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How About A Whirlwind Summer Outing

by Esther J. Perne



It's that time of summer. The lakes are a mecca for everyone's idyllic vacation, retreat, time out, day off. The towns are a magnet for outings and activities, fun and festivals. And no, they don't contradict; they complement each other. The central Maine lakes were never singled out for isolation, just for qualities of peace and quiet and overwhelming scenery all within access to stores and libraries and mail (now email) and sociability.

It's that time of summer when the calendar of events has no empty days, the menu of enrich-

ment activities – art, theater, movies, books, music and more music – is packed with opportunities, and organized festivals beckon from every direction.

Organized festivals are one of the great feats of community planning and this time of summer is no exception. Celebrating All That Oakland Has To Offer!, Oakland's Oakfest, July 27-29, leaves no one out. Children's activities, live music and, of course, food from festival fare to serious home cooking or a fest special at a local restaurant await visitors of all ages.

Who doesn't love watching a parade? There will be one at Oakfest on Friday, July 27 at 6 pm, followed by a Street Dance on Main Street. Who isn't tempted to treasure hunt an open air market? There will be one on Saturday, July 28, 10 am-4 pm, at Williams Elementary School, plus plenty of vendors on the school grounds. Who doesn't dream of a rugged physical challenge?

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Most people don't but there'll be one to watch at Oakfest - a triathlon on Sunday, July 29 at the boat landing on Lake Messalonskee.

In addition to discovering Oakland's boat landing/swimming area/park and gazebo which has live music every Thursday, Oakfest is also a reason to discover historic 1815 Macartney House Museum in downtown Oakland or the inviting segment of the Kennebec Messalonskee Trail system that follows Messalonskee Stream.

Fest is the community theme in Farmington this last weekend in July, too, with Summer Fest scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 27 and 28, promoting Old Tyme Fun. Friday's activities start at 3 pm and feature a food court, a talent show and a live concert with the Sunday Project at Meetinghouse Square, Farmington's downtown park and bandstand.

On Saturday, activities are scheduled from an 11 am Children's Parade to a Dreamin' Big Bed Race at 7 pm and include a Farmers' Market, lots of sales, specials, live performers and music, food and, at 1 pm, the Great Float Race down the Sandy River.

The next big Fest coming up will be River Fest in Skowhegan, August 1-4, with many family activities - food, sales, crafts and more downtown as well as events on the Kennebec River. Highlights include a lobster bake, a golf tournament, raft rides and a craft tent.

For those who want less than a full fest, three outstanding annual food experiences in central Maine are on the calendar: the Artisan Bread Fair, July 28, at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds; the legendary Bean Hole Bean supper on Saturday, August 4, followed by the equally legendary Loon Calling Contest, both in Belgrade Lakes; and the Taste of Waterville on Wednesday, August 8 in downtown Waterville.

Too numerous to enumerate are the many theater, music, film, literature, art and enrichment events that are everywhere - especially outdoors - and seemingly anytime throughout the summer.

Take a look at the calendar. There are no empty days.



Dominique Sanda with her MIFF Lifetime Achievement Award. It is a wooden obelisk meant to resemble a lighthouse with Maine scenes carved on the sides. She is flanked by Mike Perreault (left), Executive Director of the Maine Film Center, and Ken Eisen (right), Festival Programmer. Photo by Gregor Smith

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36th Annual Vienna Historical Society
Plays Set for July 26 – 28



For the 36th consecutive year, the Vienna Historical Society will present humorous plays which vividly portray the foibles and eccentricities of small town life. The performances will take place in Vienna Union Hall at 7:00 pm on Thursday and Friday, July 26 and 27; and at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm on Saturday, July 28.

As in past years, the audience will be warmed up by the charming and delightful Brent Smith of Farmington leading everyone in old-time songs, and perhaps a dance or two. Ellie Andrews of Fayette will accompany on piano.

“Cheap Lodging Available,” by Beverly Wight Smith, takes place during the Depression when there are so many people out of work and desperate to generate a little income. This romp is filled with the usual oddball, eccentric and just plain good folk that regularly populate Smith’s plays, along with their assorted escapades, antics, shenanigans and affairs of the heart.

Susanna Chapman, a Vienna woman, has decided to take in boarders to help make ends meet. She is expecting guests for a family reunion, when two dodgy-looking strangers show up needing a room. Unbeknownst to Susanna, the visitors have had a small run-in with the law in Farmington, which leads to hilarious antics. Also, there is a raucous reaction concerning two of the reunion attendees when they discover they share a common upsetting event. In the end, all grievances are settled satisfactorily, and harmony reigns on the farm.

The play is directed by Carole O’Connell, and the cast includes Beverly Smith, Pam Bean, Dan Huettner, Steve Mallen, Matthew Dunn, Ellie Andrews, Megan Goucher, Clyde Dyar, Roger Reville, Barbara Gilman, Kitty Gee, Eileen Lord, Jim Wright, and Allan Harville.

The second play of the evening, “Ghosts For Sale” is set within Vienna’s Bradley family of living and deceased members, and is adapted by Cheryl Herr-Rains from a 1950s play by Foster and Shaw. The story revolves around LuLu Bradley, clairvoyant as a child and a future author, who sets out to sell the family home, which is attended to by Edna, a dedicated but long-suffering maid. However, LuLu’s ghostly pioneer Bradley ancestors, conspire to keep the house in the family, with a variety of antics. After a series of spooked buyers , a wealthy lady who actually wants a haunted house comes to see if her dreams can come true. “Ghosts For Sale” is a hilarious houseful of spooks and spoofs guaranteed to scare up some rollicking laughter.

The play is directed by Cheryl Herr-Rains and Don Petersen, with costumes by June Caldwell. The players include June Caldwell, Chris Crocker, Rocio Carey, Alex Kane, Janet Roderick, Delaney Crocker, Karla Arceneaux, Nate Kane, and Don Petersen.

Admission is \$6 and refreshments will be provided by the Mill Stream Grange. Come early for good seats.

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—The Luckiest Boy—

A Village Stroll in 1959 – Part II

by Rod Johnson

In part one of A Village Stroll, we left the home of Lydia and Albert Johnson (now Hello Good Pie and 39 Main Street) and shuffled our way northerly. Remember, this is 1959.

After going only 20 steps or so, we see the large brown Catholic Church. It has been a landmark since long before I was a wee kid running up and down these streets. History has it that the McCormack-Alter family from New York City purchased the land and arranged to have the church built in 1913. Prior to that many summer residents attended church services provided in the McCormack Camp and others, as well as in the Belgrade Hotel. The church is very much of a seasonal building and is open during the warm months when many Catholic tourists are in residence at cottages. Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings, cars are lined up on both sides of the road. It appears very well kept, with stained glass windows and rustic open beams and boarding inside. We shuffle away from the big brown church, continue northerly and cross the end of school street. The Church operates today still in a seasonal status.

Another twenty feet or so and we stop in front of a large looming building with an old glass bulbous sign hanging off a rusty bracket. The building sits very close to the road. The faded lettering on the round glass says Legion Hall. It appears in major disrepair with scaly dull-white paint over its clapboard siding and is clearly “leaning towards Sawyers.” Not much happens here anymore, though a dwindling American Legion group still has an occasional meeting here. The building gets used lightly by other groups such as the Ladies Aid, a group of card players, maybe a local primary school play as a small stage is present. Since 1959 the building has gone through some major changes. We now know that this was the first school in Belgrade Lakes, circa 1887 to 1929. A new school building replaced this one just behind it on school street in 1929, when classes and

the bell were moved the 100 yards to the East. The Legion bought the building from the Town at that time. Both WWI and WWII spawned many post war groups that bought or built their own buildings during that era. In the 1980’s, a young couple named Martin and Nancy Dionne bought the building from the Legion and did a major renovation. The building was given a complete foundation, all new mechanicals, insulation and trim. The Dionnes used the building for a home on the second floor and a dance studio on the first floor, where Nancy taught dance and yoga. After several years the building was sold to Marcell Schnee and the usage changed from home and dance studio to a physical therapy facility, apartment above and print shop in the newer basement. This arrangement continues today.

Let us march forth another 20 yards or so until we are directly opposite the flower garden at the intersection of West Road and route 27, still on the East side of the road.

A nearly new small home has recently been built. The owners are Charles and Shirley Blood. Shirley, daughter of Sadie Yeaton, waves a hello as she works in the small flower bed along the front of the house. Charlie is in the lumber and land business. The home was later sold to Bob and Bonnie Teague who brought up their two sons there. Several other owners have occupied the home since, but the appearance has changed little other than cosmetics.

