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A Ribbon Is Cut, the Magic Continues

by Esther J. Perne

Somewhere over the rainbow, there's a place where dreams come true, where the wind ripples across a beautiful lake, where trails are paved, a treehouse is handicapped accessible, almost everything recreational is possible no matter how challenging, and where the Governor of Maine shares a ribbon-cutting ceremony with four proud young people in wheelchairs. This is Pine Tree Camp on North Pond in Rome.

Now in its 66th season, Pine Tree Camp offers a typical Maine summer camp opportunity for Maine children and adults with physical and developmental disabilities, an opportunity where freedom is felt and friends are made. At Pine Tree Camp the 285 lakeside acres are magical in their natural beauty of cool pine woods and water-oriented vistas. The barrier-free trails and buildings and sports facilities provide campers an independence that defies the confines of disabilities. The staff excels in enthusiasm and encouragement. And peer friendships develop for a first time and last for a lifetime.

Here in this magical setting on Thursday, July 28, a double celebration took place: a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Harold and Bibby Alfond Dining Hall and the 75th Anniversary Celebration of Pine Tree Society, headquartered in Bath.

Beginning with a welcoming rendition of



Anne Marsh (Pine Tree Society), Greg Powell (Alfond Foundation), and Gov. Paul LePage

"Somewhere Over the Rainbow" by staff and campers and the formal cutting of the ribbon, the ceremony agenda included remarks by Pine Tree Society directors, the chairman of the Harold Alfond Foundation and the Honorable Paul

LePage, Governor, as well as a message from Senator Susan Collins.

Referring to the 5-year plan to modernize Pine Tree Camp while retaining its rusticity, Anne

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Marsh, Executive Director of the Pine Tree Society, called the dining hall the heart of the campus.

The Harold and Bibby Alfond Dining Hall with its air conditioning, access for heavy motorized wheelchairs, wraparound deck, and superb light (and very superb view of North Pond) will be the center for the camp's meals, social functions, entertainment and respite, thanks in part to a \$500,000 grant from the Harold Alfond Foundation.

Greg Powell, Chairman of the Foundation added some insight to the generous grant. The Alfonds, he stated, spent 60 years in Belgrade

Lakes (on Great Pond), a place they fell in love with on their first visit (at the Belgrade Hotel) and where they, like so many Belgraders, imagined their children and grandchildren and further generations continuing their dream.

In 1967, Mr. Alfond gave his first donation, \$5, to Pine Tree Camp and he never stopped giving. He gave because of the dedication and involvement of friends and co-workers of the Alfonds to Pine Tree Camp and he gave because of the camp's strong balance sheet.

Although Senator Susan Collins could not be present due to budget debates in Washington, her spokesperson, Michelle Michaud delivered the

Senator's regrets and presented to Pine Tree Camp an American flag that had flown over the United States Capitol.

Governor Paul LePage then recognized Pine Tree Society's 75 years of impacting Maine people with disabilities and their families. Joining a group of campers in wheelchairs, he led the ribbon-cutters, the dignitaries, and the almost two hundred guests around the deck and into the brand new, state-of-the-art Harold and Bibby Alfond Dining Hall.

The celebration continued...and so did the magic.



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Help Support Sue Boo



Sue Boo Home Team



Sue Boo Crew

Sue's words: If it can happen to me, it could happen to you. (I sure hope it doesn't.) But you know what I mean: I was active, engaged with my family, careers and volunteer work, and had never had a health problem more serious than a sinus infection. As for so many, it came out of the blue. ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis or Lou Gehrig's Disease) is a life-changer. You never get used to it, but I an determined to use my experience with this devastating disease to help raise awareness and money towards meaningful treatments and a cure. And to have some fun doing it!

Sue's request: Want to be part of something special? Join my team in the Walk to Defeat ALS® on September 10, to take a stand in the fight against Lou Gehrig's disease. Your participation in the Walk, whether as a walker or a donor, will make a difference in the lives of those affected by ALS - like me - and in our quest for a cure.

Sue's Crew: Help the Sue Boo Team achieve its ALS fundraising goal by: 1. Make a donation to a team member (like me!); 2. Join the team and come walk; 3. Join the team as a "virtual walker." Go to <http://tinyurl.com/3lywq7b> to help Sue.

Sue Who? Sue Boo is Sue Gawler, resident of Belgrade (Buttermilk Hill) and Great Pond, botanist, former Nature Conservancy specialist, avid gardener, a founder of the Belgrade Lakes Farmers' Market and the market's newsletter, choir member/director at the Union Church, devoted Mom to Jackson and Ira, devoted wife and professional complement to husband Roy Bouchard, instrumental in the Docks to Doorways initiative, and great all-around person.

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NEMC Celebrates 75 Seasons



2011: two POPS Concerts, twelve weekend afternoon concerts at the historic Bowl-in-the-Pines, seven faculty and seven student evening recitals at Alumni Hall. The New England Music Camp on Lake Messalonskee in Sidney is celebrating 75 years of sensational summer music with....spectacular music as usual, free and open to the public. It's a tradition that dates back 75 summers!

Founded in 1937, the New England Music Camp has adhered since its founding to a balance between intensive musical training and recreational activity, especially on the lake, and also to fun and friendship, a formula of success enabled by astute financial management on the part of founder Paul Wiggin and accentuated by the high quality of the music program under an internationally recognized faculty.

Based on a sprawling 200-acre lakeside campus, NEMC offers the usual summer camp opportunities of waterfront programs, ball courts and sports, and

physical fitness regimes. It offers the unusual speciality opportunity for young music students from all over the world to chart a learning course, practice, rehearse and perform, a seeming miracle that camper/musicians as young as eleven up through age eighteen arrive at camp for a 4-week or 8-week schedule, are quickly comprised into orchestras, bands and choruses, practice five hours a day for five days under a staff of highly qualified professional musicians/teachers and then perform on stage before a public audience.

Of all the youth camps historic or current in the Belgrades (there have been dozens of them), NEMC is unique in opening its grounds and sharing its goals with anyone who wishes to spend a pleasant summer afternoon or evening listening to some of the country's and the world's most promising young musicians.

Weekly evening concerts are held in Alumni Hall which seats over 500 people and provides the setting for solo and ensemble works by campers or faculty, while weekend afternoon concerts are held at the Bowl in the Pines, reputed to be one of the largest, open-air concert stages in the United States. The acoustical brilliance of the concert stage remains a marvel of survival today. Designed "to carry sound two and a half miles," it was built in 1931 for NEMC's predecessor facility, Eastern Music Camp, by Green and Wilson of Waterville for \$28,000. The interior of the Bowl houses

rehearsal rooms, ensemble practice areas and studios. The stage faces the appreciative audiences that gather on benches and blankets under immense lofty pines for free concerts throughout the summer.

The grand 75th celebration of New England Music Camp is scheduled for the weekend of August 5-7 and will be attended by alumni from all over the world. Many will perform once again at the Bowl in the Pines in a spectacular presentation of Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture under the baton of Maestro Leon Gregorian. Others will stroll the campus, reminisce over historic displays in the Wiggin Visitor's Center, and gather for the "State-of-the-Camp" discussion with camp administration and trustees. All will have the opportunity to re-experience the vision that has been retained for 75 years and to foresee a future that adheres to that vision of music, recreation, fun and friendship that forms many of the world's professional musicians.

For more information visit www.nemusic-camp.com or call 465-3025. Better yet, go to 8 Goldenrod Lane, off Route 23, in Sidney and enjoy a pleasant afternoon under immense shady pines beside Lake Messalonskee listening to a concert at the famous Bowl in the Pines. There are still two weekends left in the 2011 season. Also, there's a POPS Concert on Saturday, August 6, at the Messalonskee Performing Arts Center in Oakland.



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Watershed Wisdom

Earlier this year we talked about nutrient enrichment of the lakes (“eutrophication”) and the importance of limiting phosphorous inputs. As we discussed, phosphorous (P) loading to lakes is complex and includes many sources. Some P is continually entering via atmospheric deposition (typically ~15%, can be more in dusty areas). Anyone who has left their car sitting in the driveway for a few weeks without moving it knows how much dust can accumulate. Some of that dust contains phosphorous (P), with the percentage increasing if there is a lot of pollen or dust blowing off freshly fertilized agricultural fields. Some P enters the lake dissolved in the water of tributary streams and rivers. Some comes in via groundwater, especially in areas with faulty septic systems or in agricultural areas. Some comes in as plant debris or

blowing leaves or grass clippings illegally dumped in the lake in a form that is referred to as “organic phosphorous.” Organic phosphorous (OP) is phosphorous that is bound up into organic matter already and not bioavailable to algae unless the organic matter decomposes or is eaten and digested by another organism first. This can be done by the Canada geese in the Belgrade stream who spend the day eating grass and other plants containing OP and then deposit roughly a kilogram a day of highly enriched goose manure either directly into the lake or on the shore where it washes in when it rains. This process converts most of the OP to soluble reactive phosphorous (SRP). SRP is dissolved within the water column, primarily in the form of orthophosphate ions, which are “bioavailable” in the sense they can be readily picked up living organisms and turned

into organic matter. Most of the rest of the phosphorous in aquatic systems is typically in particulate form, bound to suspended solids, primarily iron and clay minerals.

