:30 am, in the Community Meeting Room. Book donations are appreciated and welcome and will be accepted only if they meet the following requirements: no mold, stains or mildew; no loose pages or split bindings; no textbooks, condensed editions, encycopedias or magazines. 626-2415

Belgrade

• The Belgrade Public Library provides passes to the following local attractions for free or discounted admission: Boothbay Railway Village, Children's Discovery Museum, Maine Department of Conservation's State Park Pass, Farnsworth Art Museum, Maine State Aquarium, Maine State Wildlife Park and USSM Museum, Main Southworth Planetarium. Passes are signed out for a specific day and patron accounts must be in good standing. 495-3508

Gardiner

• The seven artists from Artdogs Studios, in the Historic District of downtown Gardiner, are presenting the 11th annual exhibition of their work - showing a variety of paintings, linocuts, monotypes, jewelry and graphic storytelling works. Artists include Karen Adrienne, John Carnes, Kate Harris, Moly Hearn, Scott Minzy, Tyson Pease and Rachael Wilson. The exhibit is in the gallery of Circling the Square Fine Art Press, 275 Water Street. A reception and artists' talk is scheduled for Sunday, July 15, 4-6 pm. The press is also hosting a one-day introduction to Linocut Workshop Saturday, July 14, 10am-3 pm for \$75 with suplies included. Circling the Square is open Fridays and Saturdays, 10 am-4 pm and when artists are printing in the studio. circlingthesquarepress.com, 582-6600

Greene

• On Friday, July 27, Owen Kennedy & Josh White will perform at the Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation. Two up and coming musicians, their lively arrangements take listeners from Quebec and the Canadian Maritimes over the sea to Eastern Europe, Ireland and Scotland and back home to Maine. At only 13 years of age, Owen has captivated audiences all the way from Cape Breton to Florida. 16-year-old Josh has been fiddling his way around Maine the past 8 years in a journey to spread happiness through his music. The free performances will be at 2 pm and 7 pm. The hall is air conditioned. 946-5311

Rome

• Announcing the 2018 RYC Regatta, Saturday, August 4, 10 am and Commodore's Ball, Friday, August 3, 6 pm, 60 Nickerson Lane. This year will be EVEN BETTER THAN LAST YEAR! No rain date. All competitors should convene in front of the Vines' Camp, the northern most cove of Great Pond. Those who reach Crooked Island first with all their clues and at the discretion of the Clue Masters will be deemed the winners. 2 classes of boats: 1 sail and 2 or more; only wind and paddle energy allowed. A victory cookout will be held on Crooked Island around noon. Bring hot dogs, burgers, marshmallows, cooking sticks, etc. Fire and beverages will be available. Contact the Commodore with questions, concerns, or strokes of brilliance, 617-283-3642

Waterville

- A Cassatt String Quartet Performance will be held on Friday, July 20, 11 am, at the Colby College Museum of Art. The Cassatt String Quartet presents Music From Around the World with guest sitar player/composer Vineet Shende from Bowdoin College. The performance will feature instrument demonstrations and musical works from India, Russia, the United States, Argentina, Germany and Romania. The program is open to all ages. Families are encouraged to attend. 859-5600
- Cool Raffle Opportunity! Join the 92 Day Backpack Challenge Raffle. Let's fill 10,000 backpacks in 92 days. Why 92? Bill Mitchell, the founder and backbone of the Alfond Youth Center Backpack Program, recenty lost his father, Paul Mitchell, at the age of 92.



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

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All funds collected by 9/6/18 will be matched by the Harold Alfond Foundation. Many great prizes. Tickets \$5 each. Every \$5 feeds a family of 4 for the weekend. Tickets available at the AYC. Drawing September 8. 872-7092

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Achievement Award to French actress Dominique life and times of medieval icon painter Andrei Sanda. Each year, MIFF presents Lifetime or Mid-Life Achievement Award — the designation director, screenwriter, or other professional filmmaker. Last year's honoree was actress and model Lauren Hutton, and previous winners include Harris, Peter Fonda, and Sissy Spacek; directors Robert Benton and Jonathan Demme; and writer Terrence Malick. The award presentation will follow of screening of Sanda's best-known film, The *Garden of the Finzi-Continis* (1971).