As we continue northerly down the street, our next stop will be a large brown colored home with a hip roof and several shed dormers. It has long been the home of Chester Thwing, owner and builder of Woodland Camps. I personally know him as the old man who has a Stanley Steamer in the garage. Each summer he fires up the boiler and takes all us town kids for a joy ride. (For more on that see my story in The Luckiest Boy, Season II)

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— Take It Outside —

The third Saturday in July was the annual loon count in Maine, coordinated by Maine Audubon. See: (<https://www.maineaudubon.org/projects/loons/>). Every year over 1000 volunteers, of which I am one, attempt to count all the loons on a couple hundred Maine lakes at the same time. It's organized like a military operation and I am the coordinator for the dozen or so volunteers on Long Pond. Early in the morning all counters head for their assigned section of the lake to be in position to count all the adult loons and loon chicks in their area between 7:00 AM and 7:30 AM. I left my dock around 6 AM, planning to fish for a bit before picking up my assistant counter, Fred Knight, at the Village Inn docks at 6:45. I was grateful for the blue skies and light winds compared to last year's cold and rain but as I cleared my cove, I realized there was a solid fog bank beginning about 1/2 way down the lake. It looked like it was burning off fairly rapidly but visibility was going to be reduced so we would have to search slower than usual with closer spacing on our tracks. Our assigned sector was Lynch Cove, one of the smaller sectors, so I wasn't worried. I thought about Carl von Clausewitz's "Fog of War" and how it affected even small operations like ours. I began trolling slowly through the fog toward the dock when I spotted Fred heading down to the dock. I picked him up and we headed into our sector, looking for loons. We spotted one loon surfacing in the

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Counting Loons

by Pete Kallin



Trolling through the "Fog of War" at 6:40 AM
(Photo by Fred Knight).



Loon chicks waiting for dad to bring food.



Lynn Matson with Grandson, Alex on the Kennebec River in Waterville.

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From its fenced front porch, to the enclosed back porch with a wrap-around deck that expands living space for much of the year, the house is an open-concept charmer with plenty of Maine coast character. The 0.17-acre lot's long, beautifully landscaped back lawn includes a garden shed and a patio; borders pretty marshland; and enjoys glorious sunsets.

A large, carpeted living/dining room fronts the interior. The tiled, Euro-fla-

vor kitchen has a gas range. The two main-level bedrooms include a master suite. The finished, daylight, walkout lower level adds family/overflow space; has a full bath, and even a kitchenette.

The home is also a significant income-producer with an established rental history. (The seller covers all household expenses by renting just two or three weeks in-season.) Please note that the property is offered with furnishings.

Pine Point is a very walkable enclave, with several restaurants an easy stroll away. The location is extremely convenient to I-95 and to attractions including Funtown, Old Orchard Beach, the historic Saco Drive-In, and kayaking and birding at the Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center nature preserve.

The home at 29 East Grand Ave., Pine Point, Scarborough, is listed for sale at \$495,000 by Sarah Allarie of Hoang Realty in Augusta. Please contact Sarah at 242-9842, 623-0623, or at realtor.allarie@gmail.com.



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- **Farmers' Market at the Arboretum**, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm
- **Art in the Capitol**, Maine Arts Commission monthly self-guided exhibits in State House hallways (Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm), Blaine House (call for times), and Maine Arts Commission Office (8:30am-4:30 pm), 287-6746, mainearts.maine.gov
- **Children's Discovery Museum**, CDM, hands-on displays, activities, Tuesday-Thursday 10 am-4 pm, Friday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 11 am-4 pm, admission, 622-2209, www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org, 171 Capitol Street
- **Danforth Gallery**, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234, www.uma.edu
- **Governor's Mansion**, 1830 Blaine House, Tuesday-Thursday 2-4 pm, 287-2121, www.blainehouse.org, State Street
- **Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine**, Michael Klahr Center, Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm, 621-3530, www.hhrc.uma.edu, University of Maine at Augusta, off Route 27
- **Kennebec Historical Society**, Wednesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, www.kennebechistorical.org, 107 Winthrop Street
- **Maine State Museum**, Tuesday-Friday 9 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, \$2 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, 287-2301, www.maine.statemuseum.org
- **Maine State House**, Hall of Flags, House and Senate Rooms, Klir Beck dioramas, Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm, book tours at Maine State Museum, walk-ins welcome 9 am-1 pm, 287-5600, www.maine.gov, State Street
- **Maine State Library**, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/, State Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, walking/history tour, www.augusta-maine.gov, Water Street/downtown.
- **Old Fort Western**, 1754 fort, house, store, 1-4 pm daily, admission \$6, 4-14 years \$4, 626-2385, www.oldfortwestern.org, Cony Street
- **Riverfront Park**, boat launch, Greenway Trail, playground, eastside Kennebec River
- **Kennebec River Rail Trailhead**, Maine State Housing Authority parking lot, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, Water Street
- **University of Maine at Augusta Fitness Trail**, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center, Route 27
- **Farmers' Market at Mill Park**, Tuesday 2-6 pm, 626-2305, www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/, North Water Street
- **Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall**, 549-5112, Wednesday 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

FAIRFIELD

- **Fairfield Historical Society**, 1890 Cotton-Smith History House, every Tuesday 9 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm and second Saturday of month, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalociety.net, 42 High Street
- **Farmers' Market**, 948-5724, Wednesday 2-6 pm, Saturday 9:30 am-1:30 pm, Nazarene Church parking lot, 81 Main Street

FARMINGTON

- **Farmington Historical Society, Titcomb House Museum**, 778-4275, Wednesday and Saturday, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, www.farmingtonhistory.org, 118 Academy Street
- **Nordica Homestead Museum**, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-12 noon and 1-5 pm, Sunday 1-5 pm, www.lilliannordica.com, 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Road
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- **Farmers' Market**, 778-6602, Friday 9 am-2 pm, Better Living Center parking lot, Front Street; Saturday 8 am-12 noon, Main Street
- **Meetinghouse Park and Gazebo**, weekly concerts throughout summer, downtown
- **Fairgrounds**, events throughout summer, Franklin County Fair in September, High Street

GARDINER

- **Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press**, Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, 582-6600, www.theartdogs.com, 275-277 Water Street
- **Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center**, 582-7144, www.johnsonhall.org 280 Water Street
- **Monkitree**, art exhibits, 512-4679, www.monkitree.com, Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-6 pm, 263 Water Street
- **SpinOff Studio**, 588-7297, spinoffstudio.org, Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 405 Water Street
- **Farmers' Market**, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, access near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta
- **Waterfront Park**, picnicking, events throughout summer, Kennebec River

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- **Gaslight Theater**, 626-3698, www.gaslighttheater.org City Hall, 1 Winthrop Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, history/walking tour, www.historichallowell.org, downtown
- **Farmers' Market**, 622-1350, Sun 3-6 pm, Water Street
- **Vaughn Woods and Homestead**, 166 acre park/trails/homestead, Middle Street
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, www.krrt.org, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street
- **Waterfront Park**, deck/walkway on Kennebec River, North Water Street

HINCKLEY

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

KINGFIELD

- **Ski Museum of Maine**, 265-2023, www.skimusuemofmaine.org, 256 Main Street
- **Stanley Museum**, 265-2729, www.stanleymuseum.org, memorabilia/displays on photographs, violins and Stanley Steamers, Tuesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 40 School Street

LIVERMORE

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MONMOUTH

- **Monmouth Museum**, local and regional Maine history, Wednesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 933-2287, www.monmouthmuseum-inc.org, 751 Main Street
- **The Theater At Monmouth**, The Shakespeare Theater of Maine, Cumston Hall, 933-9999, www.theateratmonmouth.org, Main Street

MOUNT VERNON

- **D.E.W Animal Kingdom**, Zoo, 293-2837, 918 Pond Rd, Route 41

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NORRIDGEWOCK

- **Norridgewock Historical Society Museum**, 1838 building, Saturday 10 am-1 pm, 634-5032, www.norridgewockmuseum.com, Mercer Road, Route 2
- **Oosoola Park**, picnic area, great playground, boat launch, on Kennebec River, Route 8

OAKLAND

- **Macartney House Museum, Oakland Area Historical Society**, 465-7549, Wednesday 1:30-4:30 pm, 1815 home with antique furnishings and Oakland artifacts, 25 Main Street
- **Town Parks**, playground, picnic tables, swimming area, boat launch area, Belgrade Road on Lake Messalonskee and McGrath Pond Road on McGrath Lake
- **Farmer’s Market**, Friday 2-6 pm, 465-3094, Pine Acres Parking Lot, 895 Kennedy Memorial Drive