Phosphorus-laden sediment generally comprises the significant majority of phosphorus loading to lakes, with the amount of phosphorous washing into the lake being highly dependent on the land use of the surrounding watershed. Phosphorous loading is very low from forests but very high from agricultural areas or highly developed watersheds with a lot of impervious surfaces such as buildings or roads. Studies of phosphorous loading to Maine lakes have generally concluded that a substantial (~30%) amount of the phosphorous washing into the lake is coming from roads and driveways, especially dirt roads in the near shore area. Many of the roads in the vicinity of our lakes are in poor condition. In many cases they were built more than 50 years ago and were basically paths cut through the trees to get a vehicle down to the seasonal camp on the lake a couple of times a summer. Often these roads were cut straight down the hill, sloping directly to the lake. Today, many of these same roads, with minimal upgrades, are now serving multiple camps and year-round houses with tens of trips per day of people coming and going to work, school, shopping, etc. These roads may have unstable culverts, inadequate or eroding ditches, poor road surface material, inadequate sub-base drainage, and lack adequate maintenance, all of which contribute to erosion and increased phosphorous washing into the lake.

The BRCA has conducted nonpoint source pollution (NPS) surveys of all the Belgrade Lakes and all the surveys identified roads as a major source of phosphorous loading. These reports are posted on our web site at www.belgrade-lakes.org/water.html if you want to check your home lake. To help remediate some of the pollution sites identified, we have obtained a number of DEP funded grants to provide some help for road owners to upgrade their roads. In partnership with Kennebec County Soil and Water Conservation District (KCSWCD) we are currently providing some cost share support to residents

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Peter Kallin, Executive Director of the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance (BRCA), can be contacted at 495-6039 or brca@gwi.net, or visited at the BRCA Office, The Boathouse, Belgrade Lakes.



~~Community welcome!~~
Remember - You don't need to be on the lake to be a member nor to participate!

North Pond Association's Annual Meeting and Dinner

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5:00pm Social ½ Hour -- delicious appetizers prepared by board members

5:30pm Dinner-- *Lobster or Chicken* - from drink to dessert

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6pm *Meeting -- Learn what the NPA board of directors has been working on all year to protect, preserve and educate all things lake, vote on new members and other business at hand. Bring your suggestions and concerns. See photo displays, pick up informational materials, free goodies and most of all come visit with your neighbors! There are always some laughs too! 25 lbs of Lobster Raffle winner will be picked! 50/50 Raffle, T-shirts, Bumper Stickers, Loon Stepping Stones...all available as well.

**You don't need to have dinner to attend the meeting.*

**Pre-registration required for dinner by Tuesday August 2nd. No tickets available the day of the meeting.*

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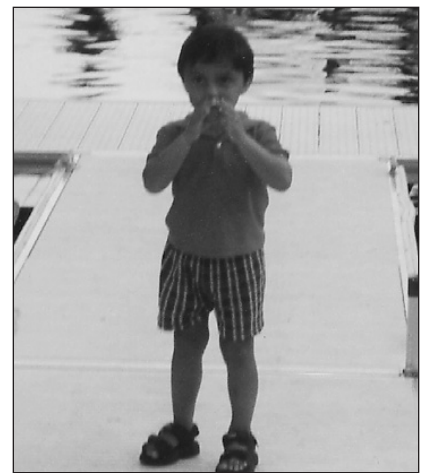
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30 Mile River Watershed Assoc. Paddle Trek

• Saturday, August 13 is the 3rd Annual Paddle Trek in the 30 Mile River Watershed. Canoeists and kayakers my join all or parts of this 15-mile paddle from Mt. Vernon Village to Wayne Village through many of the lakes and streams that form the "30 Mile River." The Trek begins at Minnehonk Lake's public beach in Mt. Vernon at 7 am, paddles the length of Minnehonk, and continues to Hokins Pond, Hopkins Stream, Taylor Pond, Echo Lake and its Mill Pond, Lovejoy Pond, Jennings Stream, Pickerel Pond and Pocasset Lake, ending in Wayne Village around 3 pm. Paddlers can join the group at four starting points. Return shuttles will be available at three locations. The Trek is free; donations are encouraged and appreciated. Pre-registration is required and space is limited so sign up early at www.30mileriver.org, email paddle@30mileriver.org or call Tom at 754-5197. The Paddle Trek is sponsored by the 30 Mile River Watershed Association.

• Volunteers are needed to help with courtesy boat inspections (CBI) and invasive plant surveys for the lakes in the 30 Mile River Watershed Association. No experience necessary; free training will be provided. CBIs are the first line of defense in keeping waterways free of invasive plants; early detection is the only hope of getting them under control. cbi@30mileriver.org or 670-7298

Maranacook Adult Ed Serv Safe

• Maranacook Community Schools food service department will be hosting a Serv Safe Food Certification One Day Course on Monday, August 29 from 8 am-5 pm at Maranacook High School in Readfield. The cost is \$136 per person, which includes materials. Register online using a debit or credit card at <http://maranacook.maineadulted.org>. 685-4923 x1009

BRCA Golf Challenges

• It's a triple win situation. Two \$25,000 Challenge Grants have been extended to the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance in conjunction with the August 10 Harold Alfond Memorial BRCA Pro Am Golf Tournament for The Lakes: the Alfond Challenge Grant and an anonymous donor grant contingent upon the Alfond Grant being matched. The BRCA is currently soliciting donations to help match the Alfond Challenge Grant. Corporate donations of \$1,000 or more and donations of any amount from individuals received between now and September 22 are eligible. Donations may be by check, online credit card or marketable securities. Funds raised from the Tournament benefit the Milfoil, Conservation Corps, and Watershed Programs and contribute to all the lake associations. To play in the Tournament or buy a \$25 ticket to the reception following the tournament call 495-6039. To make an online donation visit www.belgradelakes.org. To make a gift of securities contact 495-3740.

Kennebec Land Trust

• The deadline for registration to enter the KLT 2011 Photo Contest and Exhibit is 4 pm, August 12, by completing the form at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WBSGL87>. Entries may be submitted to the Kennebec Land Trust office at 134 Main Street, Room 2B, Winthrop by 4 pm on August 11, or bring photos to the annual meeting at the Androscoggin Yacht Club in Wayne on August 21 between 1:30 and 2 pm. Winners will be determined by popular vote at the meeting cookout and will be featured on KLT's website, newsletter, and Facebook page. For specific contest rules e-mail nwoolworth@tklt.org or call 377-2848.

Augusta

• The University of Maine at Augusta College of Arts and Sciences and UMA Senior college announce the 2011-2012 Sunday, 2 pm, concert schedule for the 9th season of "Concerts at Jewett:"

- September 18 - The Lenny Breau Project
- October 16 - Duo Piano Concert, Bridget Convey and Chiharu Naruse
- November 13 - Singer Gordon Bok, special guest Carol Rohl
- December 11 - Don Campbell & Friends, Holiday Special
- January 8 - Family Folk Festival, The Gawlers and the Boardmans
- February 12 - Classical Pianist George Lopez
- March 11 - Boogie 2 Shooz, Patti-Jean Cousens and

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- April 29 - Island Chamber Players
- May 20 - History of Jewish Music, Casco Bay Tumblers.
- June 24 - PORTopera's Young Artists.

Tickets are \$10, students \$5, children 12 and under free, available at Pat's Pizza, in Augusta, Apple Valley Books in Winthrop, Mike Davis Entertainment in Waterville and at the door. www.concertsatjewett.com, 621-3551

Belgrade

• Pies Please!! Belgrade Fire/Rescue needs homemade pies for the Bean Hole Bean Supper on Saturday, August 6. (Table clearers are also needed.) Pies can be delivered to or dropped off at either the fire station or the Center for All Seasons before 5 pm. If you can contribute a pie, or help at the supper, please let Fire Chief Dan MacKenzie know at djjmac@roadrunner.com

• The delightful musician Mr. Harley will be performing at the Belgrade Public Library on Thursday, August 11 at 10:30 am to help celebrate the annual Teddy Bear Picnic. Bring a favorite stuffed animal. The event is sponsored by Sue Greenan's yoga class. Book prizes, cookies, and lemonade will be available. Families are invited to picnic lakeside or in the playground after the show. The event is free and open to the public. www.belgrade.lib.me.us, 495-3508

• The August meeting of the Belgrade Historical Society will be held on Wednesday, August 24 at the Advent Christian Campground on Lake Messalonskee at 7 pm. Guest speaker will be Duane Crabtree, the Campground's historian, who has spent many summers at the Campground. The Campground is on Station Road off Route 11. 465-7924

Farmington

• Recycle plant pots. The Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District is looking for donations of plant pots. If you have any pots 1/2 gallon or larger in size, please drop them off at the 107 Park Street office. We are located in the side of the district court house building that faces the park in Farmington. 778-4279

• Don't forget the storytellers. On Friday, August 5 starting at 7:30 pm they'll be at the UMF Bowl, High Street (rain=Lincoln Auditorium); Saturday, August 6, 10 am-12 pm at the Farmington Public Library, 117 Academy Street; 1:45-4:15 Meetinghouse Park gazebo; 7-9 pm Lincoln Auditorium, Roberts Learning Center, High Street; 9:30-end Homestead Restaurant, Broadway. www.wmsfestival.org

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• 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

• Governor's Mansion, 1830 Blaine House, Tue-Thu 2-4 pm, 287-2121, www.blainehouse.org

• Maine State Museum, Tue-Fri 9 am-5 pm, Sat 10 am-4 pm, \$2 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, 287-2301, www.maine.state.museum.org

• Maine State Library, 287-5600, Mon-Sat opens 9 am.

