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Open Farm Day: Free, Fun and For Everyone

by Esther J. Perne



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Reprogramming Jeremy: A New Film by a Maine Playwright Has its World Premiere at MIFF

by Gregor Smith

What if the people around you, the people who love you and are supposed to act in your best interests, wanted you to change something about yourself that was fundamental to who you are? Would you? Should you even try?

These are the questions confronting the title character in *The Reprogramming of Jeremy*, a new film based on a play by Maine actor and director Bobby Keniston, who also adapted it for the screen. The film had its world premiere last Saturday, July 14, at Railroad Square Cinema as part of the Maine International Film Festival. The film will have a repeat screening this Saturday at 12:30.

Jeremy is a sweet, shy, sensitive teen, with a secret: he's gay. When this secret is revealed, it causes turmoil within his small, rural, close-minded town, and his parents, on the advice of their pastor, send Jeremy to a religious camp for conversion therapy, i.e. to "pray the gay away."

Conversion therapy is any type of therapy intended to change one's sexual orientation. It has been condemned as ineffective and potential harmful by the American Psychological Association and by many other organizations of mental health professionals both in the United States and abroad. Thirteen states and two Canadian provinces have outlawed conversion therapy, and during its recently concluded session, the Maine legislature passed a bill banning state-licensed practitioners from using conversion therapy on minors. Gov. Paul LePage vetoed the bill,

and the legislature failed to override the veto.

The playwright and screenwriter currently lives in Dover-Foxcroft, after many years in the Skowhegan area. In an email, he writes, "I am very active at my hometown theater, Center Theatre, and Lakewood Theater in Madison. I am a playwright for the youth and high school markets with over 30 plays published. I previously worked as the theater teacher at Foxcroft Academy, but now write, direct and act full time..." He also worked at Railroad Square Cinema for a few years in the early 2000s, making that theater a special venue for the first public showings of his first film.

He wrote the play in 2010, in response to news reports about bullied gay teens killing themselves. Describing his motivation, he states, "I wanted to write a play from a human perspective and not make it seem political or preachy that dealt with this issue. I staunchly stand for gay rights and against conversion therapy of any kind, but wanted to show the humanity in all of the people in Jeremy's life, even those who thought he needed to be reprogrammed."

He produced the play in the fall of 2011, both at Lakewood Theater and at Center Theatre. He noted, sadly, that a week before the play's premiere, "there was another high profile instance of a gay teen in Buffalo, NY, committing suicide after being bullied. His name was Jamey Rodemeyer. He died September 18, 2011 after having made videos on YouTube to help other victims of homophobic bullying."


Although the characters in his play are not based on specific people he has known, the lead character is named after a girl on whom he had a crush in college and whom "I still think of as a dear friend. Her name is Jeremy, but she is always called Mimi. There is a line in the play [and in the movie] that Jeremy's mother says, how even if she'd had a girl, she would name her Jeremy, but 'probably call her Mimi or somethin'.' This was a tribute to my friend."

So how did the play become a movie? The film's director, Gail Wagner, who lives in Delaware, picks up the story: "I have always loved acting and wanted to pursue it as a career but life happens," she writes. She started acting again in community theater around fifteen years ago and has been doing films for ten, although *The Reprogramming of Jeremy* is the first feature film that she has directed. By days, she is a paralegal.

She continues, "I started directing stage plays a few years after returning to stage acting. To me its like painting a picture — you have this canvas (the stage), the paint (the script), and the brushes (the actors), you help guide it to this picture for people to appreciate at the end. I love seeing actors improve and grow, especially kids."


"I reached out to Bobby after one of his plays in which I was cast, *A Forgetful Remembrance*, won our theater competition. I believe writers should know how much a play was appreciated and the audience feedback. When I was staging his *End of the Movie*,

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MIFF Makes it in Maine!

by Gregor Smith



Empath

As is MIFF’s tradition, the second Saturday at this year’s Maine International Film Festival is Making It In Maine Day. The day gives film goers a first (or second) chance to see all the features and shorts that are either set in Maine, shot in Maine, or made by Maine filmmakers.

The first public event of the day is the Maine Student Film & Video Festival at 12:30. For 41 years, the Maine Student Film & Video Festival has allowed Maine’s budding filmmakers, aged 19 and younger, to submit short films, 10 minutes or less, to a juried, statewide competition, with the winning films to be shown and prizes to be awarded during a public ceremony, which is now held at the Waterville Opera House. MIFF has hosted the student festival since MIFF began in 1998.

The shorts are grouped according to the age of their makers (Grades K-6, Grades 7-8, and Grades 9-12), and within each age division are judged in three categories: Narrative, Documentary, and Creative. (This last category is for animated and experimental films.) Prizes vary from one year to the next, but typically include free admission to summer filmmaking workshops, cash awards, and subscriptions to online film-editing software.

After the ceremony, there will be a public reception with the filmmakers around the corner at Jorgensen’s Café 103 Main Street at 2:30.

Those who would like to see short films by older Mainers may stroll back to the Opera House for a program on Maine Shorts at 3:30. This year, Maine Shorts comprises nine short films ranging from 5 to 24 minutes long and totaling nearly two hours. The selection is a mixture of dramas, fantasies, and documentaries, but including three documentaries with a Central Maine connection, dealing with the art of handling delicate works of art at the Colby College Museum of Art, what it means to be an Asian student at Colby, and the infamous “ten-mile yard sale” held each summer on lawns along the road from Skowhegan to Cornville.

For those who prefer longer films, this year’s festival has three Maine-con-

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Norlands is located at 290 Norlands Road in Livermore, Maine. For more information, visit www.norlands.org or call 207-897-4366.

Admission: \$10; \$6 ages 12 and under; \$25 family rate for two adults with two or more children under the age of 18. Members of Norlands enjoy a 20% admission discount on admission and a 10% discount in the gift shop. Bring your membership card or sign up when you arrive. Benefits begin immediately.



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we also communicated as did members of the cast. After End of the Movie performed in the Delaware Theatre Association One Act festival, Bobby shared The Re-programming of Jeremy with us." In a separate email, she writes, "I was totally blown away by the emotions the play evoked and thought the story would make a great film. I chased Bobby for about 2 years to let me make the film and he [finally] agreed."

The film is shot in the style of documentary, in which interviews with the important people in Jeremy's life are interspersed with flashbacks. Except in the flashbacks, the characters do not interact with each other and only one character appears on screen at any given time. This gives the film more of a theatrical feel and helps keep it true to play from which it was derived.

"Today's film shots, both TV and film, generally cut to a different camera angle every 10-20 seconds,"

Wagner writes. "Older films held the shot for as long as 15 minutes similar to a stage play where the audience watches the actor speaking the entire time. This can be thought of as more theatrical vs. cinematic. I believed since the bulk were interviews, it was important not to cut away often, breaking the viewer's attention. It was critical to hold the viewer so that they experienced the interview like they were sitting with the interviewer."

