

When Heroes Come Home

by Esther J. Perne

hen heroes come home to small town America, to Belgrade, Maine, for example, the whole world – their world in that small town – stops and gathers for the welcoming home.







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Relatives and friends, groups they were part of and strangers who believe in meeting and thanking returnees are all cast together, hesitant about finding the right words to say but sure of the right action to show, which is simply and sincerely – a hug.

When heroes come home to small town America, to a community as quiet and work-oriented as Belgrade, Maine they are heroes because the people who step forward to greet them and the children who timidly stand behind appreciate and understand that they have gone to difficult areas of the world.



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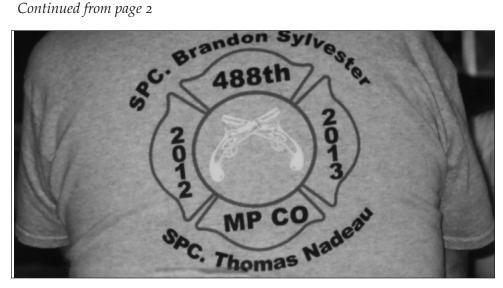
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Two "soldiers" came home to Belgrade this week, Brandon Sylvester and Tom Nadeau, members of a National Guard unit stationed in Afghanistan for a tour. They were met by fire trucks and escorted by state police to the Belgrade Lakes Fire Station where banners and photo ops and hugs - ruled the reception and where some very happy people were glad Brandon and Tom are home.

Tomorrow – or next week – they will pick up the threads of small town life, resume their active membership with the Belgrade Fire Department, look for work – and other life adventures and goals.

Where would the world be without small town America, without Belgrade, Maine, without the heroes?



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Pet World

Perhaps the most memorable encounter your pet has had with wildlife is a late night visit from a skunk. This leaves an indelible memory and a smell that lingers for some weeks. Cats tend to be smarter than dogs when it comes to approaching these little black-and-white nocturnal friends, but are not immune to being sprayed. However, wild animals who live alongside people can pose more of a risk to our domesticated friends than a noxious smell.

Another common and unforgettable interaction between pets and wildlife is a porcupine encounter. Again, cats seem to be less likely to really look closely at these prickly visitors but the pain and problems that come from a porcupine quilling can be long-lasting. Unfortunately, contrary to popular belief and wishful thinking, most dogs do not "learn" from an encounter and many will be more aggressive in trying to eliminate the porcupine each time they encounter one. Porcupines are more active at night, so when letting your dog out for that bedtime potty break, be on the lookout.

A popular myth that does not hold true is that quills should be cut before being pulled from a pet. This is actually not helpful and should not be attempted. In fact, unless the quills are few and not deeply seated, it is invariably worth seeking emergency care (including sedation) to have them removed sooner than later. So many people struggle for hours to pull quills from their painful and crazed pet only to have to bring them in to the vet anyway to have the last few deeply embedded quills removed. The longer quills are in a dog, the harder they can be to get out. The end of the quill has a barb that becomes tightly attached in the tissue once it starts to swell. And they hurt.

These types of interaction are all too plain to see.

Pets and Wildlife

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However, wild life such as foxes, racoons and coyotes also carry other risks for pets that are not so visible and obvious. Dogs can contract a very itchy skin parasite known as sarcoptic mange from wild canids. Many dogs are exposed to intestinal parasites such as *Giardia*, which can be found in ground water, and whipworms that can be left in the soil from the stool of wild animals. Both can cause bad diarrhea in pets. Dogs are notoriously unselective about what they put in their mouths. It is very possible for a dog to infect itself with parasites in this manner; some of these worms, such as hookworm and roundworm larvae, can survive in the soil and are also a risk to people, especially children.

Monthly deworming with a heartworm preventative such as Heartgard can reduce the risk to children as well as pets. Frequent fecal checks and other routine deworming, particularly in outdoor cats that hunt, is strongly recommended. Cats love a nice clean sandbox or tilled soil and will not hesitate to use them as litter. Covering sandboxes when not in use is a good idea, as is wearing gloves when gardening.

One of the most serious infections of roundworms in people comes from a worm known as *Baylisascaris Procyonis*, carried by racoons. This nasty parasite can also infect dogs, whose feces can then infect people. When ingested inadvertantly by a child, larvae of this roundworm can cause serious damage to a child's nervous system, damage to the eye that can result in blindness, and neurologic damage that can be fatal.