• Children's Discovery Museum, CDM, hands-on displays, actives, Tue-Thu 10 am-4 pm, Fri-Sat 10 am-5 pm, Sun 11 am-4 pm, admission, 622-2209, www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org, 171 Capitol St,

• Kennebec Historical Society, Wed-Fri 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, www.kennebechistorical.org, 107 Winthrop St.

University of Maine at Augusta, University Drive

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

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

• Kennebec River Rail Trailhead, Maine State Housing Authority parking lot, www.krrt.org, Water St.

• Museum in the Streets, walking/history tour, www.augustamaine.gov, downtown.

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

• Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall, 549-5112, Wed and Sat 10 am-1 pm, Western Ave.

BELGRADE LAKES

• Great Pond Mailboat, 215-7520, Mon-Sat, 10 am, Post Office, Main St.

• Spring Gallery & Sculpture Garden, Modern Art Foundry, Thu-Sun 11 am-5 pm and by appointment, 495-3113, www.springgallerymaine.com, 81 Main St.

• The Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, swimming, gym, playground, picnic area, rec programs, library, 495-3481, www.belgrademaine.com 1 Center Dr.

• Union Church Coffee House, second Sat of month, 7:30 pm, \$5, 495-3599, Main St.

• Belgrade Historical Society, monthly meetings, 465-7924

• Farmers' Market, Sun 8 am-1 pm, Thu 2-6 pm, 465-7058, www.belgradelakesfarmersmarket.org, Main St.

• Peninsula Park on Long Pond, picnic tables, Main St.

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FAIRFIELD

• Fairfield Historical Society, 1890 Cotton-Smith House, Tue 9 am-12 noon, 1-4 pm, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalociety.net, 42 High St.

• Farmers' Market, 948-5724, Wed 2-6 pm, Sat 9:30 am-1:30 pm, Nazarene Church parking lot, 81 Main St.

FARMINGTON

• Farmington Historical Society, 778-2835, Wed and Sat, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, 118 Academy St.

• Nordica Homestead Museum, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tue-Sat 10 am-12 n and 1-5 pm, Sun 1-5 pm, 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Rd.

• Contra Dance, 491-9928, www.starleft.org 2nd Sat of the month, all welcome, 6:30-7:30 pm family dance, 8-11 pm regular dance, admission, Grange Hall, Bridge St, Rt 43, West Farmington

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

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

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

• Fairgrounds, events throughout summer, Franklin County Fair in Sept, High St.

GARDINER

• Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press, 1-5 pm Fri, 10 am-4 pm Sat, 582-2108, www.theartdogs.com, 275-277, Water St.

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

• Farmers' Market, 582-3100, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wed 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common

• Kennebec River Rail Trail, terminus near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta

• Waterfront Park, picnicking, events throughout summer, Kennebec River

GREENE

• Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, free monthly entertainment programs, 946-5311, www.sawyer-foundation.com, 371 Sawyer Rd, off Rt 202

HALLOWELL

• Harlow Gallery, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813, www.harlowgallery.org Wed, Thu, Sat, 12-6 pm, 160 Water St.

• Gaslight Theater, 626-3698, www.gaslighttheater.org City Hall, 1 Winthrop St.

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

• Farmers' Market, 622-1350, Sun 11 am-3 pm, north end of Water St.

• Vaughn Woods, 166 acre park/trails, Middle St.

• Kennebec River Rail Trail, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, downtown

• Waterfront Park, weekly summer concerts, North Water St.

HINCKLEY

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

KINGFIELD

• Reinhart Gallery Art Center, 266-4656, 245 Main St, www.ianreinhold.com/gallery.html

• Ski Museum of Maine, by appointment, 265-2023, 256 Main St, www.skimuseumofmaine.org

• Stadler Gallery, 265-5025, 12-4 pm daily or by appointment. 225 Main St, www.stadlergallery.com

• Stanley Museum, 265-2729, www.stanleymuseum.org, memorabilia/displays on Stanley Steamers, Tue-Sun 1-4 pm, 40 School St.

LIVERMORE

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

MADISON

• Lakewood Theater, Maine's Summer Theater, Young Performers Camp, 474-7176, www.lakewoodtheater.org, Rt 201

• Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, 474-9345, www.skowheganart.org, summer evening artists lecture series, East Madison Rd.

MONMOUTH

• Monmouth Museum, local and regional Maine history, Wed-Sun 1-4 pm, 933-2287, www.monmouthmuseuminc.org, 751 Main St.

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NEW PORTLAND

- **Nowetah's American Indian Museum and Craft Shop**, 628-4981, daily 10 am-5 pm, free, 628-4981, 2 Colegrove Rd, Rt 27, www.nowetahs.webs.com/
- **Wire Bridge**, 1864, probably only wire suspension bridge in U.S., off Rt 27

NEW SHARON

- **Farmers' Market**, Sat 9 am-1 pm, Douin's Market, 491-9025, 150 Mercer Rd, Rt 2

NORRIDGEWOCK

- **Norridgewock Historical Society Museum**, 1838 building, Sat 10 am-3 pm, 634-5032, www.norridgewock.com, Mercer Rd, Rt 2
- **Osoola Park**, picnic area, great playground, boat launch, on Kennebec River, Rt 8

OAKLAND

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

READFIELD

- **Readfield Historical Society and Museum** in 1823 schoolhouse, 685-4662, www.readfieldhistorical.com/, Thu and Sat 10 am-2 pm or by appointment, Rt 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, Rts 135/225
- **Trails: Mount Philip** on Rt 225; The Mountain on Rt 27; French's Mountain and Kennebec Highlands, Watson Pond Rd; 495-6039, www.belgradelakes.org, maps available at BRCA, Belgrade Lakes

SIDNEY

- **New England Music Camp**, concerts free and open to the public, famous Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, www.nemusiccamp.com, Rt 23
- **Sidney Historical Society**, 547-3142, <http://www.rootsweb>
- **Silver Spur Riding Club**, horse shows, www.silverspur-maine.com/, River Rd/Rt 104

SKOWHEGAN

- **Margaret Chase Smith Library**, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, www.mcslibrary.org, free, Mon-Fri 10 am-4 pm. 54 Norridgewock Ave.
- **History House Museum**, 1800s local history and culture, 474-6632, www.skowhegan.com/historyhouse, Tue-

Fri 1-5 pm, Elm St.

- **Fairgrounds**, weekly horse shows/competitions at covered arena, Skowhegan State Fair in Aug, 474-3621, Madison Ave.

- **Farmers' Market**, Wed 3-6 pm, Sat 9 am-1 pm, weekly entertainment, 938-3906, Skowhegan Savings Parking Lot, Old Grange Hall, Madison Ave.

SMITHFIELD

- **Fairview Grange** suppers, 362-2791, every Wed in summer, 5 pm, Village Rd, Rt 8
- **Sunbeam Roller Rink**, Wed, Fri, Sat 7-10 pm, 362-4951, 830 Village Rd, Rt 8
- **Sunset Camps**, public beach, 362-2611, www.sunset-camps.com, Village Rd, Rt 8

UNITY

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

WATERVILLE

- **Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT)**, 873-7000, www.acattheatre.org. Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main St.
- **Museum in the Streets**, downtown history/walking tour, www.the museum in the streets.com/waterville.htm
- **Two Cent Bridge**, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River, Head of Falls park/events area, Front St.
- **Colby College Museum of Art**, 859-5600, www.colby.edu/museum/ Tues-Sat 10 am-4:30 pm, Sun 12-4:30 pm, free, Colby College Campus, Mayflower Hill
- Thomas College Art Gallery, 180 West River Rd.
- **Waterville Historical Society Redington Museum**, 1814 home, pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tue-Sat tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver St.
- **Waterville Opera House**, 873-7000, www.operahouse.com, 93 Main St.
- **Farmers' Market**, Thu 2-6 pm, 680-2055, www.waterville-farmersmarket.org, The Concourse parking lot.

WAYNE

- **Farmers' Market**, 873-7000, <http://waynefarmersmarket.weekly.com>, Sat 9 am-noon, Town Green, next to Post Office, Main St.

WILTON

- **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, www.wiltonmaine.org, Sat 1-4 pm or by appointment, Canal St.

WINTHROP

- **Norcross Park**, playground, picnic site, boat launch on Maranacook Lake, downtown.
- **Farmers' Market**, 395-4244, www.camarkets.com, Tue and Sat 9 am-1 pm, parking lot, downtown,

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ASSOCIATIONS/GROUPS

THE BELGRADES...