READFIELD

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

ROME

- **Mt. Philip Grange**, suppers 3rd Sat of month, 4:30-6 pm, all you can eat beans, cornbread, rolls, chop suey, pies, Routes 135/225
- **Trails**: Mount Philip, Route 225; The Mountain, Route 27; French's Mountain and Kennebec Highlands, Watson Pond Road; for information call 495-6039 or visit www.belgradelakes.org; maps available at BRCA, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes

SIDNEY

- **New England Music Camp**, concerts free and open to the public, Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, www.nemusiccamp.com, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23
- **Sidney Historical Society**, 724-8032, www.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
- **Smithfield History Society “The Groves House,”** 634-4392, 21 Lakeview Drive
- **Sunbeam Roller Rink**, 362-4951, 830 Village Rd, Route 8

UNITY

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

WATERVILLE

- **Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT)**, 873-7000, www.acattheatre.org, Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, downtown history /walking tour, www.themuseuminthestreets.com/waterville.htm
- **Head of Falls Park/Two Cent Bridge**, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River connecting Waterville and Winslow, Front Street
- **Common Street Arts**, 872-2787, www.commonstreetarts.org, Wednesday through Saturday noon to 5 pm, Thursday until 6 pm, 93 Main Street
- **Colby College Museum of Art**, 859-5600, www.colby.edu/museum/ Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 12-5 pm, free admission, Colby College Campus, Mayflower Hill
- **Colby College Special Collections**, Miller Library, Monday-Friday 10 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm, free admission
- **Thomas College Art Gallery**, 180 West River Road
- **Waterville Historical Society and Redington Museum**, 1814 home and pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tuesday-Saturday tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver Street
- **Waterville Opera House**, 873-7000, www.operahouse.com, 93 Main Street
- **Farmers’ Market**, Thursday 2-6 pm, 680-2055, www.watervillefarmersmarket.org,

WAYNE

- **Farmers' Market**, 685-4657, <http://waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com>, Saturday 9 am-noon, Town Green, at the Mill Pond, Main Street

WILTON

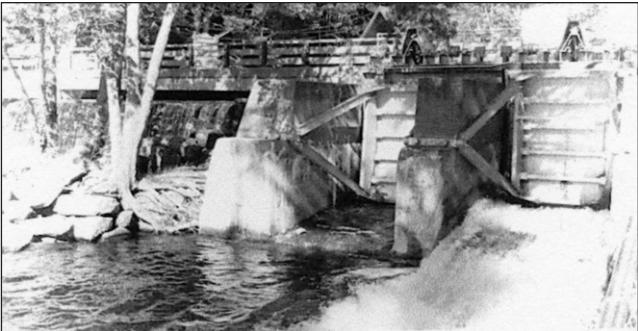
- **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org, Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

WINSLOW

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

WINTHROP

- **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

As of this writing we have received 1.23” of precipitation in the past 10 days with 1.73” forecasted for the next 10! Yeah!! Although this precipitation is a tremendous improvement over the past few months, it does remain to be seen if this is a new weather pattern and we achieve the normal 3.43” /mo. of precipitation for this time of year. We are finally heading in the right direction so thanks to all for those rain dances!

Great Pond is now 5.76” below full pond with Long Pond currently at 7.56” below full. Salmon remains 6-7” below full. For those of you with boatlifts, you’ll still want to keep an eye on things to make sure that you can still get your boat off. Water levels are still very low for this time of year.

Your nine representatives on the Interlakes Dams Committee are still vigilantly monitoring our water levels with daily reports and monthly meetings. And we are still doing our rain dances – which incidentally, isn’t pretty!

Enjoy the family, your vacation and this beautiful weather!

Dick Greenan

Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee

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ue to house the Common Street Arts gallery, classroom, and clay studio, but also a modern art gallery for the Colby Museum of Art, rehearsal space for the Waterville Opera House, a new media and film-editing classroom, and the three movie theaters that are now at Railroad Square Cinema. The renovation would include removing the building’s fourth floor and part of the southern brick wall along Castonguay Square. The latter would be replaced by a wall of glass that would extend all the way to Waterville City Hall. The space between The Center and City Hall would be enclosed in a two-story, glass atrium.

The project is expected to cost \$18 to \$20 million, \$8 million of which had been raised before the project was publicly announced in early March. There is no set time frame for completion. Construction will not begin until the requisite funds have been raised, but is expected to take about 18 months. For more information about the project, visit www.downtownartscenter.org.



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— Calendar —

Thursday 7/26 and Friday 7/27 - Kneading Conference, gathering of farmers, millers, bakers, maltsters, researchers and grain enthusiasts from around the world for workshops, tours, presentations, oven-building, grain growing and businesses, www.heartofmaine.org/kneading/, 947-6622, Kennebec Valley Community College, Route 201, Hinckley.

Wednesday 7/25 through Saturday 7/28 - Maine Quilts Show 2018, 41st Anniversary Show, workshops, demonstrations, lectures, raffle, 9 am-5 pm, 626-2405, Augusta Civic Center, 76 Community Drive, Augusta.

Thursday 7/26 through Sunday 7/29 - Pittston Fair, "Maine's Friendliest Country Fair," small family-oriented, pulling events, Strawberry Festival, Historical Museum, exhibits, pig scramble, midway, fireworks, bicycle giveaway, fry pan toss, whoopee pie contest, admission 14 and under free, adult \$6, free parking, no pets, 582-8861, www.pittstonfair.com, Pittston.

Thursday 7/26 through Saturday 7/28 - Vienna Historical Society 36th consecutive annual original plays set in Vienna: "Cheap Lodging Available" by Beverly Wight Smith and "Ghosts For Sale" by Cheryl Herr-Rains, 7 pm each evening, 2 pm Saturday matinee, Vienna Union Hall, off Route 41, Vienna.

Thursday 7/26 and Friday 7/27 - "Dial 'M' for Murder," 7:30 pm Thursday and Friday, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater At Monmouth.

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

Friday 7/27 through Sunday 7/29 - Eastern Maine Agility & Dog Show, 586-5110, Fairgrounds, Madison Avenue, Route 201, Skowhegan.

Friday 7/27 through Sunday 7/29 - Oakfest, local food, arts, music and fun, parade, Street Dance, crafts, events for all ages, www.oakfestmaine.com, downtown Oakland.

Friday 7/27 and Saturday 7/28 - Summer Fest, Old Tyme Fun, live entertainment, Bed Race, Great Float Race, food court, sales, fun, 491-5533, downtown Farmington.

Friday 7/27 - Last Day for Annual Summer Book and Bake Sale, 465-7533, Oakland Public Library, 18 Church Street, Oakland.

Friday 7/27 - Southside Cemetery Tour, "Stone Stories" with Kay Marsh, rain date July 28, 10 am, \$5 donation suggested, 474-6632, meet at cemetery entrance, upper Main Street, Skowhegan.

Friday 7/27 - Animal Talk with Gene Roy, the sounds of nature and why animals communicate by sound, featuring recorded calls of mammals, birds, amphibians, insects and reptiles, Summer Reading Program, 10:30 am, 465-7533, Public Library, Church Street, Oakland.

Friday 7/27 - Owen Kennedy (age 13) and Josh White (16), up and coming fiddlers, free admission, 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, The Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

Friday 7/27 - Waterfront Concert Series, featuring Mike Van Summern Band, free, 6-7:30 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Friday 7/27 - Waterville Rocks concert, "Girls, Guns, and Glory" and the "JT Lockwood Band," free and family-friendly, 5:30-8:30 pm, Castonguay Square, downtown Waterville.

Friday 7/27 - Chamber Music Concert, Atlantic Music Festival, 7 pm, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

Friday 7/27 - Poetry Reading: Annaliese Jakimides and Carol Bachofner, with live music by Patrick Shepard, a night of poetry and music surrounded by art, 7 pm, 622-3813, The Harlow, Water Street, Hallowell.

Friday 7/27 - Faculty Artist Recital, New England Music Camp, free, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

Saturday 7/28 - Paddle Trek, day-long guided trip, Mount Vernon Village to Wayne Village, sponsored by the 30 Mile River Watershed Association, register at www.30mileriver.org, 7:30 am-3 pm, 860-4043, depart downtown Mount Vernon.

Saturday 7/28 - 2018 Lake Stewards of Maine (formerly the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program - VLMP) Annual Lake Monitoring Conference, speakers, an exhibitors' area, a volunteer recognition ceremony, a mobile laboratory, fabulous door prizes and lunch, free for certified VLP lake moitors, \$35 guests, \$20 for students, 783-7733, Great Outdoors, Pleasant Pond, Turner.