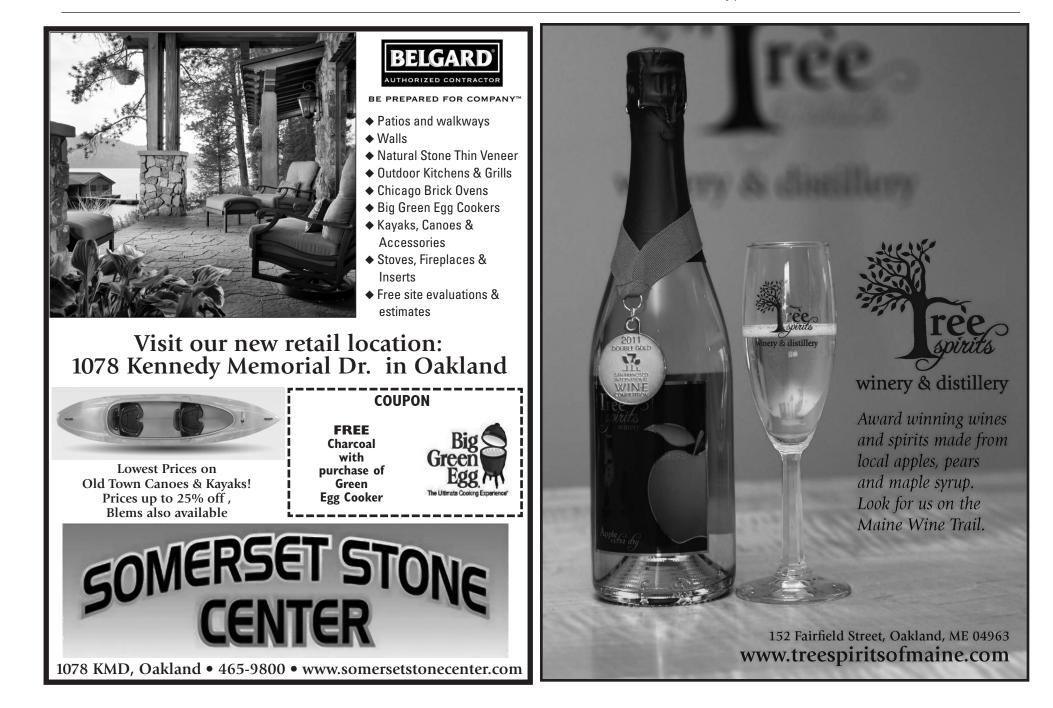
As cute as racoons can be, it is best to discourage their visits; for instance, don't leave trash available for them to raid near your home. If you discover a racoon latrine near your home, discourage children and pets from going near it, or find a way to safely remove the soil. These parasites are very hard to destroy one they have contaminated soil. Teaching and reminding children to wash their hands well after playing outside takes on a new importance.

Racoons, skunks, bats, foxes in this area are also carriers of the deadly rabies virus. In 2012 there were 85 confirmed cases of rabies in Maine (including 4 cats and one dog); 14 of these were in Kennebec County. Animals who may be carrying rabies act oddly. They may be fearless and "mad", or they may be uncharacteristically friendly and be out at times of the day when normally we would not see them. It's so important to counsel children to never approach wildlife.

Fortunately, for our pets, there is a safe and effective vaccine that should protect them if they do encounter an animal with rabies. There should be no excuse for not getting pets vaccinated for rabies. The first rabies shot for dogs should be given as early as 12 weeks of age, then at one year, and then every three years after that. Most cats are vaccinated at 12 weeks and then annually thereafter. People with indoor cats should also vaccinate for rabies because rabid wildlife is not selective as to where it goes. In this area, one woman had a rabid racoon come though her dryer vent into her home; another had a rabid fox come in through the dog door. Bats are commonly encountered in the house and cats catch them. They can be carriers of rabies. Vaccinating not only protects your pet, but also your family.

One of the advantages of living in this beautiful area is that we get to enjoy nature in all it's glory. However, we still must be aware of the risks that wild animals who live alongside us can carry for our domesticated pets. Vigilance, routine vaccination and deworming are good steps on the way to making sure that the risks of potential interactions between our pets and wildlife are minimized.