This year's Centerpiece Gala on Wednesday is simultaneously a film screening and a concert. The film is 7th Heaven, a 1927 silent romance in which a Parisian street sweeper (Charles Farrell) interrupts a suicide attempt by a desperate young woman (Janet Gaynor) and the two fell in love. The film won Oscars for Best Actress, Best Director, and Best Screenplay.

It will be accompanied by a jazz score newly composed by trumpeter Mark Tipton and performed live by his quartet, Les Sorciers Perdus ("The Lost Wizards"), who thrilled audiences at last score to another silent classic, Sunrise. Besides Tipton, the quartet includes guitarist Ryan Blotnick, bassist Tyler Heydolph, and drummer Beau Lisy.

While 7th Heaven will be the oldest film at this year's festival, the second oldest is a mere four years younger. An early "talkie," Transatlantic creates a web of financial and romantic intrigues among the passengers on a luxury cruise ship making the seven-day transit from New York to ring Edmund Lowe, Lois Moran, and Myrna Loy, the film will be shown in Railroad Square's Cinema 3 on Saturday, July 14, at 3:00 and Friday, July 20, at

Rublev, the 1966 Andrei Tarkovski epic about the advance for individual screenings.

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Rublev; Jabberwocky, a 1977 comic mashup based on the Lewis Carroll poem and featuring Monty Python depends on the age of the recipient — to an actor, alumni Terry Gilliam as director and screenwriter and Michael Palin as star; and La Vérité ("The Truth"), the 1960 courtroom drama directed by Henri-Georges Clouzot and starring Brigitte Bardot actors Michael Murphy, Glenn Close, Keith as a young, free-spirited woman on trial for killing Carradine, Malcolm McDowell, John Turturro, Ed her lover. For screening times and locations for these films, as well as MIFF's five other rediscovered masterworks, please consult the festival's literature or website.

With nearly 70 feature films and more than two dozen shorts, it is, sadly, not possible to describe them all in one article. You can, however, find descriptions, cinematic trailers, and screening times for all the festival's films on the MIFF website, www.miff.org. Thanks to a recent redesign of the site and newly created free wireless Internet zone covering public spaces in downtown Waterville, it is easier than ever before for smartphone and tablet users to browse MIFF's site and even buy tickets online.

If you remain offline, however, do not despair. There are still print resources for you: You can find the festival's glossy, 8½" x 11", folded flier at many of the same places where Summertime in the Belgrades is year's MIFF with their live performance of Tipton's distributed, and get MIFF's keepsake, 60-page program guide at festival venues.

> Admission to most individual screenings costs \$10 per person; for the opening ceremony, Lifetime Achievement Award presentation, and Centerpiece Gala, you will pay a few dollars more. You can buy advance tickets on the MIFF website, in person at Railroad Square Cinema, and by phone at 866-811-4111.

If you are planning to see a lot of movies, you can London. Directed by William K. Howard and starbuy a \$95 Partial Pass, which is good for ten admissions, for one or two people at a time, to any festival event, including the special events listed above. If you are particularly ambitious, you can even spring for a nontransferable, \$200 Full Pass, which will Among MIFF's other "rediscoveries" are the admit you to as many public festival events as you uncensored, 183-minute director's cut of Andrei can attend and let you reserve a seat online in



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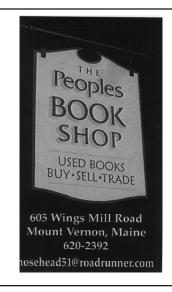
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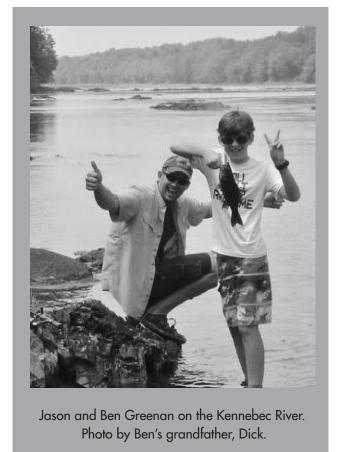
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last week I met 30 campers and counselors from