Saturday 7/28 - Maine Artisan Bread Fair, over 60 vendors, delicious breads, pastries, books, equipment, professional bakers, live music, demos, superb Maine made foods, free, everyone is invited, 9 am-3 pm, 717-4578, Skowhegan Fairgrounds, Route 201, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

Saturday 7/28 and Sunday 7/29 - Summer Antique Show, 40+ dealers, food and brews on site, inside rain or shine, 10 am-5 pm, 877-0250, Hathaway Mill, 10 Water Street, Waterville.

Saturday 7/28 - Old Time Toys, take a trip through history and explore some of the popular games kids played a hundred years ago, roll a hoop, play a proper Victorian game called Graces, try a ring toss, write on a slate board and more, and make a craft to take home, 1-2 pm, adults \$3, under 18 \$1, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Saturday 7/28 - "Pride@Prejudice," 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

Saturday 7/28 - New England Music Camp Concert, free and open to the public, 3 pm, 465-3025, Bowl in the Pines, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/28 - North Pond Association Annual Meeting, hear about accomplishments and plans for the future, guest speakers, discuss watershed issues, 4-5 pm social time, 5-6 pm meeting, 362-1009, Fairview Grange, Main Street, Smithfield.

Saturday 7/28 - Summer Smogasbord, adults \$8, children under 12 \$4, under 5 free, 5-6 pm, Waterville First Congregational Church-UCC, Corner of Main Street and Eustis Parkway, Waterville.

Saturday 7/28 - Dinner by the Lake, to benefit the Belgrade/Rome Special Needs Food Pantry, 6 pm, 495-2202, Long Pond, Belgrade.

Saturday 7/28 - "Enchanted April," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Maine Street, The Theater At Monmouth.

Sunday 7/29 - "Enchanted April," 1 pm, "Richard III" by William Shakespeare 7 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Sunday 7/29 - New England Music Camp Concert, "Bowl in the Pines," free, every-

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one welcome, 3 pm, 465-3025, Route 23, Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

Sunday 7/29 - Belgrade Lakes Association Meeting, Great Pond and Long Pond, 4-6 pm, 512-5150, Belgrade Lakes Golf Club, West Road Belgrade Lakes.

Sunday 7/29 - Sharon Hood Band, Coburn Park Concerts, bring lawn chairs and blankets, 5-6:15 pm, Philbrick Gazebo, Route 2, Skowhegan.

Monday 7/30 - Mr. Harley and the Strollers, 5-7 pm, 495-3508, in the back yard, Belgrade Public Library, Depot Road, Belgrade.

Tuesday 7/31 - "The True Story of Little Red," family show, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

Tuesday 7/31 - Kids Workshop, learn about invasive plants, an adult required, 1 pm, 495-3617, 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance), Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/31 - "Emoji," free outdoor family movie night, 474-3621, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Tuesday 7/31 - "Facing the Golden Years With Confidence," a series of programs for the community, first session focus is on the New Tax Law and its implications for everyone, speaker Joy M. Intriago, CPA, free and open to the public, 6 pm, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Tuesday 7/31 - "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

Wednesday 8/1 - Honor Camper Recital, New England Music Camp, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, free, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

Wednesday 8/1 and Thursday 8/2 - "Yearning to Breathe Free: The Immigrant Experience in Maine," workshops designed for middle and high school teachers of history, literature and the humanities, 621-3532, Michael Klahr Center, University of Maine, Augusta.

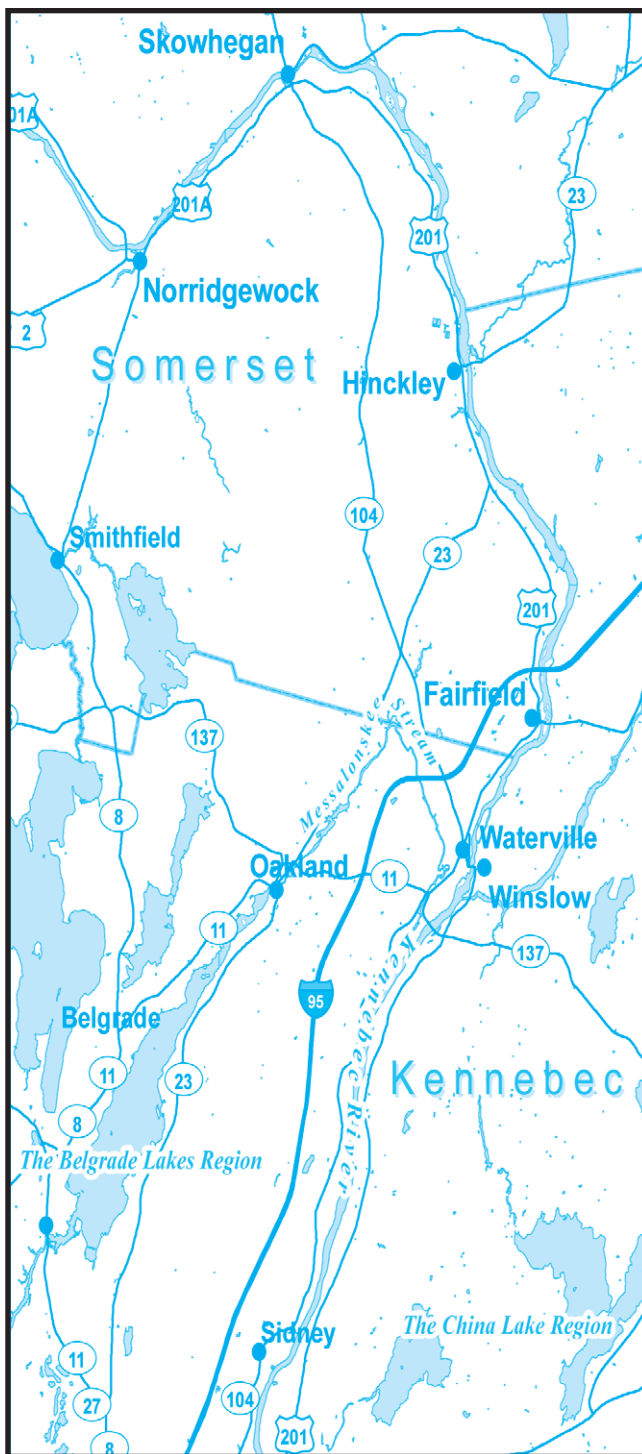
Wednesday 8/1 through Saturday 8/4 - Monmouth Fair, small family fair, bicycle giveaways, pig scramble, small midway, exhibits, history building, maine.gov/dacf, Monmouth.

Wednesday 8/1 through Saturday 8/4 - Skowhegan River Fest 2017, celebrating recreation and life on the Kennebec River, highlights include Moonlight Madness, Rotary Lobster Bake, Drivers and Duffers Golf Classic, 474-3621, events centered on the Kennebec River and downtown Skowhegan.

Wednesday 8/1 - North Pond Plant Paddle, survey for invasive aquatic plants, no skills required, bring kayak, canoe, paddle board or snorkel, lindance74@yahoo.com, North Pond, Smithfield.

Wednesday 8/1 - "Enchanted April," 1 pm, "Richard III,"

Kennebec Corridor



by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

Wednesday 8/1 - Public Supper, entree, potato, vegetable, bread, beverage, dessert, 5 pm, Fairview Grange, Main Street, Route 8, Smithfield.

Wednesday 8/1 - TICKLE, Waterfront Wednesday Concert, sponsored by the City of Augusta Recreation Bureau, 6 pm to sunset, 626-2350, Waterfront Park, off Water Street, downtown Augusta.

Wednesday 8/1 - "The North Pond Hermit" presentation with Meaghan Maloney, Diane Vance and Terry Hughes, 6-8 pm, light refreshments, 495-3508, Belgrade Public Library, 124 Depot Road, Belgrade.

Thursday 8/2 - Concert, free, outdoors, at the gazebo, 6-9 pm, Waterfront Park, Oakland.

Thursday 8/2 through Sunday 8/5 - "The Legend of Georgia McBride," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 8/2 - "Twelfth Night," by William Shakespeare, 1 pm, "Richard III," by Pride@Prejudice," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater At Monmouth.