Pet World, is a bi-weekly column by Dr.Eleanor Sabean. She can be reached at Lakeside Veterinary Clinic lakevets@roadrunner.com or by phone at 465-7387



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Conservation -

When lake lovers, lake dwellers and the lake-curious gather at Colby College on Saturday, June 22 for the 2013 Maine Lakes Conference sponsored by the Maine Congress of Lake Associations, the focus will be What Do Lakes Reveal About Climate Change?

Recent studies by the University of Maine Climate Institute and the University of Maine at Farmington have looked at physical and biological indicators in Maine's lakes to gain knowledge about the changing climate in areas such as:

How much earlier is ice out occurring? What signals are lakes sending about the effects of extremely variable weather, including more frequent and intense storms, longer periods of drought, hotter temperatures and less snowmelt? How will these changes affect the Common Loon? Other species? Can programs like LakeSmart help? Is water quality monitoring gathering the information lake communities want and need?

From 7:30 am until 3:30 pm, news, networking, workshops, presentations, and breakout sessions will deal with these concerns and many more. The agenda will also include a review of the new direction the Maine Congress of Lake Associations will be taking, the introduction of the new Executive Director, a silent auction, and a box lunch.

The conference will take place in the Diamond building. Registration is \$15. For more information www.mainecola.org or call 495-2301.

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8:30 - 8:45 am Welcome and Conference Preview MC Senator Thomas Saviello

8:45 - 9:10 am New Directions for Maine COLA Steve Kahl, President, Maine COLA

9:10 - 10:00 am Lakes as Sentinels and Integrators of Climate Change Dr. Dan Buckley, University of Maine Farmington/COLA Science Advisor Dr. Julia Dailey, University of Maine Farmington

10:00 - 10:20 am Happenings in Augusta Pete Didisheim, Advocacy Director, NRCM

10:20 - 10:50 am Break & Student Posters/Vendor Session

10:50 - 11:50 am More on New Directions for COLA/Annual Meeting

11:50 - 1:00 pm Lunch Box Lunch and Networking in the Diamond Building

1:00 - 3:00 pm Afternoon Sessions

Time

1:00 1:55

2:00 2:55

3:00 3:30

What's in the Water?	Proactive Lake Protection	Maine Lakes & Climate Change
Monitoring Your Lake- Beyond the Secchi Disk Reading Colin Holm, LEA	How to be LakeSmart in 2013 Maggie Shannon, COLA	Climate Change and Maine Lakes Roy Bouchard, COLA
Nutrient Enrichment & Toxic Algae Blooms Dr. Jim Haney, UNH	Gravel Road Management Plans & Federal Changes to 319 Josh Platte, KCSWCD Norm Marcotte, Maine DEP	Climate Change and Loons TBD
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• Farmers' Market at the Arboretum, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm

Capitol Complex, 230 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, 287-5600, 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.mainestatemuseum.org

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

Riverfront/Downtown/Water Street

• 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.

University of Maine at Augusta, University Drive

• Danforth Gallery, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234,

BELGRADE LAKES

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

• Spring Gallery, cast bronze display at MLRC, 495-3113, www.springgallerymaine.com, 171 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, 7:30 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.mainelakesresourcecenter.org, 171 Main St.

FAIRFIELD

• Fairfield Historical Society, 1890 Cotton-Smith History House, Tue 9 am-12 noon, 1-4 pm, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalsociety.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, www.lilliannordica.com, 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.

• Monkitree, art exhibits, Tues-Fri 10 am-6 pm, Sat 12-6 pm, 512-4679, 263 Water St.

Kennebec River

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

GREENE

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HALLOWELL

• Harlow Gallery, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813, www.harlowgallery.org Wed-Sat, open 12 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 3-6 pm, Water St.
- Vaughn Woods, 166 acre park/trails, Middle St.

• Kennebec River Rail Trail, www.krrt.org, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water St.

• Waterfront Park, weekly summer concerts, Tues 7 pm, North Water St.

HINCKLEY

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

KINGFIELD

• Reinhart Gallery Art Center, 266-8458, 245 Main St,

www.ianreinholt.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 photographs, violins and 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.