- **East Pond Association**, Smithfield/Oakland, www.eastpond.org
- **North Pond Association**, 152 Madison Avenue, Skowhegan, ME 04976, 474-8988, www.northpond.net
- **McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association (MP/SL)**, 103 Taylor Woods Rd., Belgrade, 04917. 465-3983, www.salmonlake.org
- **Great/Long Ponds: Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA)**, PO Box 551, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 512-5150, www.belgradelakesassociation.com
- **Friends of Messalonskee Lake Watershed**, PO Box 532, Oakland, 04963, www.snowpond.org
- **Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance (BRCA) and BRCA Conservation Corps**, PO Box 250, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-6039, www.belgradelakes.org
- **Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLBG)**, PO Box 596, Belgrade Lakes, ME 04918. 495-3700, www.belgradelakesmaine.com
- **Maine Lakes Resource Center / Docks to Doorways**, PO Box 431, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, www.dockstodoorways.com

BEYOND...

- **Maine Congress of Lake Associations (COLA)**, PO Box 426, Belgrade, 04917. 1-877-254-2511, www.mainecola.org
- **Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed**, PO Box 5003, Augusta, 04332-5003, 621-4100, www.watershedfriends.com
- **Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District**, 107 Park Street, Farmington, 04938, 778-4279, www.franklineswcd.org
- **Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District**, Central Maine Commerce Center, 21 Enterprise Drive, Augusta, 04330, 622-7847, ext. 3, www.kcswwcd.org
- **Kennebec Land Trust (KLT)**, PO Box 261, 134 Main St., Winthrop, ME 04364, 377-2848, www.tkl.org
- **Kennebec Messalonskee Trails**, PO Box 2388, Waterville, 873-6443, www.KMTrails.org
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, PO Box 2195, Augusta, 623-8162, www.krrt.org
- **30 Mile River Watershed Association (30 MRWA)**, Kimball Pond in Vienna to the Androscoggin River, 293-2181, www.30mileriver.org
- **Parker Pond Association**, Mount Vernon/Vienna. www.parkerpond.org
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...**Friday 8/5 through Sunday 8/7** – Maine Fiber Arts Tour Weekend, over 45 fiber art studios and farms statewide will open their doors and offer special demonstrations, farm tours, hands-on workshops, children's crafts, and farm visits, weaving studios, alpaca farms, yarn spinners, and fabric shops, 10 am-5 pm, part of the ongoing Maine Fiberarts Tour Map listing 134 sites to visit all year long, www.maineiberarts.org, 721-0678, free maps and brochures available at Maine Fiberarts, 13 Main Street, Topsham.

...**Friday 8/5 through Sunday 8/7** - Fiber Arts Exhibit & Workshop: A Quilting Bee, bring your thimble and lend a hand (or watch) on any of these days, 11 am-4 pm, stop in anytime, 897-4366, Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, 290 Norlands Road, Livermore.

...**Friday 8/5 through Sunday 8/7** - Country Fest Maine, Friday 6-10 pm Open Jam & Dance, Saturday 11 am-10 pm Country, Bluegrass & Folk, Sunday 9-11:30 am Cowboy Church & Gospel Music, 11:30 am-6 pm Country, Bluegrass & Folk, 377-8035, Litchfield Fairgrounds, 30 Plains Road, Litchfield.

...**Friday 8/5 and Saturday 8/6** - 29th Annual Wilton Blueberry Festival, sales, food, crafts, book sale, free giveaways, children's games

and activities, expo, parade and much more, downtown Wilton.

...**Friday 8/5 and Saturday 8/6** - Western Maine Storytelling Festival, featuring Gaylon "Jeep" Wilcox, Michael Parent and Jackson Gilman and storytellers from the area, state and region, www.wmsfestival.org, various locations at the University of Maine and in beautiful downtown Farmington.

...**Friday 8/5 and Saturday 8/6** - Fairway Players presents "Rent," The Tony Award Winning Hit Musical comes to Maine, tickets \$10 in advance, \$15 at door, available at Axell's Scandinavian Inn, Manchester, 623-4583, 7 pm, Winthrop Performing Arts Center, 211 Rambler Road, Winthrop.

...**Friday 8/5** - Annual Lobster Bake, Skowhegan Rotary Club, single lobster, double lobster, hamburger or hot dog, tickets available from any Rotarian or at Skowhegan Area Chamber of Commerce or at event, 11 am-8 pm, 474-3621, located under the Tent behind the C of C office, downtown Skowhegan.

...**Friday 8/5** - 9th Annual Harvest Days Golf Tournament 2011, sponsored by Skowhegan Area Chamber of Commerce, men's, women's or mixed 18-hole scramble, many side games and prizes, players of all skills welcome, 12-12:45 pm registration, 1 pm shotgun start, 474-3621, Lakewood Golf Course, Madison.

...**Friday 8/5** – Commodore's Ball, Rome Yacht Club, 5-7 pm, Rome.

...**Friday 8/5** - Opening Reception for "Nature's Keep: Artists responding to Divine Design," an exhibition featuring the work of seven artists responding to the natural world, free and open to the public, exhibit to run August 5-27, reception 5-8 pm, 622-3813, The Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

...**Friday 8/5** - Farewell Concert, Atlantic Music Festival Orchestra IV, an evening of musical farewells, conductor Jonathan

Schiffman, 7 pm, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

...**Friday 8/5** - New England Music Camp Faculty Recital, open to the public, free, everyone welcome, 8 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, Rt 23, Sidney.

...**Friday 8/5** – "Much Ado About Nothing," William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Friday 8/5** - 2011 Barbara Lee Artist Lecture Series, Skowhegan Art School, presents David Lang, Paul Mellon Distinguished Fellow, 8:30 pm, 474-9345, free and open to the public, Old Doninion Fresco Barn, Skowhegan Campus, Skowhegan.

...**Saturday 8/6 and Sunday 8/7** - Mercer Old Home Days, kids' activities, vendors, crafters, yummy eats, "Lil' Miss Mercer Pageant," lobster bake, street dance, and much more, 10 am-11 pm Saturday, 11 am 'til after pageant Sunday, 587-2225, most events at the Mercer Community Center, 1015 Beech Hill Road, Mercer.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Norridgewock Family Fun-Fest and Fly-In, aviation events, family fun events, business expo, pancake breakfast (7 am Saturday and Sunday), free (limited) Young Eagles First Flights for boys and girls age 8-17, safety seminar, candy drop, spaghetti supper, admission and parking free, refreshments available, 8 am-7 pm, rain date Sunday, 8/7, 634-2917, Central Maine Regional Airport, Norridgewock.

...**Saturday 8/6** – Public Breakfast, pancakes with bacon and sausage patties, fresh fruit,

cereal, baked goods, juice, coffee, tea, 8-9:30 am, \$7.00 adults, \$3.00 children under 10, Union Church, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Garage and Food Sale sponsored by the Smithfield Maine Historical Society, 8 am-2 pm, 634-4392, Groves House, 21 Lakeview Drive, Smithfield.

...**Saturday 8/6** – Rome Yacht Club Race, 10 am, victory cookout 12 noon, North Bay, Great Pond, Rome.

...**Saturday 8/6** - "Maine Toys," Children's Workshop, 10 am, \$1, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Rt 201, Hinckley.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Chris Van Dusen, author, "King Hugo's Huge Ego," book signing 10 am-12 noon, 872-4543, Children's Book Cellar, Main Street, Waterville.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Open Studios in Somerset County, 10 am-6 pm, Wesserunett Arts Council, www.wesarts.org, Skowhegan.

...**Saturday 8/6** – "Blithe Spirit," by Noel Coward, 1 pm, call for details 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Saturday 8/6** - "King Arthur's Quest," production by local youth who attended Missoula Theater Camp, 3 pm, 873-7000, Strider Theater, Colby College, Waterville.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Bike Night, music, food, vendors, judging, dancing, ride starts at 1 pm, downtown events 4-11 pm, 474-3621, downtown Skowhegan.



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...**Saturday 8/6** - Bean Hole Bean Supper, to benefit Belgrade Fire and Rescue, 5 pm, Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Loon Calling Contest, all ages welcome, registration 6:45 pm, contest 7 pm, 495-3312, Rome side of Belgrade Lakes bridge, downtown Belgrade Lakes.

...**Saturday 8/6** - New England Music Camp's Annual POPS concert, 7:30 pm, preferred seating \$20 per person donation, tickets at NEMC 465-3025 and at door, Messalonskee Performing Arts Center, Oakland.

...**Saturday 8/6** - "Room Service," hilarious farce, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Saturday 8/6** - Fishtank Ensemble, mix of French hot jazz, wild Serbian and Transylvanian gypsy anthems, Flamenco, originals, 8 pm, \$15, 948-7469, Unity Centre For the Performing Arts, 42 Depot Street, Unity.

...**Sunday 8/7** - Horseshoe Island Canoe/Kayak Trip, join Nathalie Woolworth, expert kayaker, and trail builders Erik and Jon Lund for a tour of

Kennebec Land Trust islands on Cobbossee Lake, hike the new Horseshoe Island trail, 8-10:30 am, pre-registration required 377-2848, www.tkltr.org, meet at the outlet dam, Collins Road, Cobbossee Stream.

...**Sunday 8/7 through Sunday 8/14** - Topsham Fair, agricultural exhibits, animal pull events, 4-H, crafts, midway, harness racing, www.topshamfair.net, Topsham.

...**Sunday 8/7** - Main Street Skowhegan Cruise-In and Summer Fest, classic cars on display, canopy tents on the sidewalk, sidewalk sales and music, 474-3621, downtown Skowhegan.

