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An ABC of What is Free

OK, so it's summer and the wallet is empty, or the urge to economize is overwhelming, or it's time to set an example for those gimme children.

OK, so it's summer and this is central Maine and for centuries folks haven't had a whole lot to spend on entertainment so there's a tradition of large enjoyment from small things.

OK, so it's summer and adventure is waiting and truly the best outings are free. Start with this list. Go through it, add to it, do it.

a
antiquing, auctions, art exhibits, art galleries, art museums, sidewalk art shows, art walks...

b
berrying (the wild variety), birding, boat landings...

c
concerts, concerts, concerts...

d
downtowns...



e
exploring...

f
fairground events, festivals...

g
games, gardening, greenhouses...

h
hiking, historical societies...

i
ice cream (the splurge!)

j
jogging...

k
kite flying (almost free if you make your own)

l
libraries...

m
museums in the streets...

n
nothing, puttering, putting off...

o
outdoors...

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p
parades, parks and playgrounds...

q
quaint places, quiet...

r
rain, reading...

s
shopping: just looking, spectating, sports events, story telling, sunsets...

t
trails...

u
universities and colleges, campuses...

v
views, volunteering...

w
walks, wildlife watching, wind, waves and white caps, window shopping...

x
x-country, bushwhacking

y
yard sale-ing...

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Z...Z...Z

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Imagine yourself with warm soft breezes on your face in a beautiful sailboat gracefully skimming over crystal clear waters with fluffy clouds and a deep blue sky overhead adding to your already heightened state of happiness as you round one of the many beautiful islands on the day's established race course, the last tack before you shoot straight across the wind to the finish line and a group of smiling happy folks awaiting your arrival with grills blazing and iced down coolers full of your favorite after-race beverages. What more could you ask for on a summer's day? Sounds like something right out of the Caribbean, doesn't it? But it's right here in your own backyard in Maine in Belgrade on Great Pond.

The Great Pond Yacht Club, a family friendly group of sailing enthusiasts, has established a club for anyone who enjoys the wonders of sailing close to home. If you don't have a sailboat on Great Pond, join anyway and ride along with other members of the club. They always have room for another crew. If you do have a sailboat, it does not have to be a specific type. The club uses an official handicap system so that boats from all classes can race fairly, with adjusted times for the winning awards. You, too, could win the famous Witkin Cup or the Hurricane Cup but you will have to join the club to discover the roots of those and other established trophies.

As an added benefit, you will have the chance to visit many wonderful camps around the lake as meetings and after race parties often are hosted at members' properties for all to enjoy. What are you waiting for? Go on line at greatpondyachtclub.com and sign up now.

For you women, GPYC is planning a women's only sailing lesson this year, with details to follow. If you want to gain the confidence to sail on your own, this one-day class will help you get there. It will be given by an accomplished female instructor with no men around to short circuit the learning process, so to speak.

A total of 13 races are held throughout the summer starting on Memorial Day weekend with races every Saturday at 1:00 PM. There are 9 unofficial Saturday races and 4 special race events this season. The special races are The Witkin Cup May 26, The Rasta Race and Raftup June 16, The Milfoil Regatta July 21, and The Hurricane Cup August 25 which is our final race of the season. All dates and announcements are posted on the club's website.

So whether you are an experienced sailor or just want to learn to sail there is a place for you at the GPYC. In only its second season, the club is just getting started. It has big plans and you can get involved to shape the future of sailing in the Belgrade lakes, all while making new friends and soaking up sun and fun. To be part of the club, go on-line to greatpondyachtclub.com, or send an email to greatpondyc@gmail.com

John Gibbs

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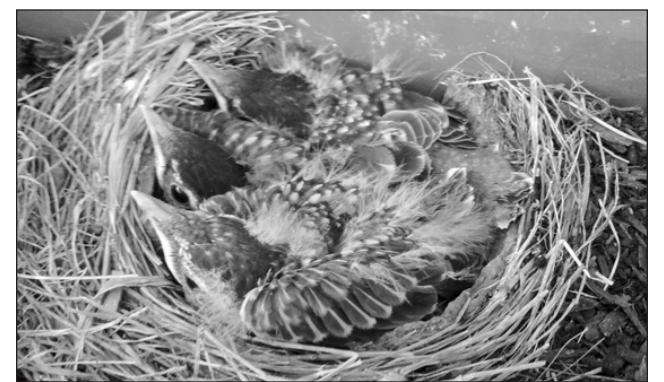
Legacies

When this special pair of robins returns to Augusta for the summer, their home is a planter on a second story deck where they build their nest, raise their young...and then start all over again. Their unusual lodging preference

began a year ago when human occupant, Annie Dumont, noticed a pile of dead grass in one of her planters. She removed it; another pile was back the next evening. Fortunately for the determined robin pair she got the message and a fasci-

nating, trusting relationship began.

Fortunately for the human world Anne is a photographer who chronicles and shares this amazing nesting saga.



Waterville Recognized as a "Healthy Hometown"

Because of its extensive collaboration establishing the new 200-acre Quarry Road Recreation Area, the City of Waterville was recently named part of the statewide L.L. Bean Healthy Hometowns program.

The Healthy Hometowns program is the community development division of the Maine Winter Sports Center, which is supported with a \$1 million grant from L.L. Bean. The designation brings affordable ski and bike rentals, trails and facilities development, leadership training, and a range of outdoor recreation programs for adults and youth.

As a Healthy Hometowns affiliate, Quarry

Road Recreation Area joins a network of trails facilities in the state, from Rumford to Fort Kent, and fills a gap in Central Maine. To date, 200 acres of land have been purchased, 10 kilometers of world-class trails designed and constructed, and memorable events held, from cross country ski competitions to winter carnivals and mountain biking festivals.

Other activities at Quarry Road include walking/running, kayaking, canoeing, snowshoeing, sledding, geocaching, and more.

The Summer-long program in Central Maine starts June 12 and picks up again in the winter with weekly sessions. Summer sessions will feature a variety of activities including running, hiking, roller skiing, and paddling. Most activities will take place at the Quarry Road Recreation Area.

The City of Waterville has certainly shown what can be accomplished when lots of different people come to the table," said Lauren Jacobs, the Healthy Hometowns coach for Central Maine. "I'm excited to get started working in a commu-

nity that so whole-heartedly supports active, outdoor lifestyles. Healthy Hometowns should be a helpful addition to all of the great work that is already being done in Waterville."

Collaborators and supporters of Quarry Road Recreation Area currently include Central Maine Ski Club, Colby College, Harold Alfond Foundation, Inland Hospital, Kennebec Messalonskee Trails, Kennebec Savings Bank, Maine Department of Conservation (Recreational Trails Program), Maine Army National Guard, New England Mountain Bike Association (Central Maine Chapter), New England Nordic Skiing Association, Healthy Maine Partnerships, MaineGeneral Health, Alfond Youth Center, Oakland Schools, Sunrise Rotary Club, Waterville High School, and numerous volunteers and donors.

For further information, contact Matt Skehan, Director, Parks and Recreation, City of Waterville, 680-4744; John Koons, President, Friends of Quarry Road, 872-5252; or Lauren Jacobs, Healthy Hometowns Coach, 227-8580.



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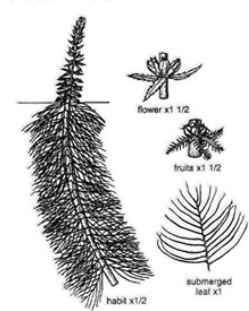


Milfoil Matters

Milfoil in Your Fish Tank

by Lynn Matson

Variable Watermilfoil
Myriophyllum heterophyllum



Variable milfoil has delicate feather-like leaves below the surface that give it a bottlebrush appearance.

This column is devoted to telling the milfoil story; what it is, what problems it can cause, what's being done to stop it and what you can do to help.

Non-native milfoil is an invasive plant that has the potential to greatly diminish the recreational value of our lakes, alter the balance of the eco system in our watershed and adversely impact our entire community. It's a serious threat to everything we cherish and want to protect and preserve about this area.

Last fall, variable milfoil was found growing in North Bay in Great Pond. The good news is that it is confined to a relatively small part of the lake and an aggressive action plan is underway to remove it and keep it from spreading. This column is devoted to telling the milfoil story; what it is, the problems it can cause, what's being done to stop it and what you can do to help.

WHAT IS MILFOIL?

Milfoil is a rooted, submersed, perennial aquatic plant. There are actually nine different kinds of milfoil in Maine. Five of them are native. These native milfoil species have been in our lakes for eons. They are not a problem because they are part of the natural ecology of the lakes. The native milfoils are a primary food source of a small water bug, the watermilfoil weevil, which keeps them in check.

The other four types of milfoil are the problem: variable milfoil, Eurasian milfoil, hybrid milfoil and parrot feather. The weevils don't have an appetite for these invasive species so they're left to grow unchecked in our lakes. They really have no natural enemies.

WHAT DOES MILFOIL LOOK LIKE?

You might already know what milfoil looks like. In fact, you may have had it in your fish tank when you were a kid. It was the very fine feathery plant that grew on long stems from the bottom of your tank right up to the top forming a thick mat in which your fish could hide.

To be a little more descriptive, variable milfoil, which is the species in Great Pond, grows in clumps with branching stems emerging from dense spreading roots. Stems are most often thick, robust and reddish brown in color. Small root hairs grow at nodes along the length of the stem.