Although the film was shot in Delaware, the location of Jeremy's town is never specified. It could be any small, rural town, anywhere in the U.S. The actors themselves, many of them in their first film roles, come mainly from Delaware, but also from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland. Wagner recruited each one to play a specific role. As the actor that she had originally wanted to play Jeremy aged out of the part, she asked her youngest son, Sean Wagner, to take on the role instead.

The film was shot on an ultra-low budget. It cost about \$10,000 to make, all of which was fronted by the director and her husband. They subsequently raised around \$3500 through an online Kickstarter campaign to pay film festival entry fees and to treat the cast and crew to a private screening of a rough cut of the film in a nice leased space. She notes, "I was fortunate to obtain almost all of the filming locations free of charge. Our largest costs were feeding the cast and crew on location, insurance for the project, software, and one rented venue."

Wagner, the actors who portrayed Jeremy's mom and his "jock best friend" Kenny, and two of the crew will coming to Maine for the repeat screening on Saturday, July 21, at Railroad Square Cinema. Despite their collaboration on the film, this will be the first time that she and Bobby Kenniston have never met in person. And what a meeting it will be! To reserve tickets, visit www.miff.org or call 866-811-4111.



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— Take It Outside —

Hard to believe this is already the 7th column of the summer. I couldn't believe it when my morning paper had a "Back to School" flyer in it already! I don't think the kids are reading the paper, though. They are too busy having fun in and around the water and hiking the nearby trails. As the water has warmed into the mid 70's, the trout fishing is slowing down but the bass and pike are continuing to feed on schools of alewives. The bass are also hitting big Hex mayflies that are hatching in the evening and early morning. I have had good luck with spotting feeding fish on the surface early in the morning and casting big flies or poppers to them. A three-pound smallie on a 6-wt flyrod is a lot of fun. I also got to spend a few hours fishing with my grandson, Nathan, on Long Pond. We got several decent smallies and a very nice "Jumbo" yellow perch. Also got to see a couple of recently fledged eagles and some brand new loon chicks.

I've been getting a few hikes in and doing some berry foraging in the Kennebec Highlands. I am also seeing a lot of kids out hiking with friends and family. This morning I met young Morgan McKay from New Sharon who was taking her parents hiking for the day. They had just finished French Mountain and were headed up the Sanders Hill Loop when I met them. Morgan's dad is a firefighter in New Sharon. I also met the Vink Family of Jupiter, FL, and Village Camps in Belgrade Lakes. They were getting ready to head up French's with some friends from NY City, who were visiting.

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Kids Everywhere

by Pete Kallin



Nathan Kallin fishing in Long Pond.



Morgan McKay of New Sharon and her parents at Sanders Hill.

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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

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• **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
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• **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.sidneyhistoricalociety.org, 2986 Middle Road
• **Silver Spur Riding Club**, horse shows, River Road, Route 104

SKOWHEGAN

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

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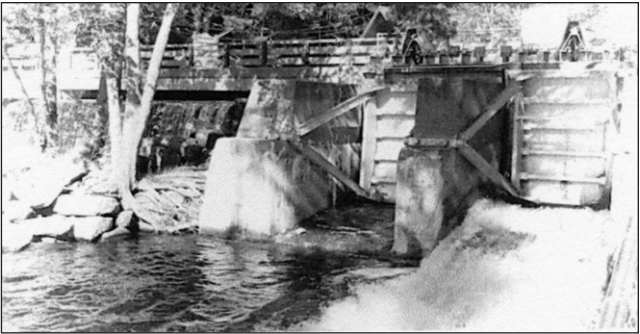
• **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org, Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

WINSLOW

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

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• **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



The Dams Keeper Report

Your representatives on the Interlakes Dams Committee wish that we could magically add some water to our ponds but such lofty goals are still beyond our reach! Our ponds and gardens are all in desperate need of rain.

Great Pond is now 5.88” below full pond with Long Pond currently at 6.48” below full. Last fall’s remediation on the Village Dam considerably reduced the leakage through the stone spillway but Long Pond’s Wing Mill Dam has just been surveyed for its remediation hopefully this fall. We are now seeing the results of the repairs on the Village Dam in holding Great Pond’s water level somewhat despite the lack of precipitation. Long Pond finally surpassed Great Pond this week with even lower water levels, mostly likely due to leakage. Salmon is also feeling the effects of the drought at 6-7” below full.

Both Great and Long Ponds are losing about 3/10” per day at this rate in evaporation, which in doing some research are actually normal evaporation rates. An interesting article by C.E. Grunsky entitled “Evaporation from lakes and reservoirs” going back to September 1931 suggests that the evaporation rate with an ambient outside temperature of 85F is approximately 3/10” per day. Add that to our camps still using lake water in addition to the slight seepage from our dams and you can see why there are rocks now that we haven’t seen since last fall’s drawdown!

As of this writing we have only received .36” of precipitation in the past 10 days and there is only .70” forecasted for the next 10! So for those of you with boatlifts, you’ll want to keep an eye on things to make sure that you can still get your boat off. And you might want to step up those rain dances – again!

Enjoy the family, your vacation and this beautiful weather!

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Thursday 7/19 through Sunday 7/22 – The Wall That Heals, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica & Mobile Education Center, half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., open to the public day and night, a digital kiosk allows visitors to view the Wall of Faces webpage for names, 202-393-0090, Gardiner Common, 2 Dresden Avenue, Gardiner.

Thursday 7/19 and Friday 7/20 – “Enchanted April,” preview – Thursday, opening – Friday, 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.

Friday 7/20 – Walking Tour of historic Skowhegan Falls/Island, 10 am, rain date Saturday 7/21, 474-6632, meet at Arnold Park on Skowhegan Island at the rear of the Federated Church Parking Lot, the Island, downtown Skowhegan.

Friday 7/20 – Camp Road Maintenance Workshop, guest speakers will address road design, installation, how maintenance saves money and protects water quality, legal issues, \$20 pre-registration, \$30 day of event, lunch and snacks provided, 10 am-2:30 pm, 495-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Friday 7/20 – The Bugmobile from Chewonki Foundation, demonstrating the 4 groups of arthropods; part of the summer reading program, 10:30 am, 465-7533, Oakland Public Library, Oakland.

Friday 7/20 – Cassatt String Quartet, Music from Around the World with guest sitar player/composer Vineet Shende from Bowdoin College, instrument demonstrations and musical works from India, Russia, the United States, Argentina, Germany and

Romania, open to all ages, families encouraged, 859-5600, 11 am, Museum of Art, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Friday 7/20 – “Three Faces, Three Forces,” opening reception including a live drawing event happening, 5-7 pm, exhibit continues through 7/28, 622-3813, The Harlow, 100 Water Street, Hallowell.