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

• Farmers' Market, 582-3100, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org,

Wed 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common

• Kennebec River Rail Trail, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, access

near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta

• Waterfront Park, picnicking, events throughout summer,

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

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NEW PORTLAND

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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

• Oosoola 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

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• 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, Somerset 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.sunsetcamps.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.watervillefarmersmarket.org, The Concourse parking lot.

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• East Pond Association, Smithfield/Oakland, www.eastpond.org

 North Pond Association, Smithfield/Rome/Mercer, 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, 171 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 512-5150, www.belgradelakesassociation.com

 Friends of Messalonskee Lake Watershed, Oakland/Belgrade/Sidney, PO Box 532, Oakland, 04963, 547-3710, www.snowpond.org

• Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance and BRCA Conservation Corps, PO Box 250, 171 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.belgradelakesmaine.com

 Maine Lakes Resource Center/Docks to Doorways, PO Box 431, 171 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3617, 620-6029, www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org

BEYOND...

• Maine Congress of Lake Associations (COLA), PO Box 426, 171 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.franklincswcd.org

 Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District, 21 Enterprise Dr, Augusta, 04330, 622-7847, ext. 3, www.kcswcd.org

• Kennebec Land Trust (KLT), PO Box 261, 134 Main St, Winthrop, 04364, 377-2848, www.tklt.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, PO Box 132, Mt Vernon, 04352, 670-7298, www.30mileriver.org

• Parker Pond Association, Mount Vernon/Vienna. www.parkerpond.org

• Sidney Historical Society, 547-3142, http://www.rootsweb • Silver Spur Riding Club, horse shows, www.silverspurmaine.com/, River Rd/Rt 104

SKOWHEGAN

• Margaret Chase Smith Library, residence, home, museum

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...Thursday 6/20 through Sunday 6/23 -"The Game's Afoot," murder mystery comedy, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...Friday 6/21 through Sunday 6/23 - 17th Annual Maine Antique Tractor Club Festival, games, pulls, auction, crafters, vendors and more, parade Saturday at noon, for camping information call 778-2157, www.maineantiquetractorclub.com, Fairgrounds, Farmington.

...Friday 6/21 through Sunday 6/23 - "No Sex Please, We're British," farce, \$12 adults, \$10 students and seniors, 626-3698, Gaslight Theater, Hallowell City Hall, Winthrop Street, Hallowell.

...Friday 6/21 - Seaplane Rides, by appointment only, \$89, 10 am and 1:30 pm, 859-0109, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

....Saturday 6/22 - Maine Lakes Conference "Sentinels of Change: What Do Lakes Reveal About Climate Change," 7 am-3:30 pm, \$15 includes food, materials, exhibits, prizes, register at Congress of Lake Associations www.mainecola.org, 1-855-463-2652, Diamond Building, Colby College, Waterville.

....Saturday 6/22 – Greater Gardiner Riverfest, events all day, downtown and on the Kennebec River, sales, children's activities, crafts, Coast Guard Vessel tours, food, music, carnival, Talent Show, Fireworks, 8 am-dark, Water Street and Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

....Saturday 6/22 - New England Paint Horse Club Show, public welcome, covered arena, concessions, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Skowhegan.

....Saturday 6/22 – Mega Huge Indoor Yard Sale, to benefit Literacy Volunteers of Franklin and Somerset Counties, 9 am-3 pm, 778-3460, Mount Blue High School, Farmington.

...Saturday 6/22 - Seaplane Rides, 10 am and 1:30 pm, \$89, by appointment only, 859-0109, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

...Saturday 6/22 – Indoor Yard, Craft & Bake Sale, 8 am-4 pm, 622-0552, South Parish Congregational Church, Augusta.

....Saturday 6/22 – Learn to Play Petanque, rain date 6/23, 622-3389, Mill Park, Augusta.

....Saturday 6/22 - Lost Ladybugs, children's program, explore the lovely ladybug, take photos, learn how to be a citizen scientist, 10 am and 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...Saturday 6/22 - Town of Canaan 225th Birthday Parade, 10 am, down Main Street, all groups welcome to participate, 474-2360, Route 2, Canaan

...Saturday 6/22 – Smithfield Historical Society Open House, 11 am-1 pm, 362-5340, Groves House, 21 Lakeview Drive, Smithfield.