Variable milfoil is also called variable-leaf milfoil and for good reason. Depending on the time of year, its leaves have such a different appearance that the same plant can be easily mistaken

for two different plants.

In the spring and early summer, when the plant is totally submersed, the variable milfoil leaves are fine, feather-like and arranged in densely packed whorls of 4 to 6 around the stem. These tightly arranged delicate leaves give the plant a bottlebrush or raccoon tail appearance.

In midsummer, when the plant grows up and reaches the surface, the stems can stick out of the water 3" to 6" and form spikes. The leaves that grow on these emergent stems are solid and stiff, about 1" in length, bright green in color and usually have serrated edges. Very small white flowers can grow on the spikes.

In an aquarium the milfoil grows up from the bottom and floats on the surface creating a thick mat that can fill the whole top of the tank. It does the same thing in our lakes. Upon reaching the lake surface, the milfoil branches out in great profusion and grows horizontally creating a dense canopy.

But there is one important difference. The milfoil in an aquarium can only grow a foot or two in length. In our lakes it can grow right from the shoreline all the way out to where the water is 15 to 20 feet deep. That means milfoil could grow around virtually the entire shoreline of Great and Long Ponds and totally fill the shallower bays. The resulting thick mat of milfoil would not only greatly reduce the recreational value of our lakes but also block out sunlight to submersed plants changing the entire character of the lake ecosystem.

To get a better understanding of what milfoil looks like, visit the Maine Lakes Resource Center in Belgrade Lakes Village. Right inside the front door you'll find an aquarium planted with variable milfoil. While you are there, pick up a Milfoil ID card to help you identify the plant when you are on the water.

MIFOIL ACTION PLAN UPDATE

New England Milfoil has completed their second full week of work in Great Meadow Stream and North Bay in Great Pond. They have removed over 3600 gallons of milfoil! That's more than the total amount removed in 2010 and 2011 combined. So far, no significant milfoil infestations have been identified outside the restricted area. New England Milfoil will resume their work on Great Pond later this month and continue right into mid-August. The BRCA mil-

foil team removed 43 benthic barriers from the stream for repair and reinstallation.

The STOP MILFOIL Capital Campaign has received \$132,180 from 173 individual donors. A milfoil public meeting is planned for Tuesday, June 26th, 6:00 PM, at the Maine Lakes Resource Center. For more information, to volunteer or donate, call 512-5554 or visit www.belgradelake-sassociation.org.



Conservation

Children Can Explore the Outdoors at L.C. Bates Nature Camp

Just after schools let out and before regular camp schedules begin the L.C. Bates Museum in Hinckley offers two weeks of hands-on, interactive day programs for ages 6-11. Each program is from 9 am until noon and often includes outside activities like walking along the wooded trails, exploring the lovely fields, or dipping a net in a lily-pad-filled wetland.

Daily programs are scheduled as follows:

Monday, June 18 – Beautiful Birds
Tuesday, June 19 – Under the Sea – Shelled
..... Masters of the Marine World
Wednesday, June 20 – Rad Reptiles
Thursday, June 21 – Rocks in our Lives
Friday, June 22 – The Amazing Life at the Pond

Monday, June 25 – We Love Bugs
Tuesday, June 26 – Skills of the Hunters and
..... Gatherers of Maine
Wednesday, June 27 – Fossils of Dinosaurs and
..... and other Ancient Beasts
Thursday, June 28 – Wetland Wonders
Friday, June 29 – Endangered/Invasive/Extinct

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Gardening workshops, music, local artisans, garden tours, children's activities, and live alpacas will be on the day's program.

Relax in the beautiful gardens and enjoy a buffet gourmet luncheon (\$10 for adults). Admission fee is \$5 for all ages and includes a Fairy Feast for the children.

A free Iris Siberica "Harpwell Happiness" will be given to the first 100 guests (18 and older). Children under 12 are invited to visit the alpacas and be eligible to win an alpaca teddy bear.

Sponsored by Hospice Volunteers of the Waterville Area, the Summer Solstice in the Garden benefits programs such as: volunteer training, which is held each spring and fall; bereavement services to anyone who has sustained loss either through illness or unexpected;



Garden Party Benefits Area Hospice Programs



edly; Hope's Place for grieving children, teens, and families; and Camp Ray of Hope, a weekend retreat held annually for those who have lost someone they love.

Hospice Volunteers of the Waterville Area provides end-of-life care and grief support to residents in 27 communities in Kennebec, Waldo, Penobscot and Somerset Counties.

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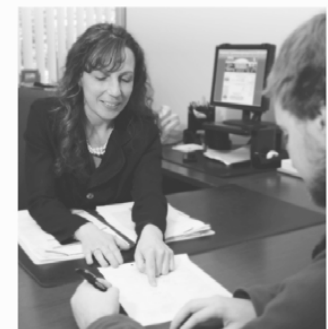
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Notebook

VLMP Seeks Ice-Out Records

• Maine's Volunteer Lake Monitor Program, which coordinates water quality testing in the state, is currently seeking ice-out records in order to help understand the relationship between ice cover, water quality and global climate change. The VLMP will also serve as a state repository for these interesting and historic records. Anyone who has kept records over the years on any lake in the state may contact vlmp@mainevlmp.org or 873-7733.

BRCA Announces Photo Contest

• The Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance is holding a 25th Anniversary Photography Contest, open to all members, for its 2013 BRCA Commemorative Calendar. The deadline is July 31, 2012. Winning photographers will be announced at the BRCA Annual Dinner in September. Guidelines include: the Belgrade Lakes Watershed's seven lakes, the BRCA trails and the Kennebec Highlands trails. For more details visit www.belgradelakes.org or call 495-6039. Entries should be submitted to: BRCA, P.O. Box 250, Belgrade Lakes, ME 04918 or brca@belgradelakes.org.

Augusta

• Nine weeks of fun at the Children's Discovery Museum 2012 Summer Camps will include: Building/Lego Camp, ages 6-8, June 25-29; Crazy Art!, ages 3-6, July 9-13; Pirate, Ahoy Matey!, ages 6-8, July 16-20; Fun, Food & Fitness, ages 3-5, July 23-27; (H2O) Water Camp, ages 6-8, July 30-August 3; World Exploration, ages 3-5, August 6-10; Princesses & Knights, ages 6-8, August 13-17; Science Discovery, ages 3-5, August 20-24. All camps are 9 am-noon; rates are \$90 for members and \$100 for non-members. 622-220

Belgrade

• Camp Golden Pond 2012, day camp for Kindergarten-Grade 6, will begin its 8-week session June 25-29 at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons. Regular camp hours are 8 am-4 pm with before and after hours available. Rates are \$85 for residents; \$135 for nonresidents; \$20 and \$30 per day for drop-ins. Each week features a special theme and field trip. For grades 6-9 Camp Loon will start June 25 and the Compass Project Boat Building Camp will be offered the week of July 23. The pool at the Center is open to the Public on Thursdays for swim lessons. No pre-registration is necessary; the fee is \$5 per class. 495-3481

• Friends of the Belgrade Public Library's 4th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, July 12 with a 12:00 noon tee off time at the Belgrade Lakes Golf Course. The tournament is a scramble format. A putting contest will go on throughout the tournament. A great array of prizes both valuable and humorous is being offered. Following the tournament there will be a cocktail reception/buffet and auction. Proceeds will benefit the new library renovations. For more information and to register contact jpjohnson027@roadrunner.com or 495-2101.

Farmington

• Monthly Art Exhibits at Sugarwood Gallery, 248 Broadway, will feature: June – Carole Richards, July – Peter Dumont, August – Al Stratton, September – Megan Roberts. The gallery is open Monday through Friday 10 am-5:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday 10 am-4 pm. Artists' Receptions are Friday 4-7 pm and Saturday 11 am-3 pm, the first weekend of the month. 778-9105

Gardiner

• Summer Shenanigans, the Visual & Performing Arts Day Camp for kids going into grades K-9, at Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center will offer 4 sessions in June and July. Session 1, June 25-29, is for grades K-1 and meets from 9 am-1 pm. Session 2, 3 and 4, for grades 2-4, 4-6 and 7-9 respectively, meet from 9 am-4 pm. Campers spend half the session on visual arts and half on performing, take walks for activities at the library, waterfront and park, and present a show of Friday for parents and friends. 582-7144

• Historic Johnson Hall, the oldest operating theater in Maine, will be open for tours on Thursdays in June. Board members and the Executive Director will guide visitors through the three-story structure, entertaining them with stories of bygone days, highlights of current arts programming, and visions of the future. Refreshments will be served at 5 pm; tours begin at 5:30 pm and take 30-45 minutes. 582-7144

Hallowell

• The new ice rink, The Ice Vault on Whitten Road, formerly the Kennebec Ice Arena will be open starting on Monday, June 18. The Skating Association of Maine will be offering Basic Skills Learn to Skate Classes with the first session starting June 18 and running for three weeks on Monday nights. Additional sessions will be offered in July and August on Saturday mornings. 622-6354

Hinckley

• Lost Ladybug Project! On Saturday, July 7 at 1 pm the L.C. Bates Museum will explore some very helpful

insects, the ladybugs! As part of the Lost Ladybug Project, a citizen science project from Cornell University, the museum guides will discuss all things ladybug: the ladybugs that have disappeared from Maine, tips for photographing them, and a field search. Last year's search found three different ladybug species on the Goodwill-Hinckley trails. 238-4250

Livermore

• High School seniors have the chance to receive a \$1,000 scholarship, named in honor of the Washburn-Norlands Living History Center founder, Ethel "Billie" Gammon. The recipient can be from anywhere in the state, must have been inspired by experiences at Norlands and is planning to pursue a field that can be related to the Norlands mission, which includes such areas as history, American studies, education, museum studies, and sustainable agriculture. Applications, due no later than June 30, include an essay of 300-500 words about the Norlands influence. Recipients will be notified by August 1, 2012. www.norlands.org

Mt. Vernon

• The Community Center Cafe is open every Saturday, 9:30-11:30 am with coffee, tea, treats and sociability.