Friday 7/20 – Jerks of Grass Concert, sponsored by Johnson Hall, free, 6 pm, 582-7144, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Friday 7/20 – Chamber Music Concert, Atlantic Music Festival, free admission, 7 pm, 888-704-1311, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Friday 7/20 – New England Music Camp Honor Camper Recital, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23, Sidney.

Friday 7/20 – “Coco,” Summer Outdoor Movie Night, free for all, 8 pm, 621-3442, The Quad, University of Maine, Augusta.

Saturday 7/21 – 35th Annual Loon Count, annual census of adults and chicks to monitor health of loon population, 7 am, to volunteer contact sgallo@maineaudubon.org, Maine Audubon Society.

Saturday 7/21 – Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sale at Smithfield Baptist Church to benefit Smithfield Maine Historical Society, plus Open House Art Display at Groves House next door, breakfast 7-9:30 pm \$7, open house 8 am-1 pm, 578-0226, Route 137, downtown Smithfield.

Saturday 7/21 – Indoor Yard Sale, rain or shine, 8 am-2 pm, 873-5358, Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, 61 Pleasant Street, Waterville.

Saturday 7/21 – Making It in Maine Day at the Maine International Film Festival (MIFF), showcases Maine's future filmmakers and Maine's growing film industry, includes: the 41st Annual Maine Student Film & Video

Festival, a free event that celebrates the best in student filmmaking achievement; the Maine Film Forum; and screenings of numerous films made by Mainers, 9 am-11 pm, www.miff.org, downtown Waterville.

Saturday 7/21 – Public supper, potluck, 5:30 pm, adults \$6, under 12 \$3, 5:30 pm, Baptist Church, Route 137, Smithfield.

Saturday 7/21 – East Pond Association Annual Meeting, 10 am, 362-5340, Birchcrest, Brickett Point, off East Pond Road, Oakland.

Saturday 7/21 – Chainsaw Wildlife Artists create eagles, bears and more, carvings on exhibit and for sale, bring cameras and earplugs, 11 am-2 pm, 657-4977, Maine Wildlife Park, Route 26, Gray.

Saturday 7/21 – “The True Story of Little Red,” family show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Saturday 7/21 – Mt. Philip Grange monthly Bean Supper, 4:30-6 pm, Route 27, Rome.

Saturday 7/21 – 39th Annual New England Music Camp POPS Concert at “Bowl in the Pines,” ticketed event, 6 pm, 844-476-6976, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/21 – Atlantic Music Festival, Chamber Music, 7 pm, free admission, public welcome, 859-4353, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Saturday 7/21 – “Richard III,” by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/22 – Open Farm Day, farms open to the public throughout state, tours, sales, children's activities, more, free, hours vary 9-10 am to 3-4 pm, www.getrealmaine.com, statewide.

Sunday 7/22 – Farm-to-Farm Bike Ride around Bowdoinham, three led options for a range of abilities and interests with reps from Merrymeeting Wheelers, Maine Farmland Trust and Kennebec Estuary Land

Trust, 9:30 am 24 miles, 10 am 35 miles, 11 am 14 miles, RSVP 338-6575, all depart Maily Waterfront Park, Bowdoinham.

Sunday 7/22 – “Pride@Prejudice,” 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/22 – New England Music Camp Student Concert at “Bowl in the Pines,” rain or shine, free to the public, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, Route 23, Sidney.

Sunday 7/22 – “Borderline Express,” Coburn Park Concert, 5-6:15 pm, free, 474-0527, Philbrick Gazebo, Coburn Park, Water Street, Route 2, Skowhegan.

Sunday 7/22 – “Twelfth Night,” by William Shakespeare, 7 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Monday 7/23 – East Pond Plant Paddle, 2-3 hours of fun, free and educational paddling to look for invasive plants, all ages welcome, kayak, canoe or snorkel, bring personal floatation device, water, sunscreen, rain date 7/24, 8:30 am, register at 495-6039, East Pond boat launch, East Pond Road, Oakland.

Monday 7/23 – Piano Recital, Atlantic Music Festival, a solo performance by the winner of the AMF 2018 Piano Competition, 7 pm, 859-4353, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Tuesday 7/24 – Chewonki – Predators, some commonly-held myths, what problems predators face, food webs and natural cycles, mounted animals and 3 live, non-releasable predators, 2 pm, Maine Lakes Resource Center, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/24 – “Despicable Me 3,” free outdoor family movie, 474-3621, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Tuesday 7/24 – Rock-on-the-River Concert, 7-8:30 pm, Riverfront, Water Street North, Hallowell.

Tuesday 7/24 – Atlantic Music Festival,

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Piano Concert, featuring students from the AMF Piano Institute, 888 704-1311, 7 pm, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Wednesday 7/25 – Bird Migration in the Planetarium! at L.C. Bates Museum, a special presentation with John Meader of Northern Stars Planetarium Services in his traveling, inflatable planetarium showing important migration routes illustrated on a full-dome world map, 7 pm, \$5, reserve at 238-4250, Prescott Hall, the main building of the Good Will-Hinckley campus, Route 201, Hinckley.

Wednesday 7/25 – Public supper, entrée, beverage, home-made dessert, \$9 adults, \$5 under 10, 5 pm, Fairview Grange, Route 8, Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/25 – Lloyd Irland talk on Maine Forestry, 495-3039, 5:30 pm, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Wednesday 7/25 – “Klu Klux Klan in Maine” by author Mark Alan Leslie, light refreshments provided and books available for purchase, 6-8 pm, 495-3508, Belgrade Public Library, Depot Road, Belgrade.

Wednesday 7/25 – Borderline Express, Waterfront Concert Series, 6 pm to sunset, 626-2352, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/25 – Author visit, “Mainers on the Titanic,” by Mac Smith – Navy veteran and reporter – traces the stories of passengers that had ties to Maine, from their boarding to sinking, rescue and arrival back in the country, and for those who did not survive their final coming ashore in Halifax, Nova Scotia, 6 pm, 465-7533, Oakland Public Library, 18 Church Street, Oakland.

Wednesday 7/25 – An evening with CB Anderson, author of “River Talk,” a story collection featuring the mill towns of Maine and their denizens, 6:30 pm, 626-2415, Lithgow Public Library, Winthrop Street, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/25 through Saturday 7/28 – “The Irish...And How They Got That Way,” 474-7176, Lakewood Theatre, Route 201, Madison.