...**Sunday 8/7** - "James and the Giant Peach," children's play (for adults, too), 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Sunday 8/7** - Concert at Norcross Point, at Lake Maranacook, 2-4 pm, 620-6231, Bowdoin Street, Winthrop.

...**Sunday 8/7** - New England Music Camp Student Concert, "Bowl in the Pines," rain or shine, free, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 465-3025, Rt 23, Sidney.

...**Sunday 8/7** - Old Liberty String Band,

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...**Sunday 8/7** - "Room Service," hilarious comedy, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Monday 8/8** - "Old Crow Band," 7 pm, bandstand, Meetinghouse Square, Main Street, Farmington.

...**Tuesday 8/9** - Seminole Wind, free public concert, 11:30 am-1 pm, 778-3424, bandstand, Meetinghouse Square, Main Street, Farmington.

...**Tuesday 8/9** - "James and the Giant Peach," children's play, 2 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Tuesday 8/9** - Mystery author Archer Mayor book signing, 2-4 pm, 872-4543, Children's Book Cellar, 52 Main Street, Waterville.

...**Tuesday 8/9** - Rock On The River, 7-8:30 pm, Boardwalk on the Kennebec River, north end, Water Street, Hallowell.

...**Tuesday 8/9** - "Much Ado About Nothing," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - Harold Alfond Memorial Golf Tournament, 11 am, reception 5 pm, 495-6039, Belgrade Lakes Golf Course, Belgrade Lakes.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - Dave Peloquin, Lively Lunches at Johnson Hall Mini-Park, guitar and vocals, noon-1 pm, free, bring lunch from a local restaurant, snacks and drinks for sale at event, rain place inside Johnson Hall, 582-7144, Johnson Hall, Water Street, Gardiner.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - Art Program for Children and Adults Drawing from Collections, capture wild animals with watercolors on paper, 1 pm, \$2 per person, all supplies provided, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - "Much Ado About Nothing," by William Shakespeare, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - Night at the Museum - Pond Night Adventures, 6:30-7:30 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...**Wednesday 8/10** - New England Music

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...Wednesday 8/10 through Saturday 8/13 - "Once Upon a Mattress," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...Wednesday 8/10 – "King Lear," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...Thursday 8/11 through Saturday 8/20 - Skowhegan State Fair, large agricultural fair, huge midway, ten days of competitions, food, flower show, harness racing, exhibits, demonstrations, live-stock shows, nightly entertainment, and much more, www.skowheganstatefair.com, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Skowhegan.

...Thursday 8/11 - Friends & Neighbors Luncheon, salads and sandwiches, 11:30 am- 1 pm, free, donations accepted, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

...Thursday 8/11 - Summer History Program, be a child in 1910, try on clothes, do chores, wash clothes in a tub, experience old time school and play with old fashioned toys, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...Thursday 8/11 – Annual Children's Day Program, featuring "Mr. Magic" with Dennis Labbe, children should be accompanied by an adult, 2 pm, free, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

...Thursday 8/11 - "James and the Giant Peach," children's play, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...Thursday 8/11 - Multimedia presentation about the volunteer work of the Mahatma Gandhi Foundation in Las Terrenas, Dominican Republic, 685-4657, 6-7 pm reception at the Wayne Community Church, 7-8 pm presentation at Cary Memorial Library, Wayne.

...Thursday 8/11 - August ArtTalk, Ed McCartan "Fishing for Subject Matter," How to "jump start" the creative juices to get going on a painting; Ed is one of seven artists participating in "Nature's Keep: Artists responding to Divine Design" on display at the Harlow August 5-27; ArtTalk is open to the public, \$3 donation optional, 7-8:30 pm, 622-3813, The Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

...Thursday 8/11 - Billy Libby, singer-songwriter, Lithgow Summer Concert Series, 6:30 pm, free, 626-2415, in front of Lithgow Library, 45 Winthrop Street, Augusta.

...Thursday 8/11 - De Temps Antan, memorable songs of yesteryear, time-honored melodies from the stomping grounds of Quebec's musical past, traditional Quebec music, 7:30 pm, \$15, 948-7469, Unity Centre For the Performing Arts, 42 Depot Street, Unity.

...Thursday 8/11 – "Blithe Spirit," by Noel Coward, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

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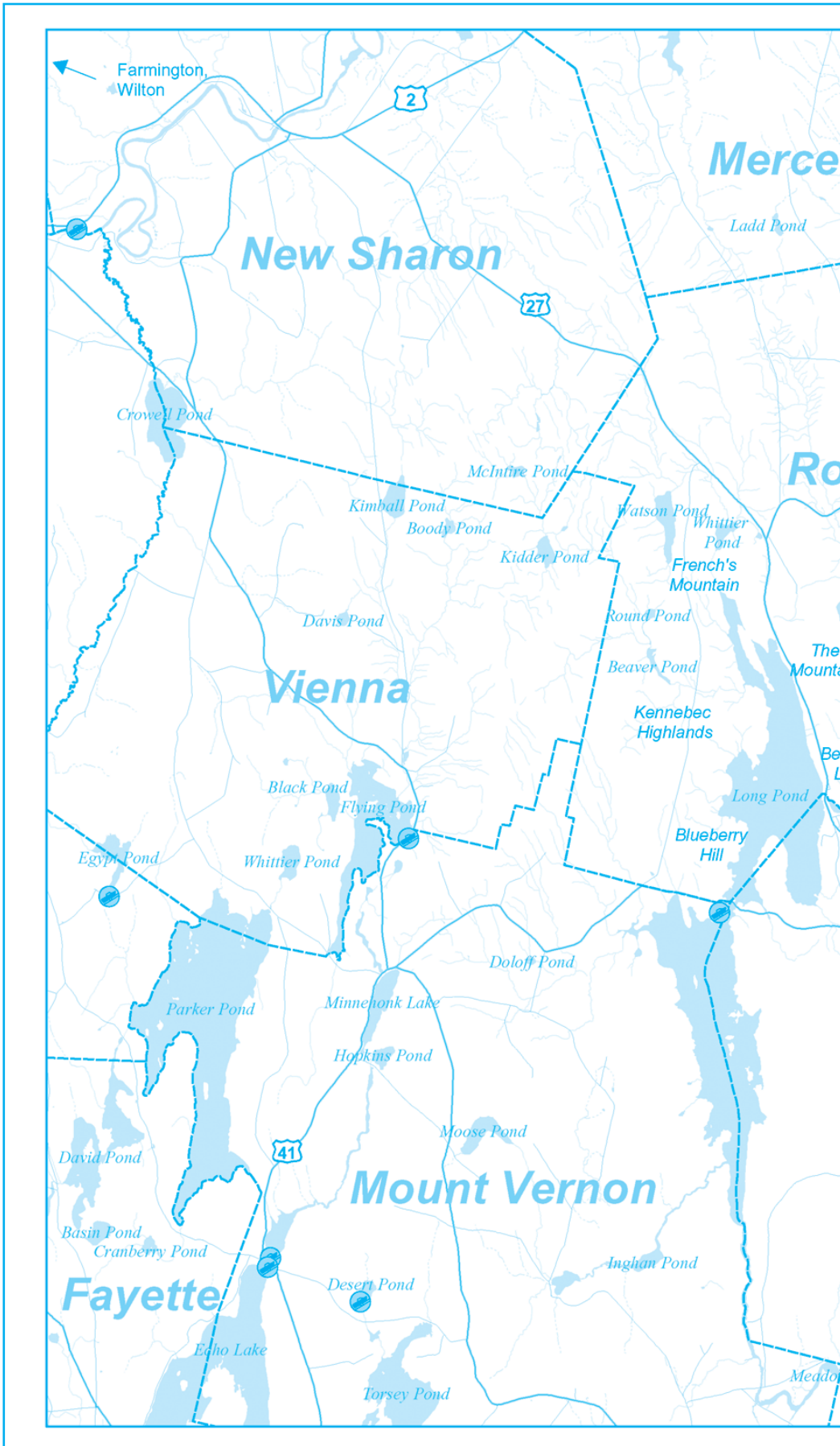