New Sharon

• Going to the Emmy's! Nichols Top of the Hill Grill & BBQ sauce is heading to the Daytime Emmy Awards. Bottles of Maine Maple Chipotle sauce will be in all the gift bags (1,000 of them) at the June 23 Awards in Los Angeles. 779-0973

Oakland

• The Oakland Public Library's summer reading program for children, "Dream Big – Read" will present special programs on each of the following Wednesdays at 2 p.m.: July 11 Judy Pancoast musical program; July 18 Gene Roy "Dreamcatchers" – make one to take home; July 25 Desiree Marin, storyteller; August 1 "Stephan the Great" magician; August 8 Farmer Minor and Daisy Pig, "pig out on reading" and final party. 465-7533

Sidney

• Special sessions at New England Music Camp during the 2012 season include two adult camps and a Chamber Music Seminar. The inaugural season for the Maine Chamber Music Seminar will be held June 17-23. The seminar is a chamber music intensive for advanced college and graduate-level students. The Adult Music Camps are Band Week, August 26-September 1 and Orchestra Week September 2-8. 465-3025



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AUGUSTA

• Arboretum, 6 miles of year round walking trails open dawn to dusk, Visitor Center open Mon-Fri 9 am-4 pm, Viles Arboretum, 626-7989, vilesarboretum.org, 153 Hospital St.

Capitol Complex, State Street

• **Maine State House**, Hall of Flags, House and Senate Rooms, Klir Beck dioramas, Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm, book tours at Maine State Museum, walk-ins welcome 9 am-1 pm, 287-2301, www.maine.gov

• **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**, Mon-Sat opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/

Other Museums

• **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

• **Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine**, Michael Klahr Center, Mon-Fri 8 am-4 pm, 621-3530, www.hhrc.uma.edu

• **UMA Fitness Trail**, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center

Riverfront/Downtown

• **Old Fort Western**, 1754 fort, house, store, 1-4 pm daily, admission \$6, 4-14 years \$4, 626-2385, www.oldfortwestern.org Cony St.

• **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 St.

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

• **Farmers' Market at Mill Park**, Tues 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**, check for schedule, 7:00 pm, \$5, 495-3599, www.unionchurchmaine.org, 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.

• **Maine Lakes Resource Center**, 512-5150, www.dock-stodorways.com, 171 Main St.

FAIRFIELD

• **Fairfield Historical Society**, 1890 Cotton-Smith House, Tue 9 am-12 noon, 1-4 pm, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalssociety.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, 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

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

o **The Center for Maine Craft**, 9 am-6 pm daily, 588-0021, www.maineecrafts.org, West Gardiner Service Plaza, Route 126 off Routes 95 and 295

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.ianreinholdt.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,

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• **The Theater At Monmouth**, The Shakespeare Theater of Maine, Cumston Hall, 933-9999, www.theateratmonmouth.org, Main St.

MOUNT VERNON

• **D.E.W Animal Kingdom**, Zoo, 293-2837, www.dewanimalkingdom.com, Tue-Sun 10 am-5 pm, \$10, 918 Pond Rd, Rt 41

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.org, 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.com>
• **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 cul-

ture, 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, SSomerseset Gristmill parking lot, downtown

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**, Smithfield/Rome, 152 Madison Avenue, Skowhegan, ME 04976, 474-8988, www.northpond.net
- **McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association (MP/SL)**, Belgrade/Oakland, RR 2, Box 2800, Belgrade, 04917, 465-3983, www.salmonlake.org
- **Great/Long Ponds: Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA)**, Belgrade/Rome/Mount Vernon, PO Box 551, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 512-5150, www.belgradelake-sassociation.com
- **Friends of Messalonskee Lake Watershed**, Oakland/Belgrade/Sidney, PO Box 532, Oakland, 04963, 465-2888, www.snowpond.org
- **Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance and BRCA Conservation Corps**, PO Box 250, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-6039, www.belgradelakes.org
- **Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLRBG)**, PO Box 596, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3700, www.belgrade-lakesmaine.com
- **Maine Lakes Resource Center/Docks to Doorways**, PO Box 431, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3617, 620-6029, www.dockstodoorways.com

BEYOND...

- **Maine Congress of Lake Associations (COLA)**, PO Box 426, 137 Main Street, Belgrade, 04917, 1-855-463-2652, 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 St, Farmington, 04938, 778-4279, www.franklin-cswcd.org
- **Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District**, Central Maine Commerce Center, 21 Enterprise Dr, Augusta, 04330, 622-7847, ext. 3, www.kcswwcd.org
- **Kennebec Land Trust (KLT)**, PO Box 261, 134 Main St, Winthrop, 04364, 377-2848, www.tkl.org
- **Kennebec Messalonskee Trails**, PO Box 2388, Waterville, 04903, 873-6443, www.KMTrails.org
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, PO Box 2195, Augusta, 04338, 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
- **Central Maine chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (CeMeNEMBA)**, 1154 West Rd, Belgrade 04917, 441-6227, www.cemenemba.org

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— Calendar —

Through Friday 6/15 – Annual Book and Plant Sale, 9 am-2 pm, rain or shine, wide selection of plants, books. 873-2430, Humane Society Waterville Area, 100 Webb Road, Waterville.

Through Saturday 6/16 - "Enchanted April," comedy, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 6/14 through Sunday 6/17 – Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival, great line-up of bands, good family entertainment, camping available, www.blisteredfingers.com, 873-6539, Litchfield Fairgrounds, Litchfield.

Thursday 6/14 through Sunday 6/17 - Maine Horse Association 33rd Annual Downeast Horse Congress Show, Class AA double judged show, pleasure classes Thursday-Saturday, hunter classes and dressage competition Saturday, covered arena, free admission, Skowhegan Fairgrounds, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

Friday 6/15 through Sunday 6/17 – Trek Across Maine, 3 days, 180 miles, to benefit the American Lung Association, all ages and experience levels welcome, lungme.org, 1-888-241-6566, Bethel to Belfast.

Friday 6/15 - Vicki Doudera, "Deadly Offer," reading and book signing as part of Trek Across Maine, 4 pm, 778-3454, DDG Bookstore, downtown Farmington.

Friday 6/15 - Artists Reception, Nancy and Abbott Meader, 5-8, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

Friday 6/15 - Artists' Reception, "Variations 5, an Exhibition of Art, Bodies of Text and Perspectives," a unique art exhibition highlighting six ArtDog artists, show will run

through July 7, opening reception 5-7 pm, 582-2108, Circling the Square Fine Art Press gallery space, 275 Water Street ground floor, ArtDogs Studios Building, Gardiner.

Wednesday 6/15 - Victoria Style Tea Party for girls, come dressed as your favorite Victorian lady with boas, frilly hats, gloves, shawls, join the fashion show, games, tea, sandwiches, cookies, pre-registration required, \$3 per person, 622-2209, Children's Discovery Museum, 171 Capitol Street, Augusta.

Friday 6/15 – Relay For Life for Greater Augusta, 6 pm-10 am, 1-800-ACS-1245, www.relayforlife.org, Windsor Fairgrounds, Windsor.

Saturday 6/16 - Capitol Breakfast Ride, 25-30 miles, road biking, 8 am, cbrown@augustaschools.com, Hussey Elementary School, Augusta.

Saturday 6/16 - Third Annual Yard Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Belgrade Public Library to benefit the new library renovations, 9 am-1 pm, 495-2101, Day's Real Estate, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

Saturday 6/16 - Amazing Small Mammals, Children's Program, 10 am, \$1, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Saturday 6/16 - Cabinet of Curiosities Day, create your own little cabinet of curiosities and learn the history of this fun Victorian concept, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Saturday 6/16 – American Cancer Relay for Life, Somerset County, 1-800-ACS-2345, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Skowhegan.

Saturday 6/16 – Greater Gardiner River Festival, all-day schedule includes children's activities, refreshments, music, trolley rides, a talent show, and fireworks, 582-3312, downtown and waterfront Gardiner.

Saturday 6/16 – 15th Annual Garden Party, to benefit Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, 10 am-3 pm, includes workshops and tours, children's activities, live music, live alpacas and lunch, reservations recommended 873-3615, Fieldstone Gardens, Vassalboro.

Saturday 6/16 - Public baked bean supper, all you can eat, 3 kinds of beans, chop suey, hot dogs, coleslaw, bread, homemade pies, 4:30-6 pm, tickets \$7, under 5 free, family of 4 or more \$20, Mt. Philip Grange, Routes 225 and 27, Rome.

Saturday 6/16 - Maine Mountain Chamber Music, directed by Laurie Kennedy and Yuri Funahashi, featuring Suzanne Nance, presented by The Arts Institute of Western Maine, 7:30 pm, \$15, Nordica Auditorium, University of Maine, Farmington.