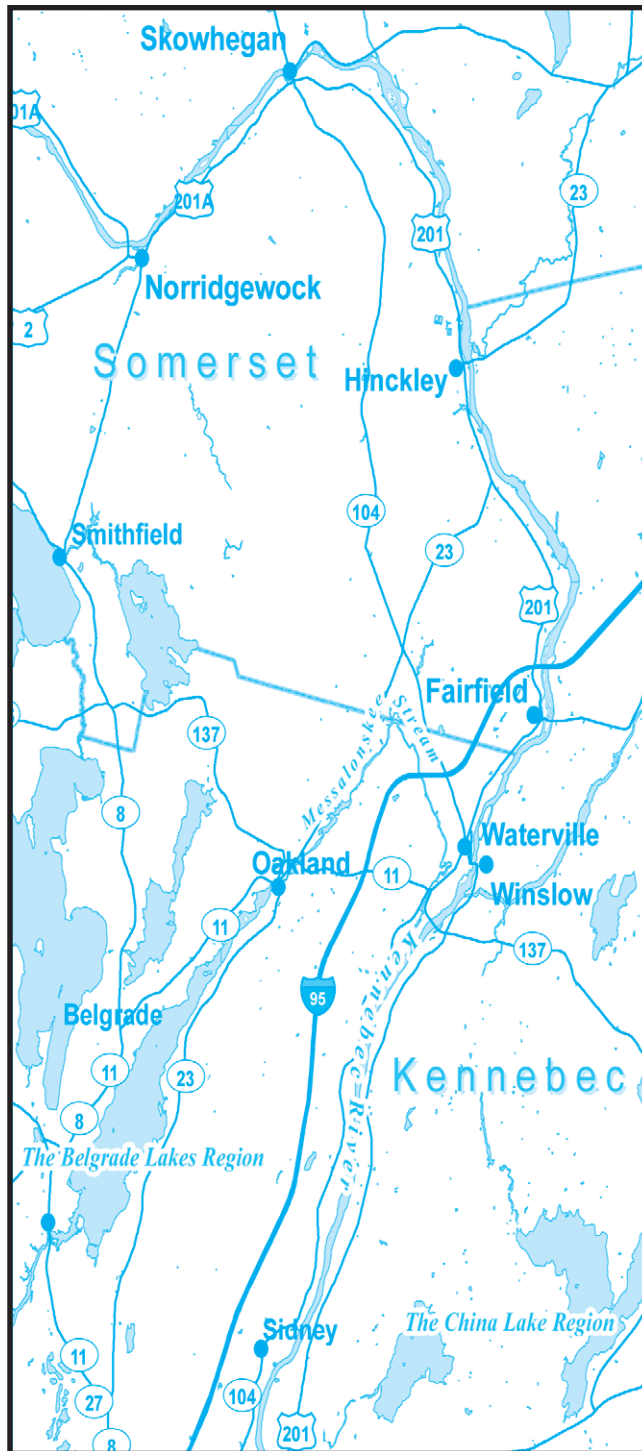
Wednesday 7/25 – New England Music Camp Faculty Artist Recital, open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, Alumni Hall, Route 23, Sidney.

Wednesday 7/25 – Chamber Music Concert, Atlantic Music Festival, 7 pm, 888 704-1311, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Thursday 7/26 – 10th Annual University of Maine at Augusta Athletic Golf Tournament to benefit the sports program, 621-3512, Augusta Golf Course, Route 202, Manchester.

Thursday 7/26 through Sunday 7/29 – Pittston Fair, “Maine's Friendliest Country Fair,” small family-oriented, pulling

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Thursday 7/26 through Saturday 7/28 – Vienna Historical Society 36th consecutive annual plays, “Cheap Lodging Available” by Beverly Wight Smith, set in the Depression and “Ghosts For Sale” by Cheryl Herr-Rains, set within Vienna's Bradley family, 7 pm each evening and 2 pm Saturday, \$6, Union Hall, off Route 41, Vienna.

Thursday 7/26 – Free Waterfront Concert, 6-9 pm, in the gazebo, Waterfront Park, Belgrade Road, Oakland.

Thursday 7/26 – Reading and discussion by Cheryl Grant Gillespie, 1970 graduate of Winslow High School, from “Compassionate Journey: Honoring Our Mothers' Stories,” a collection of 5 essays by Maine women writers about mother/daughter relationships, 6-7:30 pm, 872-1978, Winslow Public Library, 136 Halifax Street, Winslow.

Thursday 7/26 – Atlantic Music Festival, complete baroque opera, Dido and Aeneas, by Henry Purcell, includes props and costumes, 7 pm, 888 704-1311, Strider Theater, Runnals Building, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.
Thursday 7/26 and Friday 7/27 – “Dial ‘M’ for Murder,” pre-view Thursday, opens Friday, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