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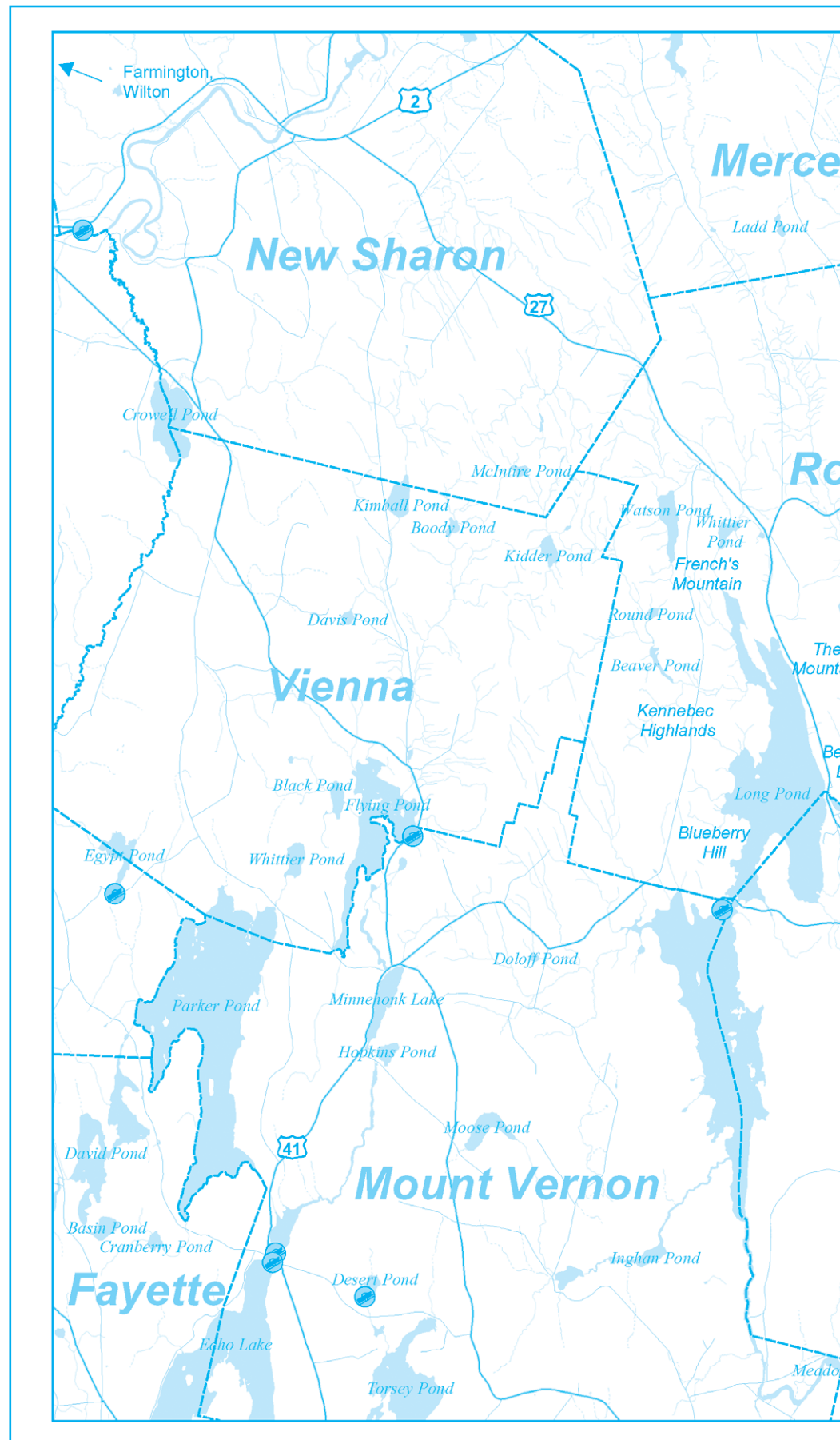
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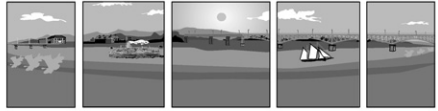
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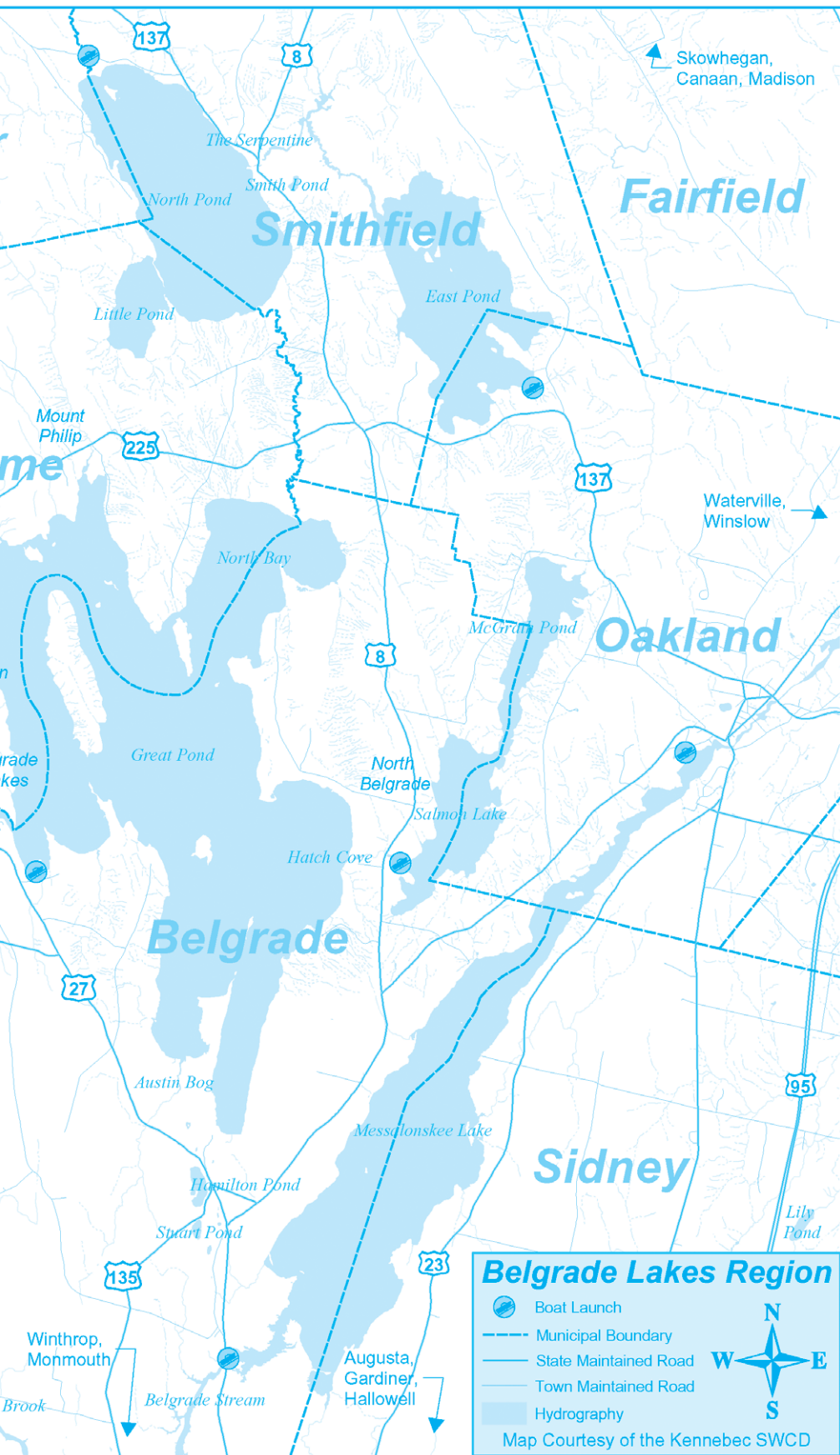


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- Rome Yacht Club 2018 Regatta, with 2 classes of boats, is Saturday, August 4 at 10 am in the northern most cove of Great Pond. 283-3642
- On Saturday, August 4 at 9 am, the 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance), 5K Trail Run, will be held on Round Top Mountain, Kennebec Highlands in Rome. 495-6039
- Wayne's Cary Library 7th Annual 5K Walk/Run/Race set for August 4, 8:15 am, \$15, to benefit the library; starts Wayne Elementary School. 685-3612
- The Annual Beanhole Bean Supper sponsored by Belgrade Firefighters Association will be held on Saturday, August 4, 5-7 pm at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons. \$10 adults, \$5 children age 5-12, under age 5 free. Music by the Gawler Family.
- On Saturday, August 4, there will be a Contra Dance at 7:30 pm featuring live music with Bien Sur and calling with John Macintire, \$8, historic Canaan Farmers Hall. 399-8454
- Mercer Old Home Days are scheduled on Sunday, August 5. www.mercerme.us
- The Loon Lap, Mount Vernon 5K, walk/run around Minnehonk Lake and Hopkins Pond will be Sunday, August 5,

rain date August 13, 10 am-noon, at 9:30 am at the Mount Vernon Community Center.