Sunday 6/17 - Father's Day!!!

Monday 6/18 through Friday 6/22 - Nature Camp, special weekday program for children of all ages, different topic each day, \$7 per day, 9 am-12 noon, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Monday 6/18 – Old Crow Band, 7-9:30 pm, Meetinghouse Square, downtown Farmington.

Tuesday 6/19 - Pond Fun, come explore the pond with a museum guide, dip in your net to discover the many wonderful creatures that live in a wetland, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Tuesday 6/19 – The Crosbys, Outdoor Concert, free, 11:30 am-1 pm, Meetinghouse Park Gazebo, downtown Farmington.

Tuesday 6/19 – Rock on the River, Paul T-bo Group, 7-8:30 pm, 620-7477, Riverfront Boardwalk, North Water Street. Hallowell.

Wednesday 6/20 through Wednesday 7/4 - Whatever 2012 Family Festival and Day in Capitol Park, 35th annual celebration, activities and events for all ages, 623-4559, www.augustamaine.com, greater Augusta area.

Wednesday 6/20 through Saturday 6/23 - Greater Gardiner River Festival, events/carnival nightly and all day Saturday, food, fun, demonstrations, sales, art, children's activities, fireworks, 582-3312, downtown/Water Street and on the waterfront, Gardiner.

Wednesday 6/20 - "Customer Service in the New Millennium," speaker Jill Bruce, L.L. Bean, presented by the Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group, 8:30 am, The Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes Village.

Wednesday 6/20 - Children's Discovery Museum 4th Annual Kids Summer Kickoff FUN-raiser, music by Mr. Harley, Magic Show by Kent Axell, Jr., Maine-ly Balloons, bounce obstacle course, bounce house, games, crafts, food concession, raffles, to benefit programming at CDM, \$6 per person, 622-2209, Augusta Armory, Western Avenue, Augusta.

Wednesday 6/20 - Public Supper, baked ham, 5 pm till gone, \$8 per person, \$4 under 10 years of age, Fairview Grange, Route 8, Smithfield.

Wednesday 6/20 – Waterfront Wednesday concert, "School Street Band," children's activities, food, door prizes, vendors, free admission, 6 pm, Waterfront Park, Water Street, downtown Augusta.

Wednesday 6/20 - "Early Wings Over Maine: It all started in Augusta," by Bill Perry and John D. Davis, sponsored by Kennebec Historical Society, 622-7718, 6:30 pm, Augusta Airport Hanger, Winthrop Street, Augusta.



2012 SEASON

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directed by Dawn McAndrews

CHILDREN'S SHOW

June 23 - August 17

The Little Prince by Rick Cummins and John Scoullar based on the book by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry directed by Brooke Edwards

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Wednesday 6/20 - "Crayfish" lecture with Matthew Scott, retired Deputy Commissioner, Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, presentation about native and invasive crayfish in the Belgrade lakes, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, 7 pm, 495-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes Village.

Wednesday 6/20 - ArtTalk by Nancy and Abbott Meader, 7 pm, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

Wednesday 6/20 - Live Music at Waterfront Park, The Bilge Pumps, 7-9 pm, Fireworks at 9 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Thursday 6/21 through Sunday 6/24 - "9 to 5: The Musical," hilarious story of friendship and revenge in the Rolodex era, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 6/21 - Music with Mr. Harley kicks off the summer program at Belgrade

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Thursday 6/21 - Rocks!, there is nothing boring about rocks, they shimmer and shine, break open a geode, look under a black light and more, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

Thursday 6/21 - Simons and Goodwin, kickoff of the Summer Concert Series, on the front lawn, bring a chair or blanket, 6:30 pm, 626-2415, Lithgow Public Library, 45 Winthrop Street, Augusta.

Thursday 6/21 - Live music at Waterfront Park, Kate and the Kindred, 7-9 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Thursday 6/21 - Western Maine Storytelling Guild monthly meeting, join the group as a storyteller or listener, membership is free, all types of stories are welcome, 7-8:30 pm, 778-4662, Education Center, Room 113, University of Maine, Farmington.

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— Kennebec Corridor News & Notes —

Greater Gardiner River Festival June 20-23

The Greater Gardiner River Festival, the kick-off event of the Whatever Family Festival of the extended Augusta area, begins on Wednesday, June 20, with Kavanaugh Carnival on the waterfront at 4 pm, Maine vendors selling festival foods, The Bilge Pumps rock band from 7-9 pm, and spectacular fireworks from Central Maine Pyrotechnics after 9 pm.

The carnival continues on Thursday and Friday from 4-9:30 pm, with live bands both nights from 7-10 pm. Kate and the Kindred will play on Thursday and Sweatband performs on Friday.

Saturday, June 23, is a day-long celebration along Water Street, which will be closed to vehicular traffic, and on the waterfront. Festivities will start with a pancake breakfast at Christ Church and a Colossal Yard Sale from 8 am -3 pm; from 9 am-4 pm the Gardiner Public Library will be holding its annual book sale, and the 10th Annual Gardiner Arts & Crafts Festival will be celebrated from 10 am-4 pm.

The Festival will feature specialty food vendors, arts and crafts from Maine artisans, children's art projects with artists from the Center for Maine Craft in front of Johnson Hall (10 am-noon), and live music and entertainment. From noon-4 pm Rick Adam will wander from Water Street to the Waterfront with his character comedy, clowning, balloon animals, stilt-walking, and more.



Amperand Academy of Dance will perform in Johnson Hall mini-park at noon; at 1:15 pm Magician Bruce Johnson will entertain; and at 2:30 pm the Maranacook String Band will play bluegrass. In case of rain, the entertainment moves inside Johnson Hall.

On the Gardiner Waterfront the carnival will be open all day, there will be plenty of food vendors, and there will be booths by local non-profit organizations. The Fire Department will have demonstrations throughout the day, Coast Guard vessel will be docked along the waterfront and will be open for tours, and the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Gardiner will sponsor children's activities, face printing and games.

Saturday evening is a special highlight of the Greater Gardiner River Festival. Restaurants downtown and food vendors at the waterfront will remain open. The famous Johnson Hall Waterfront Talent Show, hosted by comedian Gary Crocker, will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by a huge fireworks display over the Kennebec River. The rain date for the Talent Show only is Sunday, June 24 at 3 pm in the Gardiner Area High School Theater.

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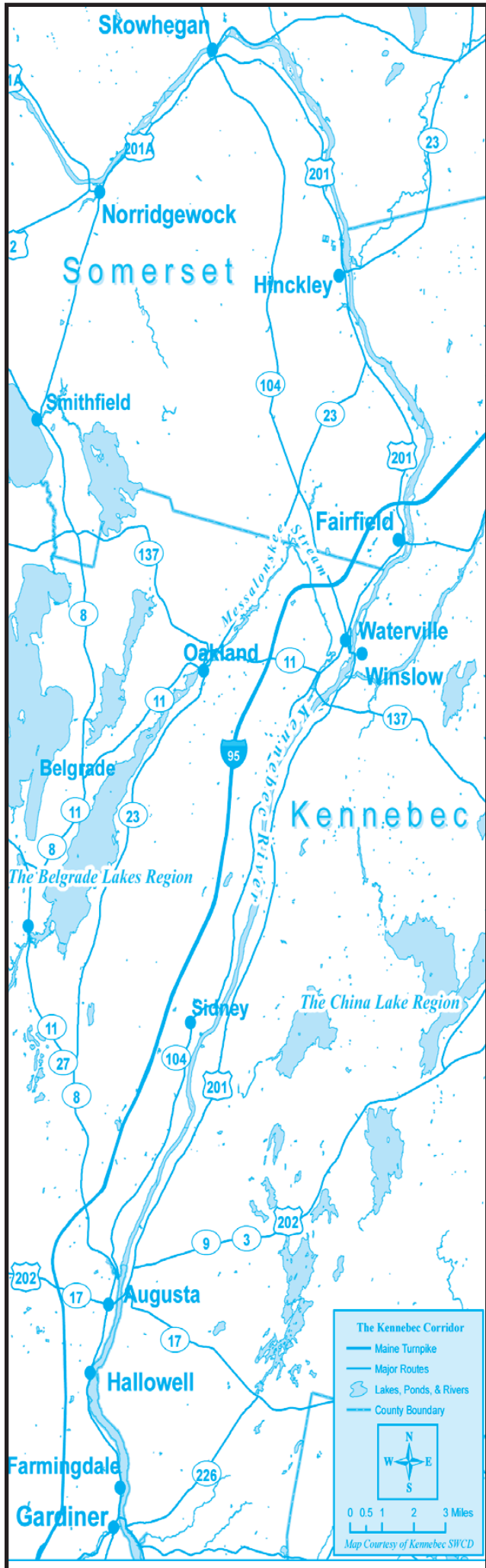
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The first plan prepared by Kent Associates, Inc. of Brunswick, Maine, and the City of Gardiner, Maine, was the winning bid for the plan. The plan was approved by the City Council and the Maine Department of Transportation. The US Dept. has approved the plan and the Savings Bank of Maine is providing support to the Rotary Club and the City of Gardiner.



—Katy's Column—

Hallowell and the Birds

You probably would not believe it, but a lot of Hallowell people are “for the birds.” Oh sure, you know lots of people who join walking groups to spot birds, enjoy seeking new flying creatures – much like all environmentalists – but I have a different story.