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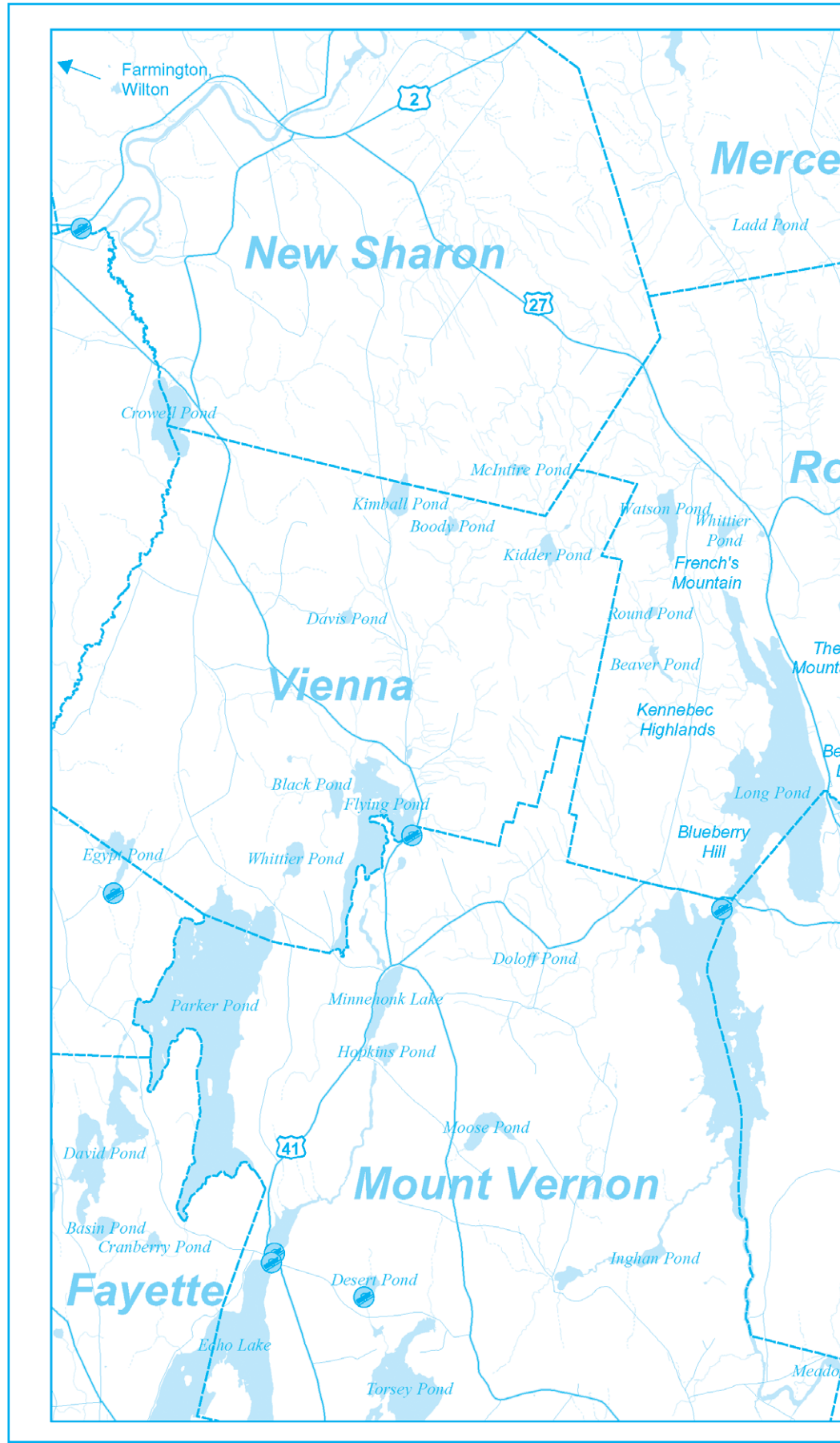
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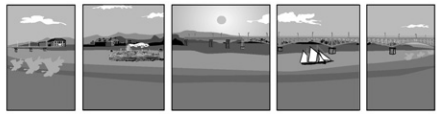
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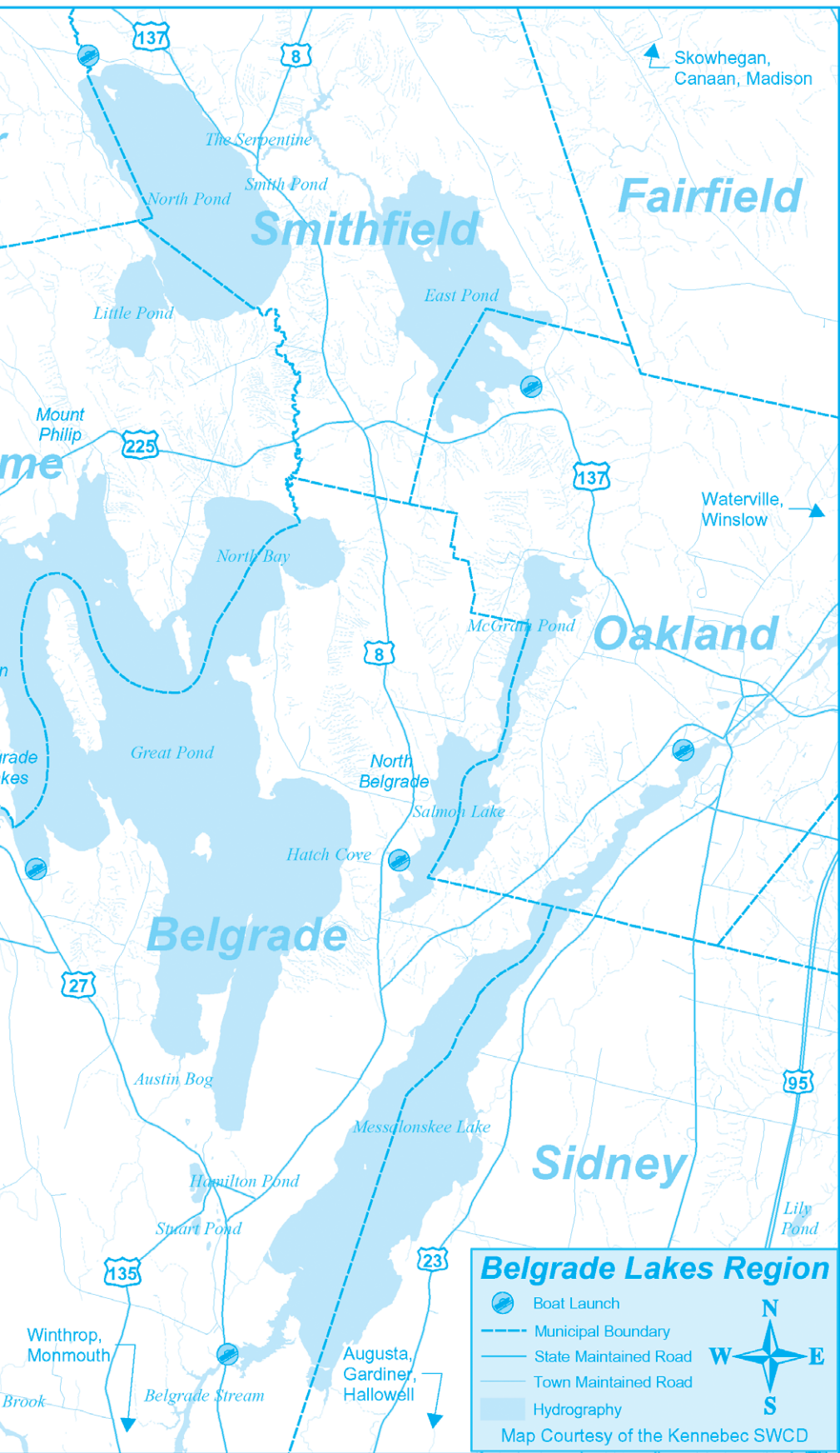


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— Upcoming —

JULY

- Two up and coming fiddlers, Owen Kennedy (13) and Josh White (16), will be performing at the Sawyer Memorial in Greene on Friday, July 27, 2 and 7 pm. Free admission. 946-5311
- Oakfest – Local food, arts, music and fun in Oakland will be held July 27-29 with a parade, Street Dance, crafts, and events for all ages. <http://www.oakfestmaine.com/>
- Summer Fest 2018 – Old Tyme Fun – will be held on Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28 in Farmington; live entertainment, Great Float Race, Bed Race, food court. 491-5533
- The Lake Stewards of Maine will hold their Annual Lake Monitoring Conference on Saturday, July 28, at the The Great Outdoors in Turner starting at 8 am. 783-7733
- Dinner by the Lake will be held on Saturday, July 28, at 6 pm on Long Pond to benefit the Belgrade/Rome Special Needs Food Pantry. 495-2202
- The annual meeting of the North Pond Association will be Saturday, July 28 at the Fairview Grange #342 in Smithfield; 4-5pm social hour, 5-6 pm meeting and eating. 362-1009
- Mr. Harley & the Strollers will perform on Monday, July 30, 5-