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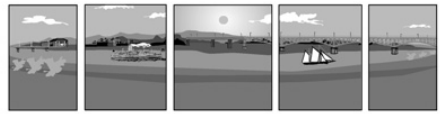
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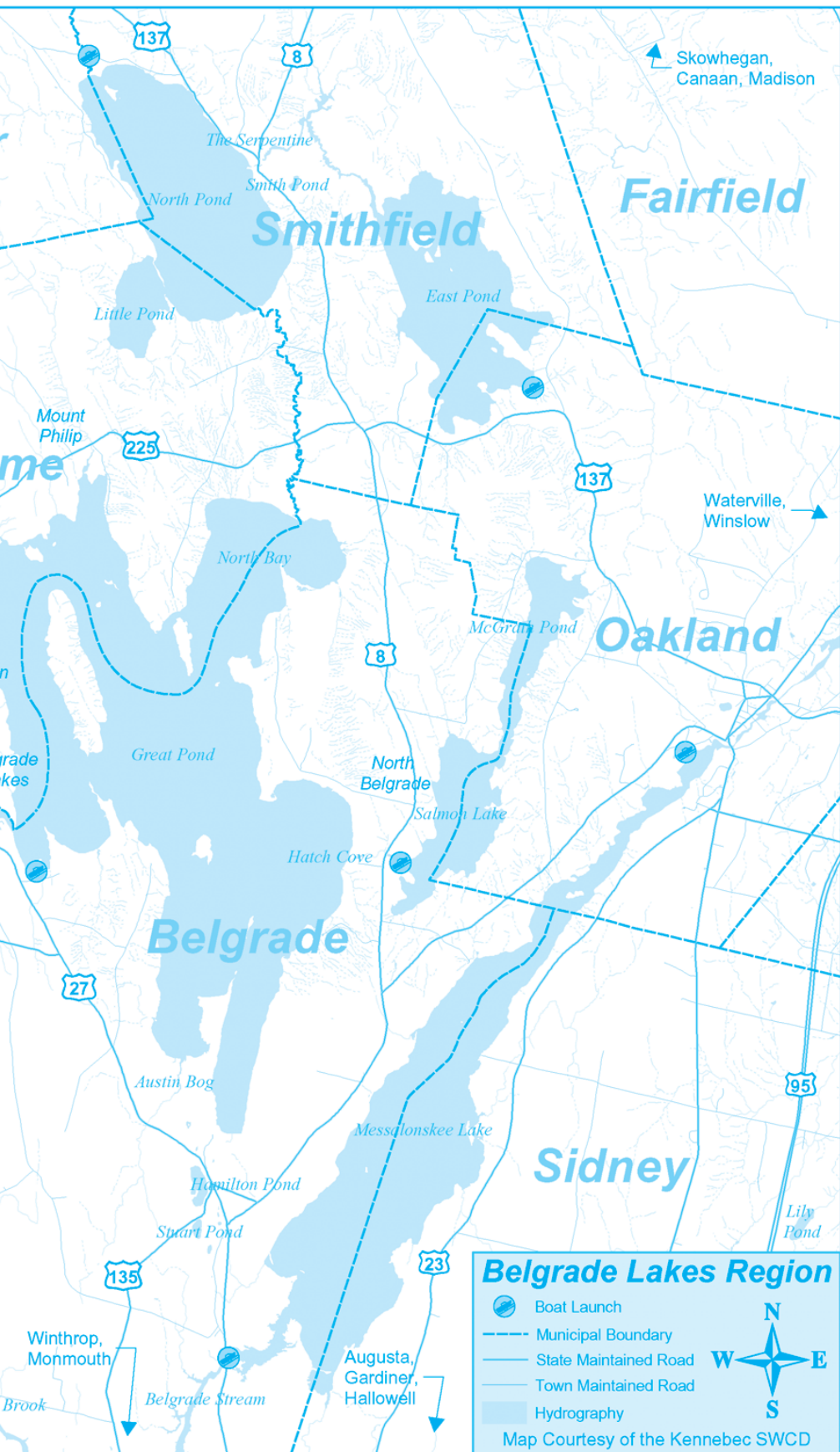


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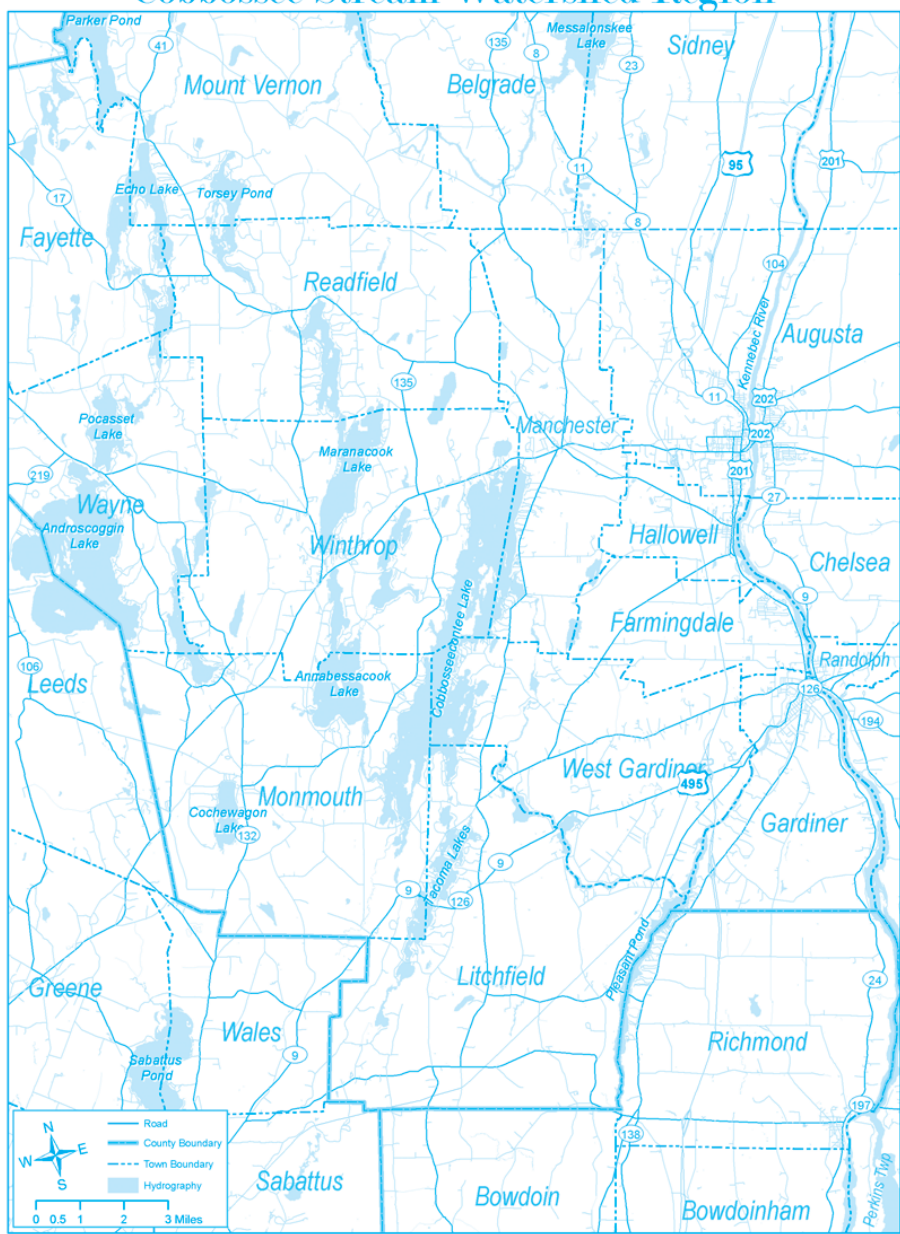


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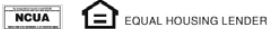
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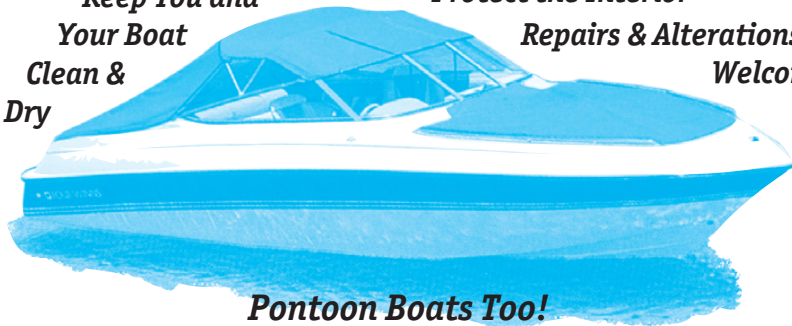
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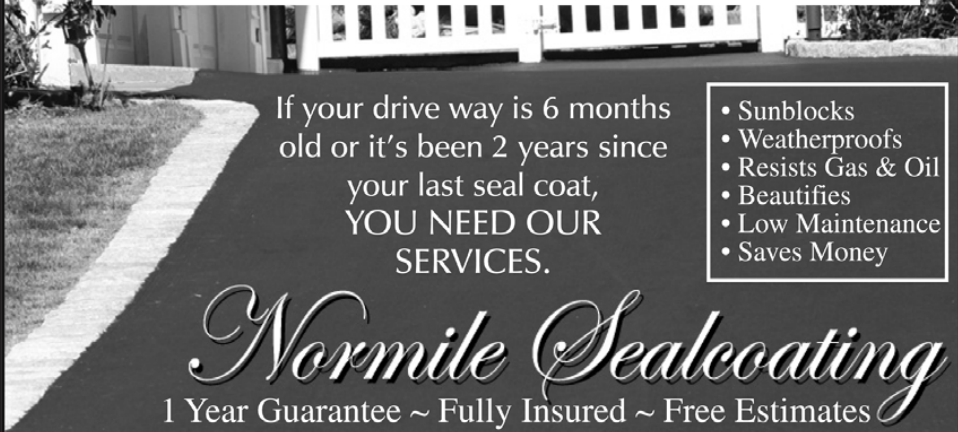
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- On Saturday, August 13 at 7:30 pm folksinger Bill Berlinghoff will be the feature performer at the Union Coffeehouse in Belgrade Lakes. Donation \$5 at the door includes refreshments.
- The Oakland Area Historical Society will hold its second Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:30 pm in the parking lot of the TD Bank on Main Street. Bring a chair and enjoy the music of the R.B.Hall Band and buy ice cream to benefit the Macartney House Museum. 465-7549
- On Wednesday, August 17, a Bat Lecture by Dave Yates from the Biodiversity research Institute will cover general bat information, New England-specific information, and White Nose Syndrome, 7 pm, call 495-6039 for location, sponsored by Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.
- The 2nd Annual Barrels Community Dinner by the River will be held on Saturday, August 20, 4:30-7:30 pm at the Head of Falls, downtown

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- On Friday, August 26 Erica Brown and The Bluegrass Connection will perform at the Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial in Greene. Free admission, 2 and 7 pm. 946-5311
- On August 27, 10 am-noon, Cynthia Lord will introduce her new picture book. "Happy

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Mercer Old Home Days August 6 & 7

From activities for children to a Turkey Pie Dinner, Mercer Old Home Days is a lot of celebration. The weekend schedule runs on Saturday from 9 am to 11 pm and on Sunday from 11 am until the talent program is over. Saturday's schedule includes:

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–Conservation Too–

A couple of weeks ago I failed to get our column done for that week's issue of the newspaper. That week was a hot one and I'd been taking advantage of Maine's fine environment by using afternoons for kayaking. That Friday, when I'd failed to submit the week's article, Mark called to check on my writing. I received the call while sitting in my kayak in the Sheepscot River just upstream from the Wiscasset Bridge on Rt. 1. With the sun, open water and ospreys overhead an excellent setting, I was also looking down the bay at the bumper to bumper traffic on the Wiscasset bridge.