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I managed to get out fishing a bit, including a trip on Long Pond with fellow 7-Lakes Alliance Board



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LODGING RESERVATIONS

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Updates?
New contact information?
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Member, Tom McCandlish, who has been coming to Great Pond since 1959, first as a Bear Springs camper with his parents, and since the mid-80's as a camp owner on Mountain Drive. We caught several nice fish, including a roughly 30-inch pike that I managed to land on my ultralight spinning rig despite the lack of a wire leader. Luckily the fish was hooked at the tip of snout and couldn't bring its sharp teeth to bear on my 4-lb test line. My friend, Dick Greenan, had his son, Jason, daughter-in-law, Devon, and a couple of grandkids visiting for the week. Dick led a successful canoe/kayak fishing trip down the Kennebec River from Waterville to Sidney

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 (https://www.facebook.com/belgradelakes/). They will have a kid-oriented presentation by Chewonki on 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, including a 5K Trail Race up Roundtop Mountain on August 4th. 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.



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Destiny and Power by Jon Meacham

by Martha F. Barkley

of the family place and bringing world leaders there to share tennis, fast golf games, and even faster speed Generation. boat rides are legendary.

When historian Jon Meacham spoke at Barbara's really memorial service in Texas recently, I came to realize that Meacham was the official biographer of our very respected forty-first president. Even for the crowds attending his wife's funeral, President Bush was out life of JFK, a much shorter life, cut off by an assassin. there greeting children and parents with his beloved daughter "Doro" at his side.

Upon his arrival in Maine for this summer without Barbara, President Bush attended the local pancake breakfast and ended up hospitalized a few days. Apparently he likes to party too much, according to a news report! Such a dynamic man, even from his wheelchair.

readers of biography will find this book one of the finest. Maybe because I like President Bush One, I call him, to differentiate his office from his son's...maybe because Barbara Bush always charmed the Bush family certainly guide us in our own lives. I the press, maybe because we all agree Maine is the best place for summer!

During our recent presidential campaign, it was Barbara Bush who said that voters were tired of both the Clintons and the Bushes. How wise she was.

et's celebrate all summer long our President's when Barbara was visiting from her Ashley Hall 194th year here, most every summer for him spent School in Charleston, SC. How young they were to at Walker's Point, Kennebunkport, Maine. His love promise early marriage and off he went as the youngest pilot in WWII, known as The Greatest

> The 21 locations shown on a a double page map brings to mind how important Kennebunkport, Maine was during his many moves in a constantly changing political life.

> I also had this same impression when reading the Vacation homes seem to anchor us as ordinary people and also leaders like JFK and the Bushes, both father and son.

It really amazed me to read that Barbara had recurring depression. She naturally experienced this when their dear daughter Robin died of leukemia. Later, however, when Bush was head of the CIA, Barbara had a six month rough patch where her hus-I bought the \$20.00 paperback, only 601 pages, but band constantly supported her and urged counseling. Somehow, she luckily snapped out of it, as Barbara has remarked publicly.

> People who are so very public and privileged as look at the map of so many moves and think how lucky I have been to not move so often.

> Summer in Maine is our common ground whether we live stable lives or move around a lot.

When George was Vice President, our family hap-How smart of George to find her at a college party pened to be at a motel up above Walker's Point. We

looked out from the balcony as a few secret service trotted by while Bush had his morning jog. There he was running the narrow road along the gorgeous rocky coast. The coastguard boat was out in the ocean guarding with our American flag waving.

Later we stopped for a meal at the local lobster shack. All of a sudden, the tiny restaurant was invaded by suits and ties, not usual attire for Maine vacationers. They looked around and went back to the kitchen. Soon, in walks the lovely white haired Barbara and a few friends...since 9/11, I suppose it is all too complicated to explain security.