...Saturday 6/22 - Pie On The Porch, entertainment, storytelling, pies, bread pudding, cold beverages, \$4, 1-5 pm, Old South Church, 227 Main Street, Farmington.

...Saturday 6/22 - Rock Against Lyme, in honor of Bill Chinnock, a benefit to promote lyme disease awareness, 3-7 pm in the parking lot, 9 pm-1 am in the night club, T&B's Outback Tavern, Jefferson Street, Waterville.

...Saturday 6/22 – Barbecue Buffet Supper, fee, 4:30-6 pm, 622-0552, South Parish Congregational Church, Augusta.

...Saturday 6/22 – "The Velveteen Rabbit," Children's Show, 7 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

...Sunday 6/23 – The 5th Annual Kennebec River Rail Trail Half Marathon, 5K, and Half Marathon Relay, 7:30 am, 622-9009, City Center, Old Fort Western Parking Lot, Augusta.

...Sunday 6/23 – KVBC Eleven Ponds Bicycle Ride, 14 and 29 miles, 9 am, hjmerrick@gmail.com, Mount Vernon.

...Sunday 6/23 - Hallowell Riverfront Festival, celebrating arts and wellness along the Kennebec, 11 am-4 pm, boardwalk, riverfront, 620-7477, Water Street, Hallowell.

... Monday 6/24 – Collections Care Free Workshop, with conservator Ron Harvey, two themes: "Caring For Your Collections on Exhibition," and "Continuing Crucial Conversations about Collections: A Roadmap to Exploring what you have, Discovering who you are, and Learning what you can do with it," 9 am-3 pm, \$9, pre-registration required 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...Monday 6/24 - Old Fort Western, Nation's oldest surviving wooden fort, open every day during the Whatever Family Festival, daily tours and demonstrations, 1-4 pm, 626-2385, Cony Street, Augusta.

...Monday 6/24 – Old Crow Band, 7-9:30 pm, Meeting House Park, Downtown Farmington.

... Tuesday 6/25 – Music on Main – Arizona Rose & the Rich Ric Band, free, 11:30 am - 1 pm, 778-3424, Meetinghouse Park Gazebo,

downtown Farmington.

...Tuesday 6/25 – "A Zero Waste World: Imagine That!" Chewonki Natural History Program, 2 pm, 495-6039, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, Lakes Resource Center, Belgrade Lakes.

... Tuesday 6/25 – Presentation by author Drew Barton, a biology professor at the University of Maine Farmington and coauthor of "The Changing Nature of the Maine Woods," 7 pm, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, 495-6039, Lakes Resource Center, Belgrade Lakes.

...Tuesday 6/26 – Rock On The River, 7-8:30 pm, 620-7477, Riverfront Boardwalk, Hallowell.

...Wednesday 6/26 – Summer Art Program, 1 pm, \$2 materials fee, 238-4250, \$7, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...Wednesday 6/26 – Public Supper, 5 pm til gone, \$8, Under 10 \$4, Fairview Grange, Route 8, Smithfield.

...Wednesday 6/26 – "Sharon Buick Dixon Road," Waterfront Wednesday Free Concert, concessions, activities for children, 7 pm, Waterfront Park, Downtown Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/26 through Saturday 6/29 - "The Game's Afoot," comedy, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

... Thursday 6/27 – Friends of the Maine State Museum Golf Tournament, to benefit the Maine State Museum, \$100 per golfer includes cart, greens fees, lunch, reception only \$20, scramble format, 10 am, 287-2304, Natanis Golf Course, Vassalboro.

... Thursday 6/27 – Summer History Program, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.



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Kennebec Messalonkee Trails Plans New Trail in Winslow

Messalonskee Trails gave the public its first look at a newly acquired parcel of land along the Kennebec in Winslow. The 42-acre parcel, donated to the trails organization by Madison Paper in March, will enable KMTrails to fill a gap in its trail network. The new "East Kennebec Trail" will take walkers, cyclists, and wheelchair users from downtown Winslow to the Rotary Centennial Trail, a smooth, dirt trail opened in 2005 that follows an old railbed in Winslow and Benton.

The newly acquired parcel was once used by Scott Paper for the storage and disposal of bark from logs that had been floated down the Kennebec River and taken out and debarked at the mill. The bark pile has since been overtaken by grass, shrubs, and trees. It is now indistinguishable from the natural hillside. Until now, this land has not been open to the public.