I called on a lovely lady a few weeks ago and found her busy in the flower garden. She dropped her shovel and softly whispered, “Come look, Katy.”

She steered me to a plant with blossoms ready to appear, but pointed far into the shrubbery and there – sitting as if alone – was a quiet, unmoving bird. People peeking at her was of no concern. As I watched, my friend explained: “I was making the bed one morning and looked out over the back, open field. There was a beautiful mallard duck flying overhead. It seemed to be seeking something but what, I could not imagine. It truly amazed me.”

After that part of the story was told, she continued, “Maybe a day or two later in the garden I pulled away some weeds and right there, next to the steps into the house, this female duck was kicking dirt over what I discovered was a new egg!”

She went on to estimate there were already nine eggs and she has been wondering how long before they break their shells and take flight? I know there is no real concern because she has located a book in her own library that tells her much about the life, habits and births of Maine wildlife. To my way of thinking this small bird family has located a perfect place to start their family. Not a place more fitting than the front yard, carefully tended, is the home of the late Rev. Phillip Palmer and his delightful wife, Sylvia. The birds are as safe there as anywhere in Maine!

I recounted the story later in the day to Hallowell’s historian, Sam Webber. He added a bit of historic bird-lore from his childhood in Hallowell. The story goes that Sam was helping farm the land around what is now Rollins Furniture Store. It was a chicken farm and a man by the name of Jere Snell gave Sam 3 ‘ducklings.’ He built a home for them and tended them but, alas, when the group grew in numbers (72 in all) demands were more than he could handle – work and dollars-related and he gave the herd to the Rollins family.

There surely are a variety of life’s needs that attract people – and birds -to this amazing small city along the Kennebec River in Maine! None should be ignored.



Katy Perry is an author, and news commentator who knows, loves, and respects Maine.

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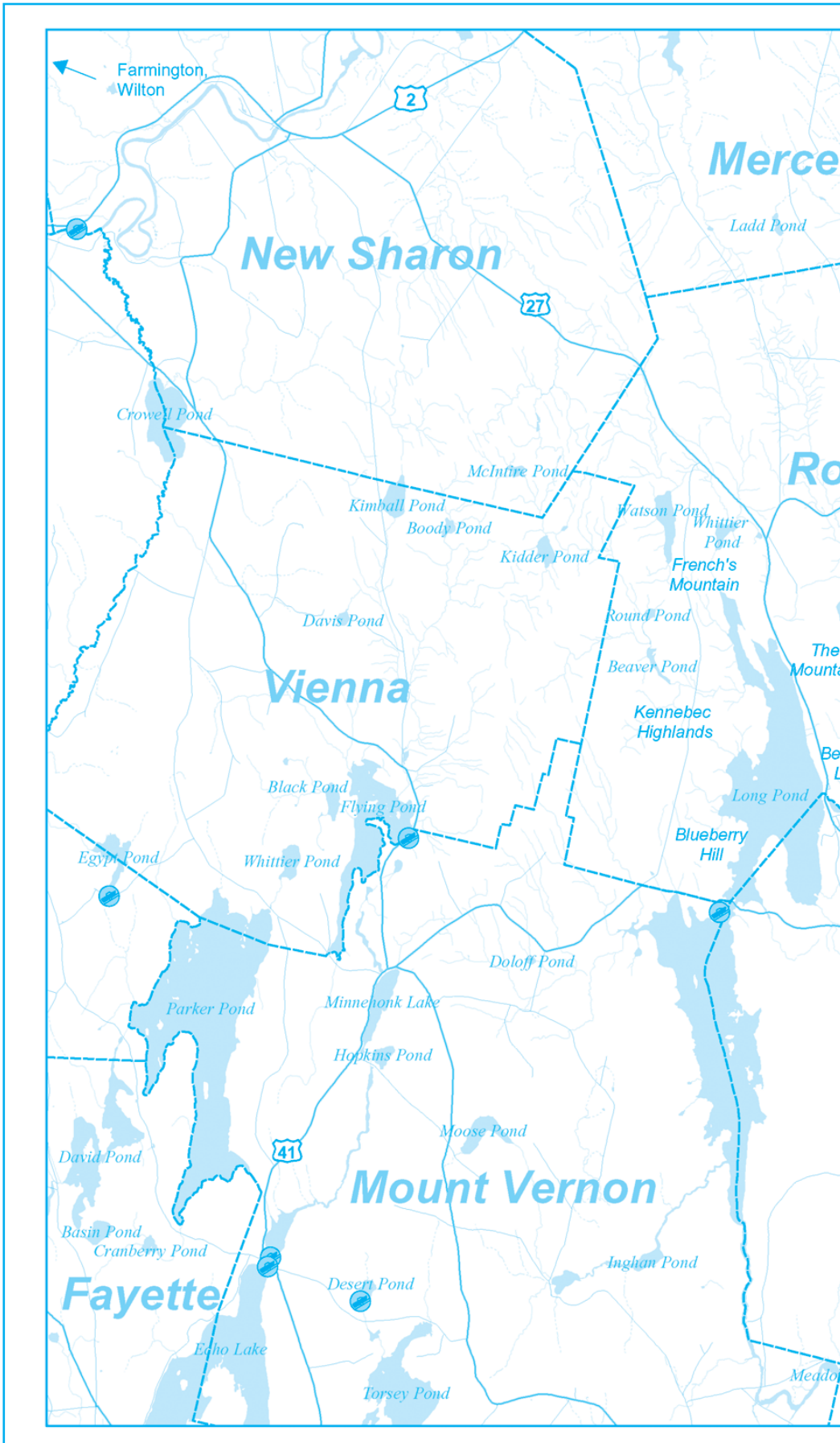
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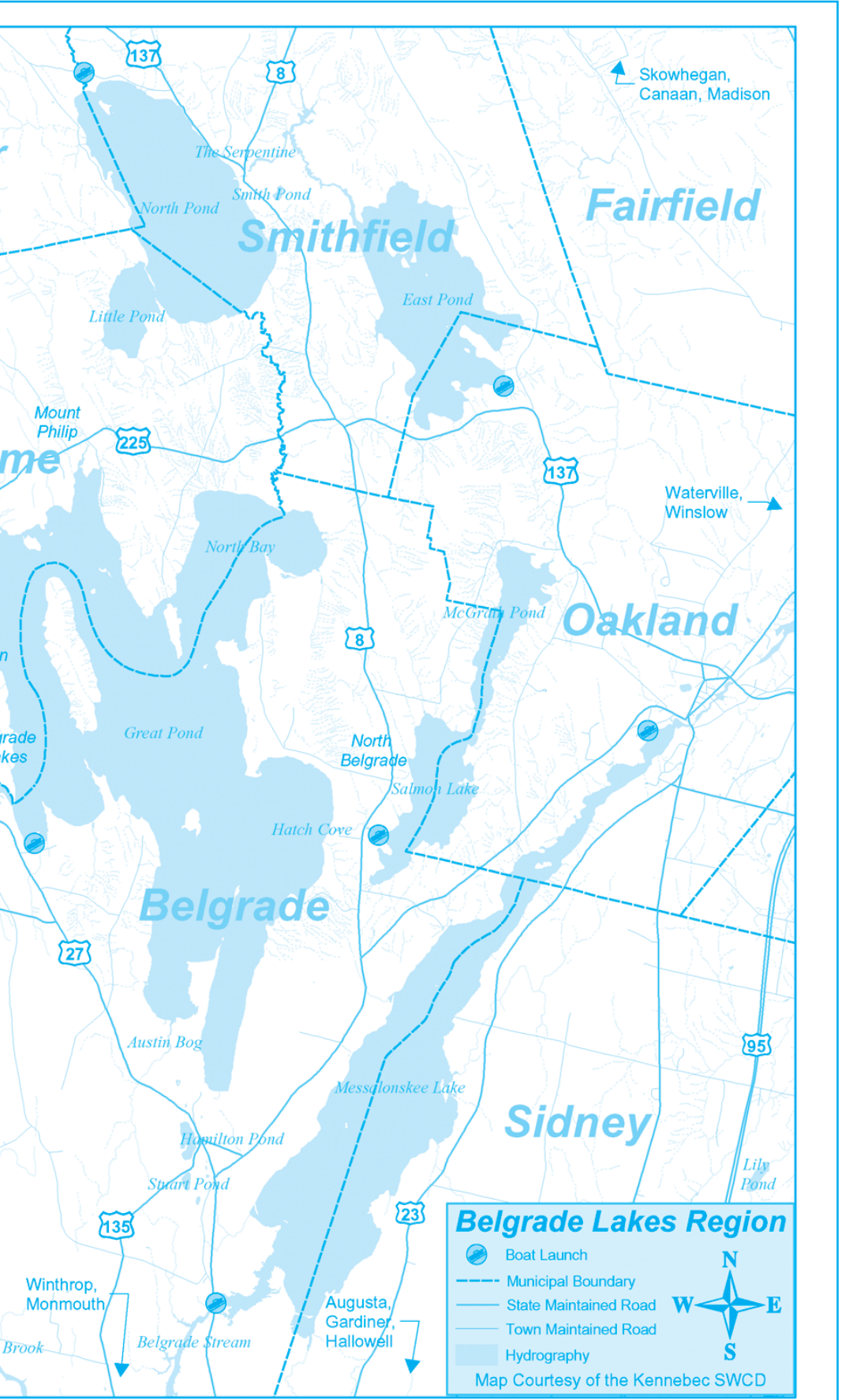