It seemed to me that the afternoon's experience was a good example of a key issue we constantly try to address here in Maine. How do we balance our needs for development, job growth and income producing activities with our desire to enjoy and experience the great outdoors and unspoiled places where land and water meet?

My own experience was exactly what I'd been looking for - little boat traffic, lobster trap buoys spread around me, the occasional jumping fish or seagull. It was relatively undisturbed. The past hour had been spent paddling along the shoreline and beneath the old railroad bridge into the upper area of the bay where the

Sheepscot River spreads into the estuary. Other than the osprey or eagle that I disturbed, there had been little noise or activity. The juxtaposition of my own experience, one of the best parts about living in Maine, and the distant view of vehicles creeping along infamous Rt. 1 in Wiscasset, made me appreciate my experience all the more. Traffic was so bad that my slow leisurely paddle outpaced the SUV on the bridge with the two kayaks strapped to their roof. I doubt they enjoyed the comparison nearly as much as I did.

This seemed to encapsulate choices we are constantly trying to make. We regularly have discussions on how to address the various development pressures that seem to target Maine, Kennebec County and local areas. Often those discussions are heated. Perhaps they should be. Maine has been affected by the growing number of people who have not only found the "good life" here in Maine, but have decided to make a little part of it their own. Many pieces of this new development offer some great benefits to all of us. Development can provide many more choices for all of us. But those added choices often come at a cost. It is up to those of us who live here to consider the options, determine our priorities and make decisions that lead to the long term

goals we share.

Some examples of those decisions include items like building codes, shoreland zone setbacks, road construction standards, and various other land use regulations. Many of these codes are intended to help protect the land and water environments and particularly those transitional areas between dry land and the streams, rivers, lakes and wetlands we have decided to protect. We hear; "all things need to change, and it's not so bad". This may be true now, but, if we agree that change is coming, the question becomes what parts of our community, our lands and our waters do we want to protect in a manner that allows us to continue our enjoyment of them.

Many Maine communities are continuing to engage in this public discussion. There is no "one right answer". Most important is that people work through decisions based on accurate information and understand the consequences of those decisions. We need to realize that those decisions will determine the future for themselves, their neighbors and the coming generations who wish to enjoy Maine, "the way life should be".

Articles contributed by the Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District in Augusta who can be contacted at the District office on 21 Enterprise Street at 207-622-7847 x 3 or check our website at www.kcsdcd.org

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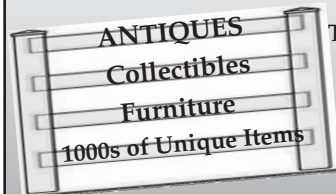
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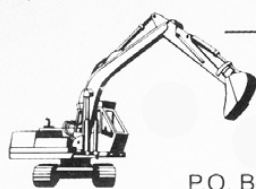
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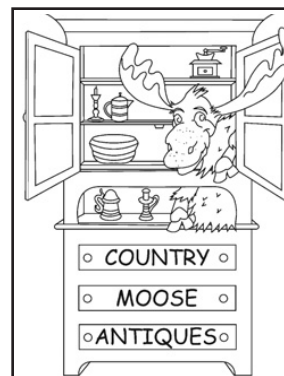
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Gardiner

• Old-timey tunes will be performed by Dave Peloquin at Johnson Hall Mini-Park on Wednesday, August 10, noon-1 pm, as part of Johnson Hall's Lively Lunches program. Dave, a well-known folk musician from Windsor, has been singing ballads, a cappella chanteys, and many other types of traditional folk music for over 25 years. He also is a published poet and playwright who has appeared on Good Morning America, played at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washing, D.C., and toured the country as an ECHO performer. His newest CD album release, "Sounds Like Old Times," celebrates the rich roots of American Country music of the 1930s-40s. The Lively Lunches performances in the mini-park are free. Johnson Hall will sell snacks and bottled water. For more information visit www.johnsonhall.org or call 582-7144.

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Trailside Performance, 797 Augusta Rd (Rt 201), Winslow, 873-2366, www.trailsideperformance.com

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Kennebec Boat Repair, 907 Oakland Road, Belgrade, 465-9012, www.KennebecBoatRepair.com
Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Rd, Rt 135, Belgrade, 495-2191, 441-5529
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Winterberry Farm, 538 Augusta Rd, Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-2593, www.winterberryfarmstand.com

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Expressions

Gypsy Jazz Fest

On Sunday, August 14th, the Riverside Farm Market in Oakland will be hosting a Gypsy Jazz Festival. The event features three New England based Gypsy Jazz bands along with a few guest artists. The music will begin at noon with local favorites Mes Amis, followed by Hot Club du Monde, and then the festival headliners Ameranouche. The location is a picturesque meadow overlooking the Messalonskee Stream on the property behind the Market.

Toby Tyler, co owner of Riverside Farm Market with his wife Pam, has been a fan of Gypsy Jazz music since high school and in fact is one of the members of the opening act. It is his love of this music that inspired him to organize this festival, and he is hoping it will become an annual event, providing an opportunity for Gypsy Jazz fans in the central Maine area to hear the music in a festive environment.

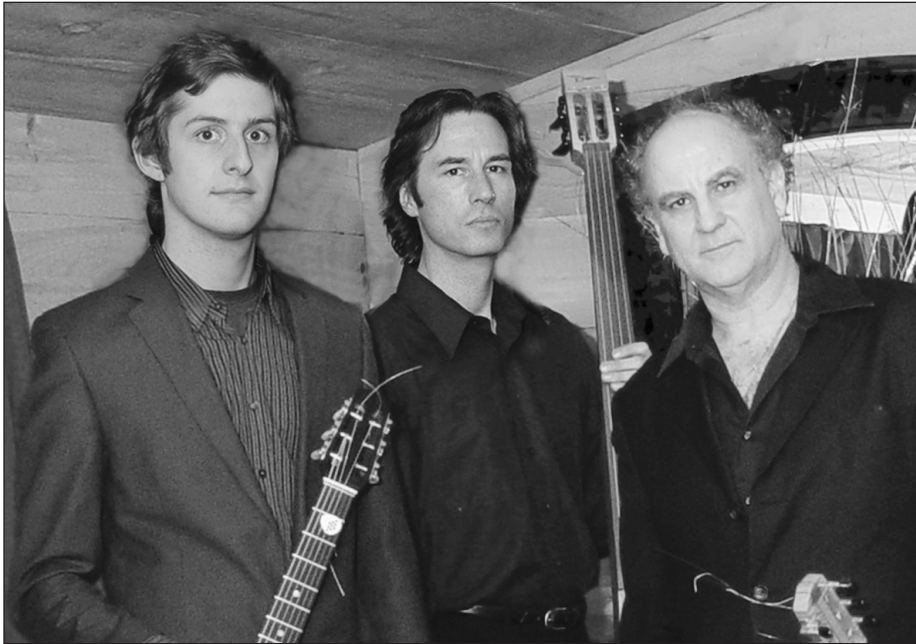
Gypsy Jazz is growing in popularity both in Europe and here in the U.S., but for readers who are not familiar with the music, the style is attributed to virtuoso Gypsy guitarist Django Reinhardt, who along with violinist Stephane Grapelli founded the all string jazz ensemble The Quintet du Hot Club de France in the 1930s in Paris. The blending of gypsy music with American jazz created a new sound. Django died in 1953, and until recently it has largely been fellow gypsies who have carried on his musical legacy.

Along with the use of acoustic instruments, one of the unique elements of Gypsy Jazz is the absence of the drummer. Utilizing a technique referred to as “la pompe,” the rhythm guitarist plays in a percussive way, driving the beat and giving the music its characteristic bounce.

The first band to perform at this year’s festival will be Mes Amis, featuring original compositions by lead guitarist Steve Lynnworth. Steve is a former member of Portland based R&B band Big Chief, and is the author of the guitar instruction book “Understanding the Chords.” Toby Tyler provides the rhythm guitar, and veteran performer Greg Lindholm plays acoustic bass. Joining them will be the group’s newest member, Sky Ludwig on accordion.