7 pm, in the backyard of the Belgrade Public Library. 495-3508

- On July 31 at 1 pm there will be a Kids Workshop at the Maine Lakes Resource Center hosted by the 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance) to teach about aquatic invasive plants; adults required. 495-3617

AUGUST

- The 2018 Rome Yacht Club Regatta will be held on Saturday, August 4 at 10 am in the northern most cove of Great Pond. 283-3642
- There will be a Contra Dance, Saturday, August 4 at the Canaan Farmers Hall, 7:30 pm, with live music by Bien Sur and calling by John McIntire. All ages welcome, no partners necessary, \$8 admission, \$25 family. 399-8454
- The 2nd Nature Day Camp of the season sponsored by the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed will take place August 6-10 at the YMCA Camp of Maine on Cobbossee Lake in East Winthrop. 621-4100
- River Fest takes place in downtown Skowhegan, Wednesday August 1 through Saturday, August 4 to celebrate recreation and life on the Kennebec River. 474-3621
- The Taste of Greater Waterville presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce will be Wednesday, August 8 in downtown Waterville. 873-3315

- ArtWalk Gardiner, featuring open galleries and in-store exhibits, will be Friday, August 3, 5:30-8 pm.

- Celebrate in Belgrade Lakes with the annual Bean Hole Bean Supper put on by Belgrade Fire/Rescue and the Loon Calling Contest on Saturday, August 4. The supper starts at 5 pm; loon calling registration 6:30, contest at 7 pm. 495-3312

- Mercer Old Home Days 2018 are scheduled on Sunday, August 5. www.mercerme.us

- On Thursday, August 9 the annual McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association meeting will be held at 6 pm at the North Belgrade Community Center. 873-5285

- The 2018 North Pond Flotilla Parade takes place, Saturday, August 11, 10 am, north side Hight Island, no rain date. Prizes of \$50, \$25 and \$15 for most festive and creative. 362-1009

- A volunteer training for the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter will be held on Sunday, August 12, 2-4 pm, 19 Colby Street. 872-8082

- The Mt. Philip Grange will hold a monthly bean supper on Saturday, August 18, starting at 4:30 pm. Proceeds will benefit school supplies for Messalonskee Middle School.

- A seminar on Planned Giving will be presented by Gary Melville, Director of Development for the United Methodist Foundation of New England on Sunday, August 19 at 6 pm at the Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.



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There will be a combined pot 50/50 Raffle at the Hathaway Mill Antique Show in coordination with The Waterville Brewing Company on Saturday July 28th! There will be two lucky winners! PRESENCES NECESSARY TO WIN. Tickets will be available for purchase at both locations.

FOOD:

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FLOWERS:

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BREWS:

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–Conservation Too–

A Focused Community Group Helps!

By Dale Finseth

A couple Saturday's ago [July 7th] the Kennebec SWCD spoke to the North Pond Association. We were contacted to talk about buffers and other shoreline practices that landowners could use protecting the water quality of North Pond. Linda and Jodie had done much of the work to coordinate the meeting. They had already done the hard work of organizing the space, time and materials. And the Smithfield Grange provided the location.

The best part was an excellent turnout. With about 25 people showing up for the Saturday morning meeting we had an excellent discussion of how to better protect water quality by establishing BMP's [Better Management Practices] on our property. Both the Grange and a neighbor allowed people to see practices in place and being constructed. 7 Lakes YCC representatives were available to answer questions and explain their work.

The best source of information and expertise was actually sitting around the table – those attending. Neighbors are often the best way to learn about problems you may be experiencing on your property, ways to address that problem and other resources for technical assistance. With the additional assistance of an active watershed association like the North Pond Association it provides even more guidance when you have questions.

What is a "watershed group" or Watershed Association. Some are more formal than others. Some are more expansive and focus their efforts on entire watershed systems. They are composed of people from all walks of life and they share the one pervasive desire to do the right thing for their watershed and the quality of the water in their stream, pond or lake.

Folks want to do the right thing but don't always know what that "right thing" is. This holds true with watershed conservation. Most people have good intentions and would not knowingly harm water resources, particularly if they happen to live



near a lake or pond. We all know what the bottom line is – good water quality is good for the recreation value of our property and it is good for protecting your asset. Even if one's conservation motivations are a bit self-serving, conservation actions still benefit everybody. It's a win-win situation. By using good conservation practices on the land, one is doing what's right for the land, for water quality and in the long run, for real estate values.

Back to the North Pond Association-meeting. - We focused our discussion on buffers, rain gardens and using Erosion Control Mulch to supplement those two practices. We had examples of plants to use in your buffer planting; reviewed a small rain garden which had been installed behind the Smithfield Grange; had the opportunity to look at some "sediment control steps"; and saw the installation of Erosion Control Mulch.

The people sitting around the table were able to suggest ways to address the problems with working around an Ice Berm at their shoreline and the impact of the winter ice erosion on an exposed shoreline. In addition we heard about using different types of buffer plants and how to install ECM in different areas. Given the relatively short period of time available for us, we covered a great deal of material.

Your Watershed Association can help landown-

ers understand how to address a problem on their property. The resulting knowledge about BMP's [Better Management Practices] helps the Association members learn how to fix problem sites and help their neighbors do "the right thing". Groups may purchase bulk materials like Erosion Control Mulch to make it easier for individual landowners to use it. Groups work to help road associations develop Road Management Plans to better spend their maintenance funds on more effective road issues.

By pooling resources, landowners can take action as a group or undertake tasks that require larger

amounts of manpower or money. They also make it easier to take advantage of professional assistance/expertise or financial help. By using the Association, individuals are able to find answers to the question: "What is the right thing to do here?"

Lake associations are able to do important things for their watersheds. This is due in no small part to the fact that they are made up of people who care about the resource and want to see it taken care of properly. That feature alone can make all the difference between active conservation and environmental degradation. As people in the area see good things happening, it generates more and more interest and support. Volunteerism works and the spirit of community stays alive when it is fed by new energy. So keep up the good work out there – you know who you are. We'll follow your lead.

Special thanks to Linda Rice and Jodie Mosher-Towle for their efforts on making the North Pond Association workshop/meeting possible! 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

LakeSmart Tips and Tricks

As we reach the middle of summer and water temperatures rise, you may begin to see more and more algae growth in our lakes. By late August, you may even see algae blooms caused by phosphorus that has washed into the lake. In some states, these blooms have made lakes unusable and unsafe, which leaves a lot of us wondering: How can we slow down the growth of algae? How can we keep our lakes safe and usable? What can I, a lake-loving property owner, do?