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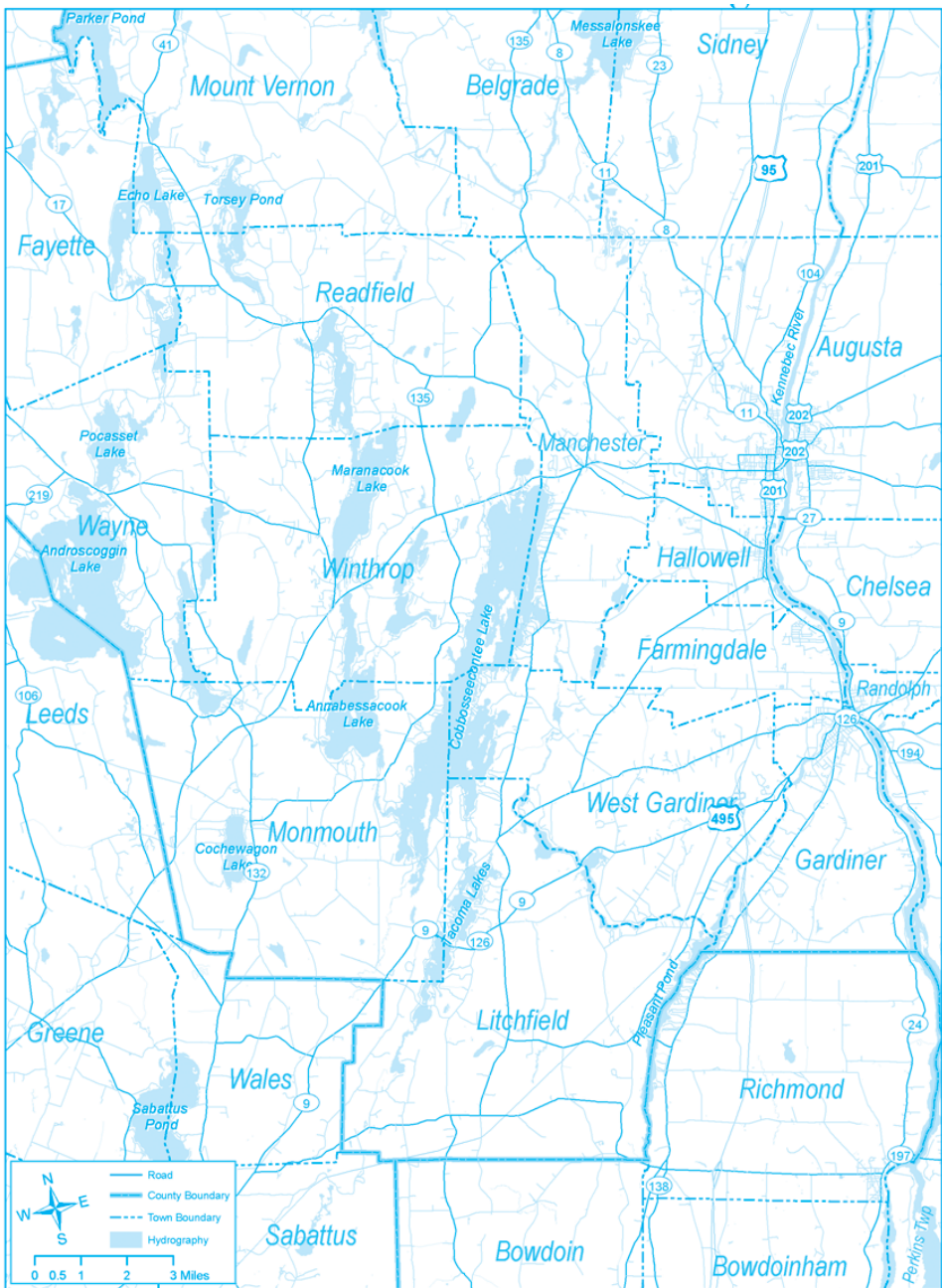
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While the numbers are impressive and the success of the program is evident in the current lack of invasive aquatic plant infestations in the majority of lakes and ponds in the Cobbossee Watershed (knock on wood!), long term viability will depend on an increasing responsibility taken by boat owners. As John McPhedran of the Maine DEP Invasive Species Program notes that considering the “approximate 120,000 boats registered in Maine for use on 5,700 inland waters, the odds are that the next confirmed infestation will occur beyond the reach of the CBI program.”

This vast number of water bodies to protect, coupled with increasingly tight budgets, will necessitate individual boat owners taking an increased responsibility of inspecting their own boats. This summer, the Friends CBI team will be encouraging all boaters to take the initiative to “check your boat before (and after) you float.” If we make this simple procedure a natural step in launching our boats, and share this habit with others, we will double our efforts in preventing the spread of unwanted aquatic plants!

The Friends CBI program is funded by a combination of sources, including donations by local lake associations, surrounding towns, Friend’s member donations and grant funding from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection via sales of the Maine Milfoil Sticker, and a grant received from the Ram Island Conservation Fund of Maine Community Foundation. The program is also funded by several area business sponsors, including: Knowlton Hewins & Roberts Funeral Homes, Smart Eyecare Center, Kristie Rowell Insurance Services and LA Harley. For more information on Invasive Aquatic Plants or the Friends Courtesy Boat Inspector program, please call the Friends office at 621-4100.

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• A milfoil public meeting is planned for Tuesday, June 26 at 6 pm at the Maine Lakes Resource Center in Belgrade Lakes Village. 512-5554

• Lunch with an Artist, Matthew Alden Price, on Wednesday, June 27, noon-1 pm at the SpinOff Studio, 184 Water Street, Hallowell. Free, bring your own lunch. 629-9020

• Live Music all day at RB Hall Day on June 30 at Old Fort Western in Augusta with Maine Community Bands. Bring a blanket, free.

• Kids Day in Capitol Park with dozens of exhibits, characters, entertainment, food and more will be held on Saturday, June 30 from 10 am-4 pm. 623-4559

JULY

• The 9th Annual Friends on the 4th 5K Run, Jog & Walk, sponsored by Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed starts at 8 am at Norcross Point in Winthrop. 621-4100

• On Thursday, July 5 at 7 pm a lecture on Bear Rehabilitation with Dawn Brown from the Second Chance Wildlife, Inc. will be held at the Maine Lakes Resource Center. It is sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance. 495-6039

• The PFBE, CPA's 3rd annual race will be on Sunday, July 8. The 1/2 Marathon, 5K Run-or-Walk in Oakland, will start at 8 am. Proceeds to benefit the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter. www.pfbf.com, 873-1603

• A Walking Tour of the Hallowell Waterfront with historians Sam Webber and Arthur Moore will be held on July 8, leaving from the Hallowell Boat Landing at 10 am.

• Simons & Goodwin will be the featured entertainment July 14, at 7 pm, at the Union Coffeehouse in Belgrade Lakes. An Open Mic

hour will follow. \$5 donation at the door.

• Farmington's Art in the Park/Upcountry Artists Show will be held on Friday, July 27, 8 am-8 pm at Meetinghouse Square, downtown Farmington.

AUGUST

• On Thursday, August 2, the 1st Annual Bluegrass & Barbecue Event, featuring The Gawler Family & Friends, will be held in Belgrade Lakes Village at Pete's Pig BBQ and the Spring Gallery Garden from 5-8 pm. Bring blankets and lawn chairs. Also, on August 2 "On Golden Pond" will be shown on the back of Day's Store after dark.

• Silly Songs and Stories with Stan Davis will be held on August 9 at the Belgrade Public Library at the annual Teddy Bear Picnic. The Center for All Seasons, 10:30 am.

• Thursday, August 9 is the Children's Day program at the Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation, featuring "The Legend of the Banana Kid," presented by the Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers, at 2 pm. 946-5311

• "Historic Vaughan Woods," a walking tour of the Vaughan Woods in Hallowell with a trained naturalist, sponsored by the Vaughan Homestead Foundation will be held on August 12 at 1 pm 



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– Conservation Too –

The 2012 field season began early this year with above normal temperatures and an early spring. Work that comes in “off the street” and isn’t part of an existing program seems to have increased this spring. We like to think that this is a sign of an improving economy but only time will tell.

The District would like to welcome some new faces to the Kennebec County conservation scene as leadership at some of our partnering organizations has changed recently. Each year we work closely with our partners to bring conservation work to Kennebec County. The list of organizations we work with varies from year to year but there are some groups we work closely with each year. The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed and the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance are two such groups.

The Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance (BRCA) welcomes Charlie Baeder as their new Executive Director. Charlie has worked with the District on many projects over the years and is a

familiar face for us. Currently we are working with BRCA to implement the second year of the Long Pond/Great Pond Water Quality Improvement Grant through Maine DEP. Last year the District assisted BRCA with many of the technical aspects of the project and created upwards of 15 gravel road management plans. This year, another 10 plans are scheduled as well as other work aimed at improving water quality on Long and Great Ponds. Recently we have also partnered with Charlie and BRCA on preparing grant applications for future projects.

The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed has quickly become one of the most successful watershed organizations in Maine. Their educational programs, led by Tamara Whitmore, are top notch and like BRCA, Friends operates a Youth Conservation Crops each year addressing problem sites in the watershed. This spring, John Blouin takes over as Executive Director of the organization. John is well known in the Central Maine area for his career in the family car business. He also grew up on

Cobbossee Lake and has served on the Friends Board of Directors for several years. The District looks forward to our continued work with the Friends and partnering with John and Tamara on many projects.