Following their set, Mes Amis will back up special guest Harry Richter for a few songs. Harry is currently the guitarist for the group Fourteen Strings, and was a member of the Hot Club of Portland for several years.

The Hot Club du Monde (hot club of the world) is a Portland based quartet featuring Phil



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Mes Amis

The band takes their name from the French for “my friends”. The members are drawn together by their friendship as well as their love for gypsy jazz. Stevie Lynworth on Lead Guitar, and Vocals, Toby Tyler on Rhythm Guitar
Greg Lindholm on Bass

Bloch, Mike Arciero, Ryan Flaherty and Duane Edwards. Phil Bloch is a virtuoso on violin in classical, bluegrass, and jazz. Mike Arciero is a Portland based guitarist who concentrates on acoustic jazz and tango music. Ryan Flaherty is a seasoned rhythm guitarist who is also establishing himself as a solo performer. Duane Edwards is an in-demand young bassist who plays with a variety of groups ranging from rock to jazz to Cuban.

The headliner of the festival will be Ameranouche (pronounced uh-MARE-uh noosh) a “Gypsy Jazz Power Trio” from New Hampshire. The group features Richard



Hot Club du Monde

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“Shepp” Sheppard on lead guitar, Zach Pearson on rhythm guitar and Stephen Gibson on Bass. They are the winner of Best of New Hampshire awards as well as being veterans of the famed Newport Jazz Festival. They tour nationally year-round, have released two albums and are currently working on a third.

There will be food and beverages concessions available, but it is recommended to bring along a blanket or lawn chair to sit on. Tickets for the festival are by advance sales only. Tickets are \$15 and are available by calling Janna at (207) 465-4439.



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Fishing

This is What Summer in the Belgrades is All About

by Mike Guarino



6-Year Old Nathan Kallin caught this 8 pound pike and weighted it in at Day's Store last Wednesday. Way to go Kallin!

Summer is kicking into high gear and everyone is out enjoying the beautiful weather and perfect swimming conditions. It's so much fun to see the lakes being enjoyed by everyone from jet skiers to water-skiers to sunbathers sitting on the ends of their docks. All this sunshine brings out the best in people too and we've had some wonderful conversations with folks as we fish by their cottages; the traditional "great weather eh?" and "how are they biting" along with stories of moose swimming across Great Pond's Austin Bog and aggressive beavers chewing down newly planted apple trees. This is what summer in the Belgrades is all about.

Last Monday I got up way too early. In my opinion there's no reason to get up at 4:30 a.m. unless you make donuts for a living or are a fishing guide. But getting up early does have its advantages and I enjoy the quiet time and the sunrises. While sitting on the porch sipping a coffee, the laptop was tuned into CNN.com. I was scanning over the latest world news and reading about our country's deficit problem. It's not the most energizing way to start the day, but I knew there were blue skies and crystal waters (along with a rock pile full of chunky smallmouth bass) waiting for us. After picking up Dick Dempster and his two son-in-laws Michael and Gentry, we headed out to the lake. We came across a young kid in nice a 14-foot aluminum boat with a 9.9 motor. It looked like one of Craig Poolers



Maine Guide Dale Freise holds a 36 inch northern pike for Kathryn Drosdick.

rental boats over at Belgrade Boat Rentals. The kid was probably 14, lean and tan wearing a pair of shorts and a ball cap. My brain raced back in time, back to a day when I lived for a week's vacation on the lake. Back to that first time, when I was finally old enough to take the boat out fishing by myself. All of a sudden national economic crisis, property taxes and worries about tuition payments vanished and all that mattered was that kid and that rock pile about a mile up lake. That's what fishing does to people, that's what fishing is. It's not a quest to see who catches the biggest fish or the most fish, those things take care of themselves. It's a reason to get up way too early and an excuse to push away the quandary of the day and focus on what's right in front of your eyes . . . its good livin'.

However, to really enjoy fishing we need to catch some fish and the last week has been a period of ups and downs. When the fishing has been hot, it's been amazingly hot and when it turned off, you might as well go eat one of those donuts. The key has been getting the fish active and keeping the bite alive for as long as possible, especially as the sun gets higher in the sky. Live bait has certainly been helpful to catching mid day fish but you can keep the bite going with artificial baits too. Early in the morning and late in the day, top water lures have been excellent (the Rapala X-Rap Walk and the Zara Spook have been working great) with tubes and senkos catching smallies in 10 – 15 feet of water along with the occasional northern pike. As a bonus, lots of people have reported catching big white perch off their docks on earthworms. This is definitely an added summer bonus and Maine white perch is the key ingredient to the best chowder anywhere in world! Good luck this week!

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Business

Maine Fiberarts: Achieving Awareness Success

How does a diverse industry, comprised of Hart studios and farms, spinneries and processing mills, shops and suppliers, galleries and learning centers, develop a united awareness strategy?

The answer for Maine's fiber community has been threefold: consolidate under an umbrella organization, put itself on a map, and hold open house.

Step one: Maine Fiberarts, a statewide non-profit arts organization, was founded in 2000 and installed in an historic building in Topsham where it integrates the fiber community through displays, information such as press releases, networking and brainstorming.

Step 2: The Maine Fiberarts Tour Map: Studios and Farms, a full-color, highly illustrated, 24x36" printed map listing 144 fiber sites throughout Maine, was published in 2006 in an edition of 60,000 copies. Maps were widely distributed through the Northeast and fostered new collaborations with Maine's state agencies for tourism, agriculture, arts and economic development. The map initiative was chosen as one of only two Special Events Grants in 2006, and was made possible with funding from the Maine Office of Tourism, National Endowment for



Weaver Sheila Shanti demonstrating the process of ikat weaving.

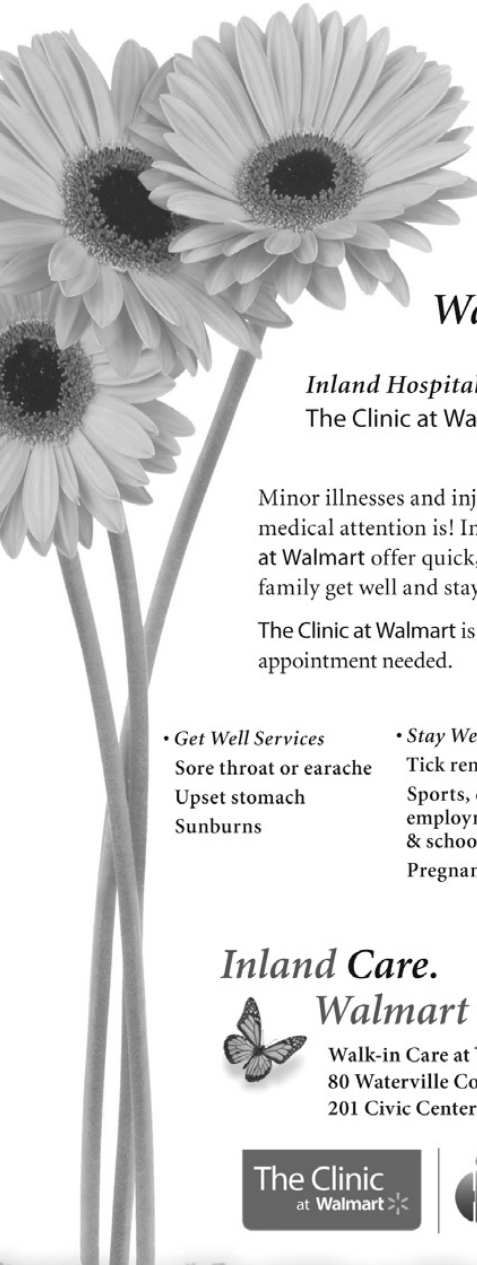
the Arts and other foundation, donor, participant and member support. An online version was also posted to the group's website at www.maineiberarts.org searchable by county, fiber medium, site name, town, etc.

A second edition was printed in 2009, listing 134 sites available year-round on a "best to call ahead" basis, through 2012. In a state conditioned to seasonality, the year-round factor was a successfully achieved uninterrupted industry visibility.

Step 3: The Fiber Arts Tour Weekend, first

organized in August 2006 attracted thousands of people who spent the three days visiting working farms and studios and taking part in demonstrations, workshops, studio tours, children's crafts, and farm living. Following the 2009 Tour Weekend, Maine Fiberarts surveyed participating sites: more than 3,000 visitors hailed from Maine, New Jersey, South Carolina, Arizona, Connecticut and 19 other states, Canada, Scotland, England and Japan. Tour maps were the primary way that people found out about the weekend, along with road signs, posters, Maine Fiberarts' website and other promotional venues. The weekend tour event was so successful that the nonprofit group decided to make the Fiber Arts Tour Weekend an annual event - always the first full weekend in August.

The 2011 Fiber Arts Tour Weekend, August 5-7, will include over 45 fiber destinations open to the public 10 am-5 pm. Information is posted at www.maineiberarts.org including site descriptions, photos, directions, web links, and contact info for each site including a GeoSearch by zip. The printed 2011 Fiber Arts Tour Weekend Brochure is available at sites on the tour, by visiting Maine Fiberarts, 13 Main Street, Topsham or contacting iberarts@gwi.net or 721-0678.



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