Luckily LakeSmart, an educational program run by Maine Lakes Society, is here to help! LakeSmart volunteers visit properties and make recommendations that will help preserve the quality of the lakes. Like we tell everyone we visit, it is all about keeping runoff, which carries unwanted pollutants, out of the lake. Here are a few things you can do to protect the water quality of our lakes:



Photo of the Maine Lakes Resource Center, a LakeSmart property

1. Request a LakeSmart visit to receive personalized recommendations for your property.
2. Participate in the Great Pond watershed survey this September.
3. Cover all bare soil with Erosion Control Mulch or gravel to stabilize the area.
4. Encourage all natural growth to develop along the shore to discourage run-off.
5. Clearly define all recreation areas and pathways to prevent erosion from foot traffic.
6. Eliminate or minimize the use of herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers.

If you are interested in learning more about LakeSmart or scheduling an educational visit for your property, please contact BLA's LakeSmart Director, Sabine Fontaine at lakesmart@blaine.org or 207-512-5150





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Natural Resources Council of Maine

• 13th annual People's Choice Award. Now through Friday, August 3, nominations are welcome to bring recognition to someone who is making a difference for the land, air, water, or wildlife where they live. NRCM will compile the nominees and post finalists on the website beginning Monday, August 13 through noon on Monday, September 10 for online voting. The winner will be awarded at NRCM's Conservation Leadership Awards event this fall. 430-0106

each and have their canvas/paper stamped to authenticate it to be used during the contest. Participants return Friday 6-8 pm with the finished piece and judging will take place Saturday morning before 10 am. All plein air works will be on display Saturday and Sunday 10 am-6 pm for the public to view along with refreshments. Register by September 10 or call to secure a place. 723-4414, 800 970-4278

Monmouth

• The 2018 Slent Auction at the Theater at Monmouth runs from July 26 to August 16 in the Cumston Library Reading Room. All proceeds support TAM's artistic and education programs. Dozens of local businesses have generously donated a dazzling rray of items and experiences. Walk through the auction before a play or during intermission. 933-9999

Mount Vernon

• Nature Art Camp to be held August 7-9 at Quiet Forest includes: Exploring 40 acres on Minnehonk Lake; integrating art and nature; creating a meaningful exploration of materials to learn about the earth and art with local art teacher Rachael Wilson and nature aficionado Merline Douglas. For ages 8-12, 9 am-1 pm. \$25 single day, \$20 a day for all 3 days. Space is limited. Email MindfulBeingMe@gmail.com or call 485-0139

Oakland

• Book and Bake Sale! Oakland Public Library Annual Summer Book Sale. Gently used books and baked goodies. July 17 through 27. 465-7533

Skowhegan

• Concussions! On Tuesday, August 7, 5:30-6:30 pm, a seminar on concussions will be held at the Redington Fairview General Hospital Conference Room #1. Presenter Scot Padelford, LATC, RFGH Certified Athletic Trainer will discuss: What is a concussion and how do they occur? Signs & Symptoms; Management; Return to Participation Guidelines; Return to Academics. Pre-register for this FREE program at 858-2318

Waterville

• Colby College Museum of Art is pleased to announce the major acquisition of Jackson Pollock's Composition with Masked Forms (1941), a critical painting that reflects a watershed moment in the artist's stylistic transition to Abstract Expressionism. It is the first major work by Pollock in a public collection in Maine and will be available for viewing beginning July 11. Held in a private collection since 1973, this acquisition speaks to the Colby Museum's ongoing commitment to adding works that broaden its presentation of American art. 859-4350

Augusta

• New at City of Augusta Recreation - a Visual and Performing Arts Camp, August 6-10. Students may choose 2 of the 4 art disciplines for a full day or 1 of the 4 for a half day experience: art (am and pm), music (am), theater (pm) or dance (am). Instructors are Shalimar Chasse (BSA), Rachel Hamlin (BSA), Linette Gamache (local drummer sharing West African rhythms), Christina Benedict (30 year theater director), and Melanie Pagurko (of DanceMaine!). Fees for the week range from \$125-175 for a half day and \$275-325 for a full day. Camp will end with a Friday evening Art Exhibit and Performance for families and friends. 626-2350

• Upcoming summer seminars at the Michael Klahr Center of the Holocaust and Human Rights Center at the University of Maine Augusta include: "Holocaust and Human Behavior" in partnership with Facing History and Ourselves" on July 25 and 26 and "Yearning to Breathe Free: The Immigrant Experience in Maine" on August 1 and 2. Workshops are designed for middle and high school teachers of history, literature and the humanities. Programs are held at the Michael Klahr Center, University of Maine at Augusta. Register at hhrcmaine.org/2018-summer-seminar or 621-3532

Belgrade

• Come support the newly merged organization of 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance and the Maine Lakes Resource Center) with a fun new trail running 5K race in the Kennebec Highlands. The event will be held rain or shine at the beautiful Round Top trails system in Rome. Registration 7:30-8:30, start time 9 am, \$25 registration. All proceeds go to the 7 Lakes Alliance. 495-6039

Millinocket

• Join the fun during the Trails End Festival! Call to Artists! Katahdin Plein Air Paint Out, September 13-16. Participants register at North Light Gallery Thursday 2-6 pm and Friday 7:30-10:30 am for \$25



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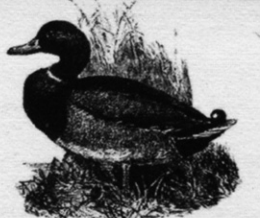
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Winslow

- Winslow Public Library will host a musical program "A History of the 1950s and 60s through Popular Music" on Friday, August 3, 6:30 pm. New York Blues Hall of Fame inductee Marc Black will be the guide on a musical tour through these two historically defining decades. Sing along with Itsy Bitsy, Teeny Weeny Yellow Polka-Dot Bikini and Blowin' in the Wind and other hits of the time, watch a slide show and hear Marc's own group's top forty hit from 1967 (Happy by the Blades of Grass." 872-1978



Modified

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nected feature films as well. The first, *The Reprogramming of Jeremy*, will have its world premiere at the festival. The film is based on a play by Dover-Foxcroft resident Bobby Keniston, who later wrote the screenplay and will introduce the screening. The title character is a sweet, shy, sensitive teen with a secret — he's gay. The film deals with the consequences of the revelation of that secret through documentary-style interviews and flashbacks with Jeremy and his friends, relatives, and acquaintances in his small, close-minded town. The screening is at 12:30 in Railroad Square's Cinema 1. (Yes, unfortunately it conflicts with the Maine Student Film & Video Festival.)

That evening, the Opera House will screen two Maine-related documentaries: *Modified* at 6:30 and *Picture of Light* at 9:30. Shot in Maine and Eastern Canada, *Modified* asks why the U.S. and Canada do not require foods containing genetically modified organisms (GMO) to be labeled as such, even though 64 other countries do. Blending advocacy and memory, *Modified* centers on the director's

relationship to her mother, a gardener and anti-GMO activist who was fighting cancer as the film was being made.