Rain, Rain, Rain

The last couple of weeks have been wet ones and our lakes, rivers, streams and ponds are swelling well beyond their banks. Obviously, with heavy rains, runoff and stormwater increase dramatically often leading to soil erosion. Now is a great time to check around your property to see where your water flows and how it can be slowed or diverted into a more stable area. The District provides technical assistance to help you design solutions to your soil and water issues so don’t hesitate to call.



Articles contributed by the Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District in Augusta. 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

Boats Banned from Great Meadow Stream, Portion of Great Pond

BELGRADE – As boating season begins, the Maine Departments of Environmental Protection and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife are reminding recreationists of a temporary ban of all boats on Great Meadow Stream and a portion of Great Pond in the Belgrade Lakes Region to enable effective control efforts of a variable leaf milfoil infestation on the popular waterway.

The expanded surface use restriction extends from where Route 225 crosses Great Meadow Stream in Rome and Smithfield southward into the northern portion of North Bay in Great Pond. It went into effect in April and will continue through September 21.

Buoys labeled “Area Closed,” deployed and maintained by DEP with assistance from the Maine Department of Conservation’s Boating Facilities Division, mark the southern boundary of the restriction.

By the order, signed by DEP Commissioner Patricia Aho and IFW Commissioner Chandler Woodcock, no watercraft may enter or travel these waterways except in emergency situations or when state officials and endorsed partners are doing survey or removal work related to the variable leaf milfoil infestation.

Starting September 22, non-motorized watercraft including kayaks and canoes will be allowed in those waterways, but motorized craft will remain prohibited through the year’s end.

The state anticipates the surface use restriction will limit the spread of the plant, which is Maine’s most common aquatic invasive and accounts for 17 of the 23 infested lake systems documented in Maine. The restriction will also allow DEP staff and local partners including the Belgrade Lakes Association and Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance safe space to do plant removal work.

“Temporary surface use restrictions are a rarely-used but integral tool to tackle invasives and their devastating impact. We are confident that this short-term inconvenience will have a long-term payoff in protecting Great Pond’s water quality, habitat for native fisheries and wildlife, recreational opportunities and values of lakefront property,” said John McPhedran, director of the DEP’s Invasive Aquatic Plants program.

In Maine’s largely successful fight against invasive aquatic plants, prevention is the priority. The most effective prevention effort continues to be the Courtesy Boat Inspection Program, through which the DEP contracts with the Lakes

Environmental Association and the Maine Congress of Lake Associations to train volunteers and organize a statewide inspection program. In 2011, these trained inspectors conducted 76,105 inspections on 116 waterbodies, making 287 saves that stopped the spread mostly of variable leaf milfoil plant fragments.

In an effort to bolster the Courtesy Boat Inspection Program, DEP encourages all boaters to commit to self-inspecting their boat and related equipment, which takes just a few minutes and should be conducted both before and after a boat floats. Boaters should check for and remove any found plant debris from the anchor, lines, live well, bilge, motor prop, all fishing gear and their trailer and related equipment including the hitch, trailer axle and license plate.

For more information on the Maine Department of Environmental Protection’s Invasive Aquatic Species Program and steps you can take to prevent plant invasion, visit www.maine.gov/dep/water/invasives. To report a suspicious plant population and/or receive information on how to send a specimen of concern to the department for identification, call (207) 287-3901 or email milfoil@maine.gov.



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— The Small Garden Guide — CSA: Community Supporting Arts



Community Supporting Arts is a program designed to highlight Maine's artists and its farming communities, as they are both vibrant, idealistic groups key to the state's unique sense of place. The project started with the belief of the Kennebec Valley Art Association that artists can use the power of their artistic voices to effect social change.

KVAA has paired 14 artists with 13 CSA (Community Supporting Agriculture) Farms in and around central Maine. Since March, the artists have been creating art inspired by their farmers' lives, work, landscapes, challenges and ideals. They'll be doing this through the full cycle of the 2012 growing season.

In addition to an exhibition featuring all 14 artists and their farms at the Harlow Gallery in Hallowell in October, the Harlow will produce a book showing work from the CSA artists at the exhibition hall at the 2012 Common Ground Fair on September 21-23 in Unity, have additional exhibitions focusing on select artist/farmer pairs at partner venues in Central Maine between November 2012 and February 2013, and host a local food celebration at the Vaughn Homestead in Hallowell in October.



CSA: Community Supporting Arts has been made possible by generous grants from the Davis Family Foundation and from the Maine Community Foundation and is funded in part by a grant from the Maine Arts Commission, an independent state agency supported by the National Endowment for the Arts. Exhibitions and events at the Harlow Gallery have been made possible by The Bank of Maine, Dead River Company, Kennebec Savings Bank, the Quimby Family Foundation, Mr. Brooks Harlow Jr. and the City of Hallowell.

A final \$3,000 of the project budget is needed to make it all happen by July 1, 2012. Donations may be given online at www.indiegogo.com/CSA-Community-Supporting-Arts. For more information call the Kennebec Valley Art Association at 622-3813.



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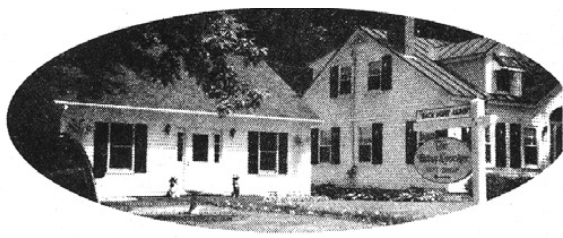
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The Closing of the Brass Knocker

After 65 years, the Brass Knocker Gift Shop is closing. The gift shop started in the dining room of my parents' home at the suggestion of my father (Albert). He had seen all the folks walking the town from the Old Belgrade Hotel, the Lakeshore and the Locust House. My mother had quit teaching when my dad returned from the war and was a new mother with a new baby and bored. She was a Phi Beta Kappa grad from Colby and needed something to keep her occupied. The shop grew to take over the entire first floor of our house with the exception of the kitchen. When Paul Provandie renovated the Locust House to become the Village Inn he invited my mother to move the shop "downtown". It remained there until 1998 when my dad died. The owners of the Inn had decided to convert the space back in to lodging rooms. At 80, Mother was too young to give up her shop, so that winter she built the current building to house the shop. In hindsight it was a blessing in disguise as it allowed her to keep an active role in the shop until she died.....and it gave birth to Lydia's geese and all their costumes!

In 1951 my parents started going to Florida for with winter and a large part of the endeavor was The Brass Knocker Gift Shop in Boca Raton, Florida that she ran until 1981 when she "retired". Of course, that meant she would still keep her Maine shop. The Florida shop started as a seasonal shop but after three or four years was going full time. Each summer we would come home to Maine and our staff in Florida became trusted friends as well.

There were two things that Mother wanted as she began to decline these last couple of years. She wanted to be able to stay in her own home (s)! and also to keep her gift shop. Last summer she was able to wash, arrange and get the shop ready on her own before her decline progressed to the point of her being able to be in the shop for just a few minutes at a time during the day. I'm



The Brass Knocker shop in Belgrade Lakes.

sure you remember the story we told at the funeral of Mother making it in to the shop the very last day the shop was open and the very last customer coming over and showing Mother what she had purchased and telling how much she always loved the shop! Two days later Mother finally gave in.

It is just not possible to run the shop the way my mother would have wanted it to be carried on with me still running my own business in Portsmouth. So, we have decided to close the shop and will be selling the inventory over the next month or so. We will start with 25% off for the weekend of June 16/17 and June 23/24 and be open from 11-3 both days. We will open June 29th for about two and a half weeks and hope to have things closed down by July 15th or so. Our plan (subject to change !) is to be open from 11-3 each day. The family has decided to tithe the June sales in Lydia's memory with the funds going to the Trustees of the Union Church memorial fund.

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Expressions

“The Little Prince” Opens at Monmouth

Monmouth, Maine –Theater at Monmouth’s Summer Children’s Show, *The Little Prince* will open June 23 through August 17, 2012.

The Little Prince tells the story of an aviator forced to make an emergency landing in the Sahara Desert. He is befriended by a young boy, the Little Prince from Asteroid B-612. In the days that follow, the aviator learns about the prince’s journeys throughout the solar system. As he travels through space, the Little Prince encounters several strange grown-ups on different planetoids, all with a skewed way of looking at life. But it is not until he finally reaches Earth that the Little Prince learns his most important life lessons of all. As the Little Prince shares his adventures through the galaxy he helps the Aviator to understand, “It is only with the heart that one can see rightly.”

Since publication, the book has been adapted for radio, stage, and screen. In 1974, Richard Burton won a Grammy Award for his narration. That same year, a film musical adaptation by Lerner and Lowe was released featuring Gene Wilder as The Fox and Bob Fosse as The Snake. The Adventures of the Little Prince, a Japanese anime series aired in Japan in 1978 as Hoshi no jisama Puchi Purinsu. In 2009, the book was adapted into Hindi and staged as solo play by Indian actress Rashi Bunny.

The adaptation for the stage by Rick Cummins and John Scoullar is based on the 1943 classic book by Antoine de Saint Exupéry. *The Little Prince* is the most read and translated book in the French language. Translated into more than 250 languages and dialects, it has become one of the best-selling books ever published.