The new trail will run about two miles, starting at a parking area on Benton Avenue opposite Winslow Elementary School. The first few tenths of a mile are on Scale House Road, a paved, private road open to the public.

Trail users will pass through a gate and walk a few hundred feet across Hydro Kennebec's property to get the start of the KMTrails land. Hydro Kennebec, which operates a hydroelectric dam across the river, has already cleared brush from that corner of its land and is installing a new open gateway to the future trail and a fence to separate the trail access from the rest of its land. The dam owner is doing all of this at its own expense.

Like the Rotary trail, most of the new trail will run along a former rail line. The rails and the ties have long since been removed. The railbed was most recently used as a tote road, but even that has gone to grass. To avoid wetlands at the northern edge of the property, the trail will go around a field and wind through the woods before joining the Rotary Centennial Trail a few hundred feet from the latter trail's southern terminus at an old bridge abutment on the river.

Acquiring the land marks a new phase in the life of the trails organization, as the parcel is the first land that KMTrails has owned. All of its previous trails have been built either on public property or through negotiations with private landowners.

According to KMTrails, the development of the new trail is not just significant for Winslow, but for

by Gregor Smith

n June 1, National Trails Day, Kennebec Central Maine as a whole, as visitors from other towns and cities often visit the Kennebec Messalonskee Trails, the new trail, and already Messalonskee Trails. It will also become part of the East Coast Greenway, a set of trails, currently about 30% off-road, that connects urban centers from Key West, Florida to Calais, Maine.

For more information about Kennebec existing network of walking and bicycling trails in Waterville, Winslow, Fairfield, Oakland, and Benton, visit www.kmtrails.org or call the organization's president, Peter Garrett, at 873–6443.



The new trail could someday look like the Rotary Centennial Trail, to which it will connect.



The new trail will follow an old railbed. The clearing at left could become a picnic spot.

Family Classic Comes to Life in **World Premiere Adaptation**

Theater at Monmouth's summer Family Show you, then you become Real." In this heart-L opens June 22 at 7 p.m. with a world premiere warming tale for the whole family, the comproduction of Margery Williams' The Velveteen Rabbit. Adapted by Dawn McAndrews, Velveteen Rabbit tells the story of a toy Rabbit, given as a gift to a young Boy, who yearns for the day the Boy will choose her so that she can become real.

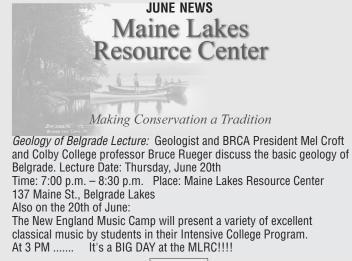
Rocking Horse, the wisest of all the toys in as "a timeless story about the magic of the nursery. "It's a thing that happens to childhood and its ability to transcend realiyou. When a child loves you for a long, long ty with pure and uninhibited love," adding time, not just to play with, but REALLY loves that "this production is told through the

bination of love, devotion, and a little bit of "nursery magic" transform a beloved sawdust-filled toy into a Real rabbit.

Brooke Edwards returns to TAM for her second season as director of the Family "Real isn't how you are made," says the Show. She describes The Velveteen Rabbit Continued on page 16...

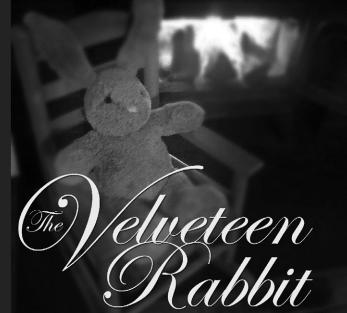
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9 am-4 pm

10 am-12 pm

10 am-4 pm

10 am-4 pm

11 am-4 pm

11 am-10 pm

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Dusk

The Greater Gardiner River Festival. The kick-off event to the legendary Whatever Festival in the Augusta area, the Gardiner celebration begins at 9 am and ends after dark. Historic Water Street in downtown Gardiner and the Riverfront