- On Sunday, August 5, 9 am-3 pm, the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons will host the Belgrade Lakeside Artisan Show with artisans and handcrafters from around the state. 495-3481
- Come join in fellowship with Friends and Neighbors Lunch, 11:30-1 pm, Thursday, August 9 at the Union Church in Belgrade Lakes.
- Visual and Performing Arts Camp begins August 6 through 10 with City of Augusta Recreation; half and full day workshops in art, music, theater and dance. 626-2350
- Nature Art Camp – Quiet Forest, Mount Vernon will be held August 7-9 with local art teacher Rachael Wilson and nature aficionado Merline Douglas, ages 8-12, 9 am-1 pm. 485-0139
- Taste of Waterville, Wednesday, August 8, 11 am-11 pm, will feature children's events, Sparks The Rescue, a Meatball Eating Contest and 11 restaurants, 15 bite booths and over 18 vendors. www.TasteofWaterville.com
- August 9-18 are the dates of the Skowhegan State Fair, featuring a huge midway, animal exhibits, crafts, commercial exhibits, flower shows, animal pull events and harness racing.
- The annual Oakland Alumni Association reunion and banquet will be Saturday, August 11 at the Waterville Elks Club at 10:30 am. 441-7055

- The 1st Annual Bluegrass Music Festival at the Sandy River Music Barn will be held on Saturday, August 11, 1-8 pm, featuring Blistered Fingers, Back Woods Road and Wilf Clark & The Misty Mountaineers. 504-0138
- The Mr. Philip Grange will hold a monthly bean supper on Saturday, August 18, starting at 4:30 pm. Proceeds will benefit school supplies for Messsalonskee 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.
- On August 22-26, the 51st Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival will be held at Litchfield Fairgrounds with 12 bands, Kids Academy, camping, food, field pickin' and more. Children 16 and under free with adult. 873-6539

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- On Friday, September 7, Maine Preservation in support of Maine places that matter will hold it sannual Gala at the Portland Masonic for an evening of friends, music, hors d'oeuvres, desserts. 847-3577
- The Autumnfest Horse Show will be September 8 and 9 at Skowhegan Fairgrounds. Free admission, covered arena, concessions, barns to visit. 676-8529
- The Common Ground Country Fair, sponsored by the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association will be September 21-23 at the fairgrounds in Unity



Readfield Festival Days



Readfield Depot was once a thriving village. In this 1920 photo are Chesley's blacksmith shop, the Sherburne residence, Gordon's Store, and the Gordon & Henry sawmill, granary and elevator. Beyond those buildings are the railroad tracks and, out of sight, the train station and more. A walking tour will take place at Readfield Depot village on Saturday, August 11th, led by Readfield historian and author, Dale Potter-Clark.

Readfield Historical Society (RHS) will host two events during Readfield Festival Days. Their 15th annual Wine and Cheese soiree will be held on Friday, August 10th 5-7pm at the RHS building, 754 Main

Street. Guests will enjoy an assortment of cheeses, sausages, crackers, pickles and cookies. Wine and non-alcoholic beverages will also be served. Come and learn about Readfield's history by taking in the museum displays, collections and visiting other folks with similar interests.

On Saturday morning, August 11th Dale Potter-Clark will lead a history walk of Readfield Depot village. The village became established soon after the railroad came through town in 1849. Tourism followed and the area branched out into yet another realm. "The Depot", as locals called it, continued to flourish until well after WWII. Today little evidence remains of the businesses that once existed there. Following a photo show that depicts Readfield Depot in its heydays, Potter-Clark will lead participants on a walking tour of the village to point out where some of the buildings, enterprises and other features once existed. History walk participants should meet at RHS by 10am.

All are welcome. There is no fee for either event. Members and those who wish to join RHS are encouraged to attend. FMI contact RHS president Bob Harris at (207) 377-2299 or readfieldhistorical@gmail.com. Potter-Clark can be reached at (207) 441-9184 or crossings4u@gmail.com



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—Conservation Too—

Some Common Questions about Conservation Practices

By Dale Finseth

How can I plant a buffer and not lose my view?

Buffers are not "one size fits all". Whenever designing a buffer for a landowner the first things to consider are the goals and objectives of the landowner. It does no good to install a planting that the homeowner dislikes. And it is depressing to install a buffer only to have the homeowner shear it down because it is in the way. The great thing about plants is that there are so many shapes and sizes to choose from. You can create a very effective buffer with plants that only reach a couple feet in height. If you have large trees, you can prune lower branches to create a window beneath the canopy.

What about pet wastes? Do they have an effect on water quality?

Pet wastes can have a serious impact on the water quality of lakes and streams. Pet waste washed into a lake uses up oxygen, releases ammonia, can cause algae blooms and disease. Children, adults and pets that spend time around or in the water are most at risk for the diseases and infections found in and caused by pet waste. If you have pets, the best strategy is to keep a supply of plastic grocery bags on hand and do a cleanup every few days. The bags can be thrown away with the trash or contents can be buried away from the water, gardens, kids etc.

How can I stop my shore from eroding?

This is a tough one to answer without looking at the site but the first thing to decide is what type of erosion your shore is experiencing. Is it wave action or runoff from land that is causing the problem? If it is runoff from a driveway, buildings or the lawn, buffers of various types may remedy the problem. Planting shore stabilizing vegetation with deep roots or allowing parts of a lawn to remain un-mowed will provide two types of protection. If you are planting or maintaining a vegetative buffer, combine the vegetation with a raised berm to help slow the flow and redirect stormwater into

the sideyard, a raingarden or other area where it can seep into the ground more slowly. If wave action or ice damage is the culprit, fixes may require some kind of armoring such as rock combined with stabilizing vegetation. Any armoring effort probably requires a permit. Contact your local town, Maine DEP or even the local YCC group for assistance.

My camp road or driveway washes out each spring. What can I do to fix it?

There are two approaches to "fixing" these types of roads. There is the popular band-aid approach where money is spent each season on gravel to fix washouts disregarding why the road washes out. A better "Option B" is to find the reason for the washouts, fix them and then do some annual maintenance. The initial cost of "Option B" which could include a Gravel Road Management Plan, can be larger than the band-aid method but will save lots of money and aggravation in the long run. It also helps protect water quality over the long run.

Do all of those outboard motors pollute the lake?

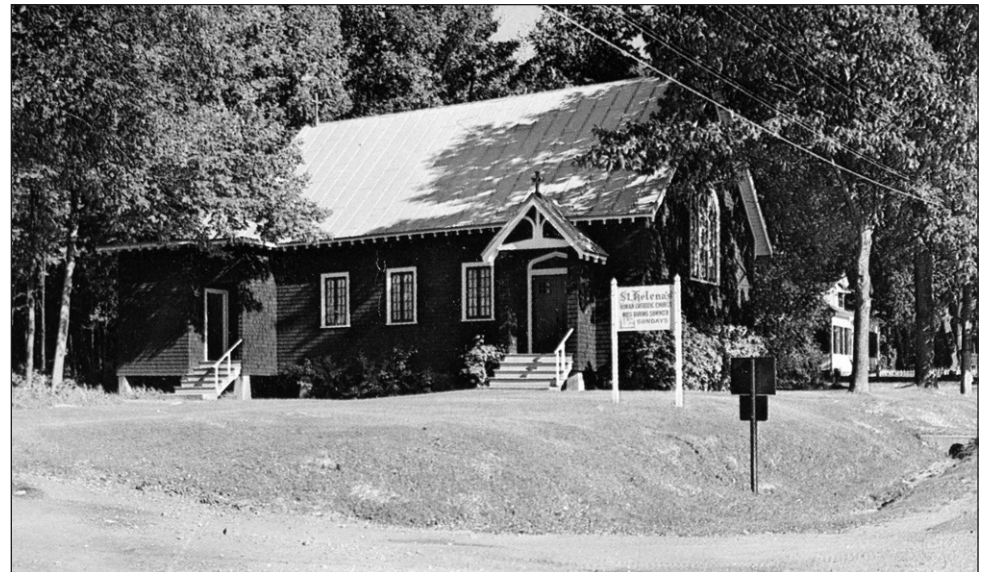
The short answer is that they pollute much less than they used to. New, tougher restrictions on outboard emissions have caused the industry to create much more environmentally friendly products. Old motors that have not been retired yet still pollute much more than their newer cousins. Lakes have an amazing ability to clean themselves but an out of date, old, polluting outboard can have very detrimental effects on an average sized Maine lake. The good news is that newer outboards meet more and more strict standards and as old motors are replaced, lakes will have less and less pollution from outboard motors.