Following each performance, members of the audience will have an opportunity to talk with the actors outside of Cumston Hall.

TAM’s production will be directed by Brooke Edwards and features Matthew Delamater as the Aviator, Winthrop-native Anna Doyle as the Little Prince, Max Waszak as the adults the Little Prince encounters throughout the galaxy, and Carissa Meagher as the Prince’s beloved Rose. Sets by Luke Reinwald; costumes by Kenny Lamb; lights by Xi Chen; sound by Jason Fok.

Performance calendar: June 23 & 30; July 7, 14 & 31; August 2, 7, 12, 16 & 17. All shows at 1 p.m. Running time is 50 minutes. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$9 for children. Discounts available for groups of ten or more. For calendar and reservations, please contact the TAM Box Office at 207.933.9999 or visit www.theateratmonmouth.org.



Matthew Russ Exhibit to Benefit the Maine Lakes Resource Center



Maine landscape painter Matthew Russ will exhibit recent work from the Kennebec Highlands at the Maine Lakes Resource Center on Main Street in Belgrade Lakes Village. The exhibition will open on Sunday, July 1 and will run until Sunday, July 22. The artist will give a talk about his work on Sunday, July 8 at 4:00 p.m., with a reception to follow.

Matthew Russ is a 1996 graduate of Colby College and resident of Waterville. Russ draws inspiration from the landscape of the Kennebec Highlands, where he paints in the field year-round, often backpacking into remote sites to execute his paintings. For more information about the artist, including images of recent work, please visit www.matthewruss.com.

A percentage of sales from the exhibition will benefit the Maine Lakes Resource Center, a 3,500 square-foot building on Main Street in Belgrade Lakes Village, whose lead partners are the Belgrade Lakes Association, the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, the Maine Congress of Lake Associations, and Colby College. The center emphasizes information and instruction towards making conservation a tradition in the Belgrade Lakes region and beyond. For more information about the center, please visit www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org.



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Fishing

Loons, Lightning & Fish

by Mike Guarino



Mother loon sitting on her nest

The female loons have started sitting on their nests already. This seems early, but then again everything is a little early this year. The first nest I saw was on Friday, May 18. We could hear the female loon making a “hoot” call, followed by the male hooting back. The “hoot” call is very specific and not very loud. The loons use it to stay in contact with each other and you’ll hear it often when you come upon a nesting site. It’s hard to describe, but it sounds like the loon is softly calling out a “hoo – woo – whao” noise. They also use this call after the chicks are born to keep them close to the nest or to find their location if they start bobbing around. So as we came around the point in this quiet and calm backwater, we could hear this soft calling and I figured there must be a loon nesting somewhere close by. I’ve never seen a nest in this area before, but sure enough the female was hiding in the bushes just off the shoreline. I took a picture of her and attached it with this article. It will be very interesting to monitor her progress while keeping my distance at all times. She has a lot of work to do protecting her chicks and the last thing she needs is some nosy fishermen bugging her all the time! All we can hope is that all this rain will not wash her eggs into the water. This happens often with loons because they nest so close to the shoreline. I’ll keep you posted on her progress.

The fishing this past week was amazing! We focused mostly on bass and pike, but some of my friends have been fishing the Kennebec River in Waterville and Augusta for striped bass. The river is full of alewives right now and they bring the stripers up from the ocean. As for the Belgrades, they are prime-time right now for a wide variety of

fish. Smallmouth bass are on their nests now, so we try to leave the bedded bass alone. I don’t like to stress them out too much this time of year, but the females are close by the beds and are biting plastic worms, tubes and jigs. We didn’t get to use too much topwater last week because of the windy conditions, but the next calm day ... WATCH OUT! Largemouth bass are starting to bed on North and East Pond, making for some exciting fishing too. Fishermen who are good at casting a jig accurately can sight fish the largemouth and catch some real trophies this time of year. White perch fishermen are having a blast catching big humpbacks on all the lakes right now. Large schools of perch are cruising the shoreline and once an angler finds a school they can easily catch a bunch for a chowder or fish fry. Lastly, the delicious black crappie has moved shallow and anglers should take advantage of this beautiful fish. Crappie like to hold up in fallen timber or overhanging trees this time of year. They will also be along weed edges on dark bottom coves. This is prime spawning habitat for them. Salmon Lake and McGrath Pond are excellent choices if you’d like to chase down some black crappie.

Here’s the scenario for the following story: a cancelled fishing trip, some good planning, a lot of rain, and lightning with an attitude. Add to that list a lucky but petrified fishing guide and you have one scary day on the water. If you read this column often, you’ll notice that I talk about lightning and safety a lot. Partly because one of my biggest fears in life is lightning, but also because it’s a good forum to talk about safety issues. This time I didn’t practice what I preach and it almost cost me. The



Paul Hannon from Sandwich, Mass with a giant Belgrade smallmouth.

day was going to be awesome and I was excited about the fishing trip because I was taking out a good friend of mine and his young son. But we had to cancel the trip due to bad weather. Fortunately, I’d driven my truck and trailer to the boat launch the night before so I could pull the boat after our trip was over. That piece of planning might have saved me (and my boat) from further damage. When I left my dock that morning to pull the boat it was only raining and very windy, but the weather service did issue a severe thunderstorm warning for our area. I tried to outrun the storm and get to the boat launch ... but the storm beat me there. The lightning was amazing; it was everywhere cracking loudly right over my head. I got to the boat launch, quickly secured the boat to the dock, and ran to my truck, only to remember that I left the keys to the vehicle back in the boat! One more lap back and forth and I was safely shaking inside the truck. I ended up sitting in the vehicle for about an hour and a half waiting out the lightning storm that knocked out power to most of our area. With that, I hope everyone will be careful this summer on the water and heed the weather warnings. Let’s hope this close call will be the only one for all of us this year. Good luck this week!

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Pet World

If we spend enough time with our pets, eventually we all have that long night with an itchy dog or cat. Thump, thump, thump, scritch, scritch, scritch, lick, lick, lick - no one gets much sleep. You feel bad for your pet, you feel bad for your sleep-deprived self, and more often than not, there is a SMELL involved. For some pets this is a short episode that may last only a couple of days or weeks; for others, it's a way of life. For many dogs, summer is prime itchy time.

For every itchy (and smelly) dog or cat we see, we need to identify WHAT is making them itch. This usually involves a potpourri of bacteria, yeast, parasites, skin oils and other discharges. For the most part, getting these under control can be done with a combination of shampoos, topical treatments and, at times, antibiotics and other medications. The longer the problem has persisted however, the more issues become involved. For example, a dog with a simple superficial bacterial skin infection who stays in the water all day and chews all night, can often end up with a more dramatic skin infection known as a hot spot. There are only so many things that usually make the skin raw, itchy and nasty - when I examine an itchy pet, the WHAT is usually apparent.

The harder question to answer for many itchy dogs is WHY they ended up with the WHAT. Often the cause is clear. For example, fleas, insect bites, being wet too long, or a cut, bite or scratch might be the culprit. When the WHY is not as apparent, we need to "dig deeper" to identify the cause. What lies beneath can include allergies (including food allergies or allergies to almost anything in their world), hormonal imbalances, small parasites we cannot see (such as sarcoptic mange mites), and some uncommon issues that crop up only rarely (e.g. diseases of the immune system or cer-

O My Itchy Dog!

tain types of skin cancer). Identifying and treating the WHY can often be the frustrating part, for most of these reasons just don't go away on their own. Often we can make a pet happier for a while just by treating the WHAT he has, but if we don't address the WHY, he'll be back itching again.

There are some nasty infections that affect the skin on the entire body of a dog or cat, but some of the worst problems affect only certain parts. For instance, the ears are a common spot for itchy misery on an allergic dog, or a dog with mange. Left untreated over time, more and more organisms get involved in the misery which is a canine ear infection. Another serious and painful outcome from a lot of itching, digging and licking is a raw, open bleeding area on the skin known as the "hot spot". Quickly, a hot spot can spread like a wildfire across the skin, causing more extensive damage and pain. Both ear infections and hot spots need prompt attention. Of course, as we begin to treat the WHAT, we also must take into account the WHY the dog ended up with the hot spot, ear infection, assorted skin bumps or rash.

Fortunately, with prompt attention, the majority of itchy dogs and cats can be given relief quickly. For those whose WHY is more involved, more extensive diagnostic tests, labwork, regular follow ups, and longer term treatment may be necessary to get to the bottom of things. A lot of folks want a quick and lasting fix to the itch. In reality, treating itchy pets can be trying and require a lot of perseverance and patience. But take heart, there is usually a WHAT that can be treated to give them relief while we are getting to the bottom of the WHY they itch and scritch and lick.



Pet World, a bi-weekly column by Dr. Eleanor Sabeau, or Dr. Jennie Marvelle. They can be reached at Lakeside Veterinary Clinic lakevets@roadrunner.com or by phone at 465-7387

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Highlight presentations of the conference include: keynote speaker Dr. Kathleen P. Bell who will address "The Economic Value of Maine Lakes;" Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Patricia Aho who will discuss the department's lake protection programs; and Maine Poet Laureate Wesley McNair who will read selections from his book, "My New England."



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10:10	Morning Break
10:30	LakeSmart GOLD Awards
10:45	DEP Commissioner Patricia Aho
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