Riding bicycles in China by both Bushes impressed me. What an adventure they had there and finally their son George travelled abroad to visit his parents. Color photos reveal how happy they were serving in China for two years.

As newly weds, George and Barbara were quite of one mind to move from New England roots to the wilds of Odessa, Texas. Care packages from Barbara's mother included laundry detergent and other necessities, maybe not available out there on the frontier! Midland, TX and Houston became their roots, but Maine was the place for SUMMER.

Sometimes it is fun to index read a huge biography like this one. Just look up Kennebunkport and read all the Maine antics. Have fun celebrating with me President Bush's 94th year with practically every single summer of his well-lived life in our favorite state of Maine.



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AUGUSTA - This impeccable home is all new just in the last 10 years. Main floor W/well appointed kitche featuring beautiful cabinets, stainless appliances, granite countertops & open to the large FR. Separate DR & LR w/FP & heat pump that doubles for AC. 3 BD & a full BA. Walkout lower level w/FR & office, or 4th BD, mprovements include roof, windows, doors, heavitem, flooring, paint. 1356886 \$235,500



WHITEFIELD-NEW LISTING- Spacious 1850 Colonial w/renovations over the last 20 yrs including kitchen, vinyl windows, brand nev boiler, Generous space in this 4 BD, 3 BA colonial w/attached. 5-6 ac in the Coopers Mills part of town. Nice galley country kitchen w/breakfast bar, wood beams & lots of windows, pantry & tile floor, 1st floor BD & BA LB DB w/woodsto



SOMERVILLE-NEW LISTING- Lovely Country Cape sitting on the banks of the Sheepscot River. This home has 3BR with a first floor MBR, BA nd laundry. LR has built in cabinets w/a propane stove. Kitcher leads out to a beautiful deck with a Pergola. Shed was used as an art studio w/power & heat. Features many updates including insulation & a stand by gener ator. Upstairs also has a craft room that could be used as a BD. 1359867 \$178,000



has lots of curb appeal. Lots of country characterings. 1st floor BA w/laundry, nice mudroom, 1st floor den or BD. 3 BD up. Master w/dressing room & with potential to finish another room. Nice vard & nearly 13 acres to enjoy. 1359639 \$279,900



MANCHESTER-NEW LISTING - Stunning open con cept home. Open floor plan w/tremendous kitchenon the main level, wood floors. Lower level FR. Decks overlook Cobbossee Lake. 100' of frontage o Cobbossee Stream outlet plus deeded access to the main part of the lake, 3 car garage plus a Barn/work shop and garden shed. 1358763 \$519,000



READFIELD - Lovely 2008 ranch style home on 2.27 acres in Readfield. 3 BD, 2 full BA, kitchen, dining area plus LR w/wood burning fire place. Open concept, Large back deck with lots of privacy. 1 car garage with room for 2 cars. One behind the other. Public beach nearby. A must see! 1357689 \$199,900



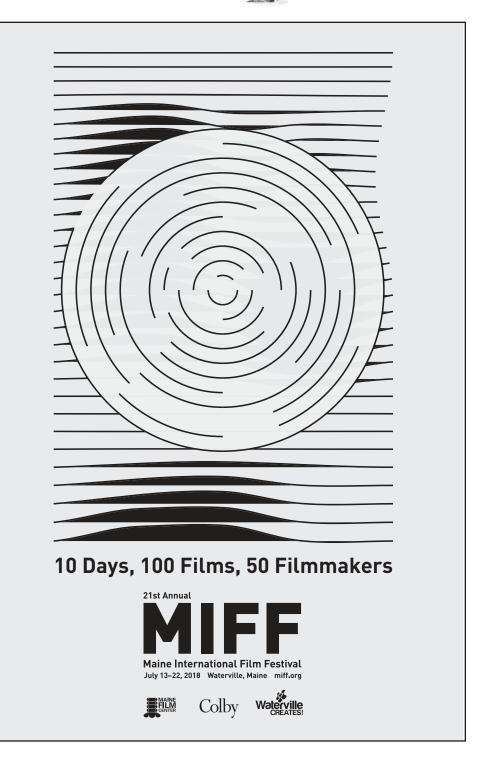
AUGUSTA - NEW LISTING Cape Cod style home in a popular Augusta neighborhood. 1st floor offers a Galley style kitchen, DR, LR, BA 2 BD. 2nd floor offers 2 additional BD. Backyard deck. Wonderful neighborhood and a great 1359399 \$129,000