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

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Circa 1920 St Helena's Catholic Church in Belgrade Lakes



More recent: St. Helena's Catholic Church as we know it

Chester died soon thereafter, Clayton and Betty Grant became the next dwellers to occupy the house. As an aside, Clayton and Betty later bought Woodland Camps from Donald Mosher, Chester's son in law. Clayton died in 1983 and Woodland was sold in 1988/89.

Immediately, we realize that Chester's driveway is really what separates his property and that of the Union Church. The Church, like the Catholic Church, is a seasonal building, meaning there is no significant heating system other than a woodstove that is seldom used, and a minimal or non-existent water system. My memories include: begrudgingly going to Sunday School there in the past summers, my grandfather's funeral in the early 1950's and probably a wedding or two. The church was later added onto and the adjoining property of Dawson Wyman on School Street was purchased for a parking lot. The Church seems well attended and supported today, and has been modernized to become a year-around Church.

Let's go at least one more home today. Just shuffle along everyone. Only 30 more feet and whoa. We have arrived at the home of Ken and Katherine

Bartlett. For several decades they owned and operated the local general store downtown, but 3 years ago sold it to a New Sharon couple named James and Mae Day, along with their 2 sons, Gary and Darryl. Ken has also acted as the local real estate agent and has been in a partnership with General Edmond Hill over the last decade or so, probably since the end of WWII. They seemed to have developed some land on Long Pond and sold some camp lots in several areas. Years after we stop by, they sell the home we are in front of to Darryl and Linda Day about 1970. The Day's live in this house for perhaps a decade. The Bartletts have built a campground where the Community Center is now, and have run that for several summers. They build a retirement house on top of Smith Hill where they live the rest of their years. The Smith Hill house is now the club house for the Belgrade Golf Course.

We are out of space for today in the good old Summer Time News, so hold tight, come back a week from now and we will try to pick it up where we left off. What's Next? Hint: the old P.O.





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Notebook

Natural Resources Council

• Now through Friday, August 3, NRCM is welcoming nominations for the 2018 People's Choice Award. Nominees are those who make a difference for the land, air, water, or wildlife in Maine. Finalists will be posted on the NRCM website starting August 13 through September 10. The winner will be presented with the award at NRCM's Conservation Leadership Awards event this fall. 287-2345

Maine Wildlife Park

• Saturday, July 28 ATV (All Terrain Vehicle) Maine is on the program from 11 am-2 pm. ATV Maine is a 501 (c)(3) membership organization with close to 6,000 members in 83 ATV clubs statewide. Their purpose is to promote education in the safe and responsible use of ATVs, be a unified voice on ATV legislative issues and share information with club affiliates and the general public. ATVs for children and adults will be on site. Try them out on a short course. Safety instructors will be on hand to show what fun ATV riding can be. Maine Wildlife Park is on Route 26, Gray. 657-4977

Belgrade

• Belgrade Regional Health Center will hold a School Supplies Drive in celebration of National Health Center Week (August 12-18) starting Wednesday, August 1 and ending Friday, August 31. Donations will be accepted at the Health Center during business hours.

All donations will be collected to support Belgrade Central Elementary School. Donated items must be new and unused or unopened, please.

Examples of needed toiletry items include:

- No. 2 Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Pink Rectangular Erasers
- Glue Sticks
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- Marker Sets
- Boxed Crayons
- Scissors (blunt-ended)
- Composition Notebooks
- Construction Paper
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- Tissues

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• On Sunday, August 5, 9 am-3 pm, the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons will welcome artisans from around the state to the Belgrade Lakeside Artisan Show. The show will include an exceptional selection of handcrafted items such as pottery, fiber, collectibles, jewelry, wood working and more, in every price range. Artisans will be

Hallowell

• The Harlow invites artists to submit artwork to be considered for "Tactile," an open call juried exhibition of art incorporating processes traditionally used in the field of textiles. Tactile is on view September 7-29. The deadline for email submissions is August 1, 2018 by 11:59 pm. 622-3813

Monmouth

• A week-long celebration, making old things new and new things classic will take place August 21-24 at the Theater At Monmouth. Every night at 7:30 pm TAM will present staged readings of adaptations of classic literature, new plays in development and more. 933-9999

Oakland

• On Wednesday, August 8, 5-7 pm, the Oakland-Sidney Methodist Church, West School Street, will hold their annual August Turkey Supper. The menu includes roast turkey with all the trimmings and home made pies. Adults \$10; children 6-12 \$5.

Smithfield

• Pilates Mat Classes! Starting Wednesday, August 1, 9:30-10:30 am, Pilates Mat Classes will be held at the Smithfield Town Office Complex for 6 weeks. The 6-class series is \$30; Drop-Ins are \$10 per class. Bring a Pilates Mat – a special mat, much thicker than a yoga mat (typically for sale at TJ Maxx and WalMart). All are welcome. Classes geared toward ages 55+ and those healing from injury. 362-4772

Waterville

• Waterville Creates!, one of Maine's leading arts and cultural organizations and a key driver in making the city a vibrant arts and cultural destination in central Maine, has been selected to sponsor EmcArts' Arts in Complex Community Change program. The series provides unique capacity-building support for arts organizations and their partners across the social sector working on complex community challenges. The workshops will begin in October with teams from up to 15 community organizations. 509-3365

• Don't forget the 92 Day Backpack Challenge at the Alford Youth Center. Raffle Tickets are \$5 each which feeds a family of 4 for the weekend. All funds collected by 9/8/18 will be matched by the Harold Alford Foundation. Tickets are available at the Alford Youth Center. 872-7092

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• The Cary Library's Annual Silent Auction starts Thursday, August 2 with an informal Opening Reception, 5-7 pm at the Williams House, 14 Old Winthrop Road. Items will include handcrafts, furni-

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Winthrop

• The Winthrop Center Friends Church will host a free workshop: Creating An Ethical Will on Wednesday, August 15 at 6:30 pm at the Friends Meetinghouse, 219 Winthrop Center Road. Tim

Wernette, an educator trained in the process, will facilitate the 2-hour workshop. Ethical wills are an opportunity to leave a non-financial legacy for family and friends/loved ones. Topics may include wishes and blessings, appreciations and gratitude, regrets/mistakes/amends, personal history, life lessons, stories, etc. Participants will be given hand-outs which list topics that may be included in an ethical will, learn to write sections, and be inspired to complete the will. Free of charge, donations accepted. Everyone welcome. 377-2354

Farewell to MIFF 21

by Gregor Smith

The twenty-first annual Maine International Film Festival has ended. The projectors have been shut off; the screens have gone dark; and the theaters are empty, save perhaps for a few discarded bubble gum wrappers and half-filled bags of popcorn. Ah, but the memories linger. Looking back at this year's MIFF, here are a few of the highlights:

• Watching the luminous Dominique Sanda in the 1971 classic, *The Garden of the Finzi-Continis*, and then seeing her in person as she accepted MIFF's 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award

• Viewing the festival's oldest movie, 1927 silent romance *7th Heaven*, with a brand new, jazz score performed live — its world premiere — with its composer, midcoast Maine trumpeter Mark Tipton and his quartet, Les Sorciers Perdus ("The Lost Wizards")

• Seeing two films from late director Hal Ashby that are perhaps even more timely than when they were shot in the 1970s: *Bound for Glory*, about the early, "hard travelin'" days of Woody Guthrie in the Dust Bowl and the Great Depression; and *Being There*, about an illiterate gardener named Chance whose knowledge of the world comes solely from watching television, whose pronouncements about gardening are mistaken for wise metaphor, and who, by chance, becomes an adviser and confidant to a wealthy businessman and political power broker

• As part of the MIFFONEDGE exhibit at Common Street Arts, strolling through an animated, 3D forest and interacting with its inhabitants, a trip that before the invention of virtual reality headsets would only have been possible with the use of psychedelic drugs.

• Enjoying the innovative work of the three Latin American filmmakers who comprised this year's World Filmmakers' Forum, including the film *Good Manners*, the title which gives no clue as to its content as the weirdest, and probably the only, Brazilian, lesbian, werewolf, horror musical ever to be shown at MIFF.