The second film, *Picture of Light* is a meditation on the *aurora borealis*, the Northern Lights, which occasionally grace Maine skies, but can be seen more reliably in the Canadian arctic, where the film was shot. According to the MIFF website, "While combining glimpses of the characters who live in this remote environment with the film crew's comic and absurd attempts to deal with the extreme cold, the film reveals the paradoxes involved in trying to capture the spectacular light show of the Northern Lights on celluloid. But, non-spoiler alert: they do!" Originally released in 1994, the film has been digitally restored.

Admission to the Maine Shorts program or to any of three feature films costs \$10 per person. To buy tickets or get more information, visit www.miff.org or call 866-811-4111. There is no charge to attend the Maine Student Film & Video Festival and reception.

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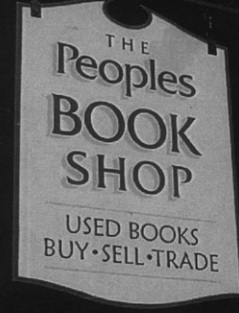
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Vink family on French Mountain

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 a kid-oriented presentation by Chewonki on Predators

(July 24th, 2 PM), and a talk 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. And don't forget the annual Beanhole Supper and Loon Calling Contest also 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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Sprague & Curtis Real Estate, 75 Western Avenue, Augusta, 623-1123, www.spragueandcurtis.com

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

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The Washburn Family in Livermore, Maine

by Martha F. Barkley

Hoping some of you attended the special weekend at The Norlands Museum in Livermore, Maine recently. I understand many Belgrade elementary students have had field trips to the Washburn Family farmstead, community church, gothic library and one room school-house. It is a standing testament to The Remarkable Americans as told by historian Kerck Kelsey.

He has written other better histories since, in my opinion. Each biography about a different Washburn brother improves: Israel Washburn, Jr. Maine's Little-Known Giant of the Civil War and Prairie Lightning; The Rise and Fall of Drew Washington. David McCullough's *The Greater Journey* riveted my attention on Elihu Washburne and his ambassadorship to Paris during the Franco-Prussian War.

Actually, there were seven remarkable brothers and three remarkable sisters raised on that Livermore farm with plenty of hard work, defeat and surmounting of great difficulties. As Billie Gammon summarizes in her fine 23 page booklet: "Two Governors of two different states, Four Congressmen from four different states, One General in the Army, One Captain in the Navy, One Secretary of State, One United States Senator, and Two Foreign Ministers." Wow, definitely remarkable Americans.

The three sisters married well. Caroline married a doctor, Mary waited for her future husband to return from the Goldrush of 1849 and married in 1858 (long wait), and the third sister Martha studied at Waterville Liberal Institute and taught school before marriage.

On one of our extended visits in Paris, France, I dialed the American Embassy daily from our Left Bank hotel to try to make an appointment. Since 9/11 security at American Embassies has been stepped up. Finally on the fifth day I received a return call: "How far away are you?" said the American on the line. I answered we could hop a taxi and be there in minutes. The previous day I had walked by the embassy as I explored the Place de la Concorde and museums nearby. Security guards were all over!

Frank and I arrived quickly to more security guards and much fuss (removing camera and passports) before being greeted. Our guide took us into the beautiful hall of portraits where every ambassador had his distinguished spot. "Where is Elihu Washburne?" was all I could ask. Oh, his portrait is in the Ambassador's office, a place of honor! The pamphlet she gave me had a most extensive biography of Washburne's unusual accomplishments while serving in Paris. He was the only ambassador to remain in the war-torn city to help, while all other nations pulled out.

Elihu's family had to flee to Brussels because conditions were so very risky in Paris. An appointment of privilege turned into one of great challenges for this Washburne, who added the final "e" to his name because history told him his ancestors had spelled it that way. Everyday his diary reveals the plight of individuals helped by our American ambassador who stayed to make a difference when he could have fled like all the other ambassadors.

At this point, you may be wondering about the parents. How could so many accomplished brothers and sisters come from one family in a small, rural town in Maine? It is really quite the story and it is told in all of these books. Each accomplished brother and sister had such hard-working parents.

Read all of these books, but I must admit my favorite is the chapter in David McCullough's *The Greater Journey*. Michael Hill discovered the many letters and daily diary of Elihu when he visited the very stunning gothic library at Livermore, part of The Norlands Museum. David McCullough accompanied his fine researcher and they sat on a hot hot summer day in the shade of a tree and discovered these marvelous, detailed accounts of a very dangerous Paris. Elihu repeatedly reached out to help victims of war.

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Just as Elihu reached out as a young man and helped his very hardworking father on the Livermore farm. His dad was so very kind and ethical, that many neighbors were given needed goods without payment at the Washburn general store, run by Israel, Sr.(1784-1876). Elihu and his brothers and sisters had learned from their parents that there are worse things than going out of business.

"The bankrupt storekeeper turned to farming and there followed a period of extreme poverty. It was necessary for the older boys to earn their own living, and this they did working as farm hands, store clerks, and teachers. It fell to the lot of thirteen year old Elihu to work out a debt of \$25.00 which his father owed to Isaac Lovewell, a neighboring farmer..."


Trying times brought a family together. The mother Patty (given name Martha) Benjamin Washburn influenced her children likewise. "She is the only mother in the U.S. to have four sons elected to Congress. Among her brood were also a banker, an inventor and three daughters." All three daughters grew to be fine women who married well and became devoted mothers with accomplished children. They met their mother's high expectations.

The political affiliations and friendships with Lincoln, Grant (Washburn neighbor when elected president) and others must be mentioned. Also the very well known Gold Medal Flour developed by brother Caldwellader in Wisconsin and Minnesota "was the largest single owner of

mill property in the world. His estate was valued at nearly three million dollars, much of which he left to charity." Israel, his dad, would have been very proud of his son Caldwellader.

Who has heard of these fine women and men from one family in our state? There must be something in the water and soil here that nurtures such character with strong, loving parents who worked and sacrificed for the betterment of others. The extraordinary family support and unity brought about great things for our country.

Read at least one of these mentioned books or a chapter from David McCullough's masterpiece or Billie Gammon's very complete pamphlet entitled "The Washburn Family of Norlands", sold at the museum gift shop. Go visit!

I have enjoyed Livermore every single time, learning something new about the remarkable Washburn family...the great gothic library structure was copied by one brother who worked in Hallowell and loved the design of a church in that nearby town...Can you find it? I did... 

Washburn Book List:

Prairie Lightening, The Rise and Fall of William Drew Washburn
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Israel Washburn Jr, Maine's Little-known Giant Of The Civil War
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Elihu Washburne, Diary and Letters
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Remarkable Americans
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