WINSLOW-NEW LISTING- Exceptionally well-built wonderfully detailed custom-built Chalet. Secluded 8 ac lot w/expansive views enjoyed from the large Cherry hardwood floors, tiled baths, large LR, very spacious kitchen. Open concept kitchen, LR lend themselves very nicely to the large exposed beams. Master bedroom w/attached BA,walk in closet. 1359829 \$279,000



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MIFF @ 21: Film Festival Returns to Downtown Waterville

If you like fine films, Friday the Thirteenth is your lucky day! That's when the 21st annual Maine International Film Festival starts its ten-day journey into worlds both real and make-believe. And now that MIFF is of legal age, anything can happen!

With screenings at Railroad Square Cinema and the Waterville Opera House, the festival offers movie goers who aren't into car chases and explosions and who don't mind reading subtitles a chance to indulge their passion for films both new and old, foreign and domestic — from beloved classics, to forgotten masterworks, to brand-new features, some of which will have their world or North American premieres at the festival.

The key events of the festival's first seven days are the opening ceremony on Friday, the Lifetime Achievement Award presentation on Sunday, and the Centerpiece Gala on Wednesday. All three events take place at 6:30 p.m. in the Waterville Opera House. During that week, the festival will also pay homage to late movie director Hal Ashby and will uncover a new batch of "rediscoveries," i.e. unjustly overlooked classics, many in newly restored 35 mm prints or in digital reincarnations.

It may seem ironic, but the festival's opening film is a paean to the written word. Set in 1959, *The Bookshop* follows the struggles of a plucky, youngish widow (Emily Mortimer) to bring enlightenment through novels like Vladimir Nabokov's *Lolita* and Ray Bradbury's *Fahrenheit 451* to the residents of a conservative English town who aren't sure that they want to be enlightened. She is politely but relentlessly opposed by the local matron of the arts (Patricia Clarkson), but befriended by an

by Grgor Smith



David Carradine, center, playing harmonica, as Woody Guthrie in Bound for Glory (1976)

Hal-Ashby

older, book-loving widower (Bill Nighy).

According to the MIFF website, "The Bookshop is an elegant yet incisive rendering of personal resolve, tested in the battle for the soul of a community. [Director] Isabel Coixet's gentle, charming, and thoroughly principled new English-language film walked away with most major awards at her native Spain's Oscar-equivalent Goya awards including Best Picture, Best Director, and Best Screenplay."

Unlike at past MIFFs, those who can't come on Friday night will get a second chance to see the opening film; it will be shown again on Saturday in Railroad Square's Cinema 3 at 6:00.

Later that evening, at 9:30 in Cinema 1, audiences can get their first look at *Hal*, a new documentary about Hal Ashby, who died thirty years ago this December. An anti-authoritarian director — if that's not an oxymoron — Ashby brought us a string of classic films of the 1970s, including *Harold*

and Maude, Being There, Coming Home, and Bound for Glory. The documentary Hal explores his life and work through archival footage and interviews with people who knew him. It will have a second showing on Monday at 6:30.

MIFF's Hal Ashby retrospective also includes *Being There*, his 1979 satire starring Peter Sellers as "Chance, the gardener," a simple man who is mistaken for a sage and winds up as an adviser to a political power broker, and *Bound for Glory*, his 1976 adaptation of folksinger Woody Guthrie's eponymous autobiography about his early years before he found fame. *Being There* screens Tuesday, July 17, at 9:30 and Sunday, July 22, at 3:30, and *Bound for Glory* will be shown Thursday, July 19, at 3:30. All three screenings will be in the Waterville Opera House.

On Sunday, MIFF will present its Lifetime

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