Looking ahead, Colby College and Waterville Creates! are hoping to renovate The Center, i.e. the building at the corner of Main Street and Castonguay Square in downtown Waterville, into a new arts center, which will include a new home for MIFF. Long the home of the Stern's Department Store, the building has, for the past quarter century, housed various businesses, non-profit institutions, and governmental offices, including, most notably, the Common Street Arts gallery, classroom, and clay studio; the Waterville Opera House's dance studio and studio theater; Waterville's city council chambers; and, until a few months ago, the Maine Made Shop.

In its new incarnation, the building will contin-

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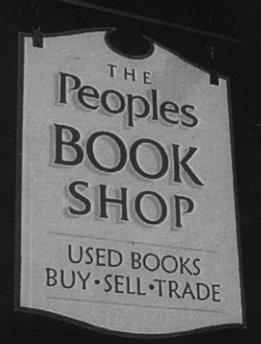
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Jason and Amanda at French Mountain.

fog behind the boat just as we entered our area. Suddenly, my phone rang. It was one of my other counters who was having engine trouble on his boat, wanting to know if we could count his sector as well. His sector was adjacent to ours and visibility was beginning to improve so we sped up a bit and continued our search. I also realized why modern soldiers loosely translate the "Fog of War" as "S**t happens." We managed to get through both sectors by about 7:35 ending with a pair of loons feeding their two

chicks in a secluded cove on the western shore of Long Pond, always an awesome sight that fills me with joy.

There were lots of kids and grandkids on the lake this week, although none of them mine. I did get to see my grandson play his saxophone in a jazz concert in Farmington, where he attended a jazz camp last week. I saw lots of other young faces around, though. Several of my friends had their grandkids visiting. Both Dick

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Andre The Famous Harbor Seal

by Martha F. Barkley

"My daughter Toni had come down to the waterfront with me one afternoon, wearing a new coat decorated with brass buttons. She reached down to pat Andre's head. Feeling playful, or perhaps puckish, he arched up, nipped one of the buttons from her coat, and dropped it into twenty feet of water...Toni was distressed, of course. I was quite angry and gave him a real dressing-down. Then I forgot about it...The next day I went down to the waterfront. Andre was waiting. He dropped the button at my feet.

In June this Summer, our local paper reported that the Rockport statue of Andre needed repair. A crack appeared in the head. Twelve thousand dollars was being raised and repairs began immediately. Gray granite stone forms the lifelike body of Andre who migrated from the island of his birth to Rockport to live with his friend Harry Goodridge from 1961 until 1986.

I am reading both books about Andre. It is a pleasure rereading the picture book that was so well loved and worn out that it had to be discarded from our local public library. Fran Hodgkins wrote the children's classic illustrated by Yetti Frenkel in 2003. *A Seal Called Andre* by Harry Goodridge and Lew Dietz, 2014, was still on the juvenile shelf for me, thanks to Jarod, library assistant, who found it!

Both books have special pages showing Andre with the Goodridge family cat in their Rockport

kitchen. All you pet lovers, whether it is cats or dogs, will find Andre friendly to every creature great and small, even chickens. Lobster traps at the harbor have Andre napping on them on the dock.

It has been a heart-warming experience to compare the photos of Andre's many antics in one book with the beautiful illustrations in the award winning children's picture book. The friendship between Andre and Harry Goodridge, WWII veteran, is portrayed lovingly.

"Andre was a captured wild animal who had the choice of remaining wild or living in captivity. For twenty-five years he chose both. The simple explanation for this could be that Andre had 'imprinted' on Harry or was just taking advantage of free room and board. The deeper explanation involves qualities of intelligence and sensitivity in both seal and man that have not been measured and may never be."

Some of you may have seen Andre's Rockport harbor performances during the summer tourist season. His popularity has been compared to coastal artist Andrew Wyeth...Andre and Andy Wyeth, what Maine tourist attractions. Of course, we have our local lake loons calling everyday and the occasional moose in the woods. Many many good books on loons and moose. Go find them...Jarod or Brian or Janet, director, will help you at our Belgrade public library.

Marblehead, the Mystic and Boston Aquariums all played a part in Andre's winter locales. Each spring, he was left out to sea and some days he swam one hundred miles towards his summer home. Can you imagine that? The great migratory swims of Andre were studied by many up and down the coast. Occasionally, he was given a car ride and eventually a flight as he aged, in order to winter comfortably south of Rockport.

Such a story of wild animal and man sensitive to nature. Their friendship made headlines every summer and the Goodridge family welcomed their special visitor as a member of the family inside their home. Four years after Andre died and was buried by Harry in a pet cemetery, Harry died.

His children spread Harry's ashes out at Robinson's Rock where Andre was born. Two lobster boats took the sixteen family members out on a cloudless July day. "In the silence that followed the cutting of the engines, we were surrounded by dozens of curious seals, who watched as we scattered Harry's ashes, along with lilies and forget-me-nots, over the glistening water. The seal and his man had come full circle-- the ending back at the beginning."

Written by Harry's daughters: Susan, Carol, Paula and Toni (who had Andre at her wedding in person!) Photo on page 190, if you want to see it...



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August Events at Winslow Public Library

Musician Marc Black to Present A History of the 1950's and 60's through Popular Song on Friday August 3rd, 6:30 p.m. at Winslow Public Library

Marc Black, recent inductee into the NY Chapter of the Blues Hall of Fame, has created an engaging and humorous music program entitled A History of the 1950's and 60's through Popular Song. This event provides an opportunity for the audience to relive this colorful time in our history. Attendees will cheerfully sing along beginning to end! He will perform this show at Winslow Public Library on Friday, August 3rd at 6:30 p.m...

In the presentation, Marc uses a wide range of popular songs including surprising favorites like Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini, great rock tunes like Blue Suede Shoes and moving folk songs like Bob Dylan's Blowin' in the Wind. The show also features a performance of his own group's hit from 1967... Happy by the Blades of Grass.

Besides being fun, boston.com listed it as one of the top ten area events that'll "make you smarter!" The program is includes a slide show that'll slide you right back in time! This thought-provoking, multi-media show is bound to get everyone singing and feeling good about where we are...and where we've been.

Author Monica Wood to Speak at Winslow Public Library August 14th, 6:30 p.m.

Maine author Monica Wood will be at Winslow

Public Library on Tuesday, August 14th at 6:30 p.m. to present a talk on "The Role of Failure in the Creative Life." Wood's most recent novel, The One-in-a-Million Boy, earned international interest, with 22 foreign editions in over 30 countries. She is also the author of When We Were the Kennedys, a New England bestseller, Oprah magazine summer-reading pick, and winner of the May Sarton Memoir Award and the Maine Literary Award. Her novel Any Bitter Thing was an ABA bestseller and Book Sense Top Ten pick. Her other fiction includes Ernie's Ark, which has been excerpted on NPR's "Selected Shorts" and selected by several towns and cities as their "One Book, One Community" read; My Only Story, a finalist for the Kate Cho'pin Award; and Secret Language, her first novel. Her widely anthologized short stories have won a Pushcart Prize and been featured on public radio. She also writes books for writers and teachers. Her nonfiction has appeared in Oprah, New York Times, Martha Stewart Living, Parade, and many other publications. Her first play, Papermaker, enjoyed an extended debut run at Portland Stage in Portland, Maine, its bestselling play ever. Her second play, The Half-Light, will debu at Portland Stage in 2019.

A book sale and signing will follow the author's presentation.

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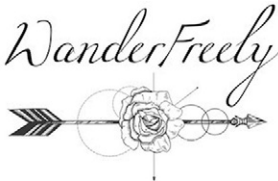
Greenan and Lynn Matson had grandkids staying with them so they launched a grandpa-grandkid canoe trip down the Kennebec River, which was interrupted by a thunderstorm. They came off the water and headed for ice cream, bathing cages, and disc golf. Lots of memories being made in the process. Lynn also spent some time on the lake with Alex teaching him to use Lynn's Standup Pedal Board (SPB) and later enjoyed the fruits of his labors.

I also got a little hiking in and some foraging for raspberries and mushrooms. At French Mountain I ran into Jason and Amanda, a young couple from Princeton, NJ. When I asked what brought them to our area, Amanda explained that her grandfather had built a log cabin on Watson pond before she was born and she had been coming here since she was a year old. That was two years before some foresighted individuals living on Watson Pond acquired the mountain and started the Watson Pond Conservation Trust (now 7-LA) in 1988.

Take advantage of the rest of the summer and get out on the lakes or hike or bike in the hills. And take a kid along. You will be creating memories that will last. Check out the events at the 7-LA web site and the sign in front of the MLRC. There will be a presentation by Lloyd Irland on New England Forestry that should be excellent (July 25th, 5:30 PM).



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