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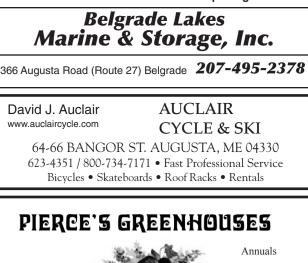
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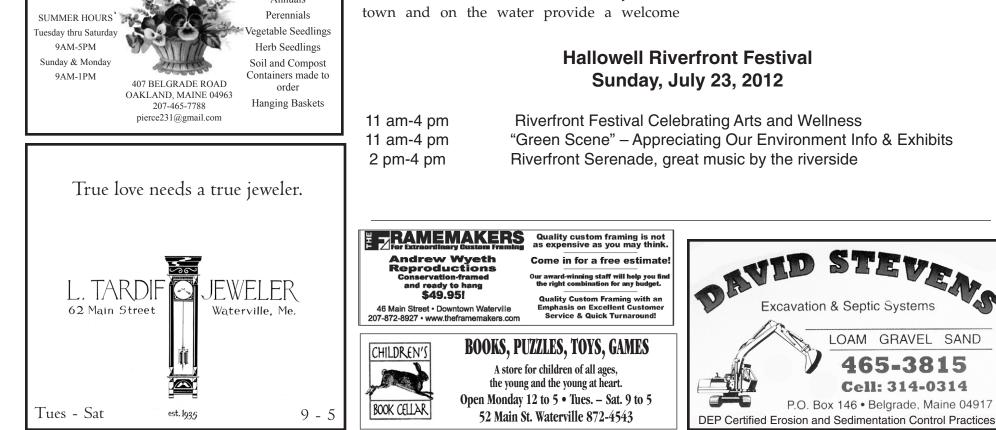
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Greater Gardiner Riverfest Saturday, June 22, 2013

Festival Pancake Breakfast, Christ Church Huge Indoor Lawn Sale & Family Fun Events, Boys & Girls Club Women of Christ Church Lawn Sale Library Book Sale Children's Art in front of Johnson Hall 12th Annual Gardiner Arts & Crafts Festival **Coast Guard Vessel Tours** Ladder Truck Display Specialty Food Vendors/Novelties/Nonprofit Groups Johnson Hall Waterfront Talent Show **Gardiner Rotary Fireworks**



Hallowell Riverfront Festival June 23

rt, music and a series of health and well-Aness-focused exhibits and booths are Hallowell's unique contribution to the great Whatever celebration as events all day downopportunity for visitors to head to Hallowell. The celebration begins at 11 am and ends at 4 pm. But don't leave yet - Hallowell has a great, and sometimes late, night life

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Contact Summertime with ads and event information.

Katy's Column – **Unique Sculpture**

In Á Farm Field

any years ago I heard about a "wind harp" WI somewhere in the Edgecomb/Newcastle area. That was just enough to goad me to set out with a friend to locate the site, as I heard it was a large structure that could be seen from many acres away.



We started out from Wiscasset with the plan to stop along the way and inquire the location. We carried out this plan but only learned things: "I two understand it has been vandalized and may no longer exist." And "I've heard about it but

have no idea where it is located."

Still, with nothing to help us, we decided simply to leave the main highway and cruise through the back roads, keeping a keen eye focused on every field we passed.

It was not long before – far in the distance – we saw a very high structure topping the trees along the way. We were immediately excited and picked up speed to hasten the search. Before long, we sighted what we were seeking. It was obvious it still was in existence but equally obvious some aspects of it were missing.

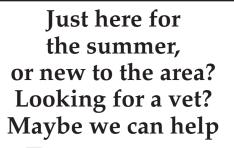
We parked the car and spent a leisurely hour or more walking the field, viewing the Harp from every angle and picking up discarded bottles and other trash along the way. We were convinced that if we listened there could be a breeze that would cause the remaining strings on this giant instrument to at last hum us a tune. Never did!

Since that visit must have been 30 years ago, I have continued to seek information about this amazing structure. Who built it? Why place it so far from the public eye? It was a beautiful work of art! And what was the real reason for the structure anyway? To date I have never found answers to my many questions.

If anyone knows of the Wind Harp, I would be glad to hear from them. I'm still curious about the structure and anyone who had seen it, even in a poor condition, would understand my curiosity.

Katy Perry is an author, news commentator, all around interesting lady, enthusiast about most things Maine and a very vibrant nonagenarian who writes a weekly column for Summertime in the

Belgrades and who makes the weekly rounds delivering Summertime in her hometown Hallowell. And she welcomes your





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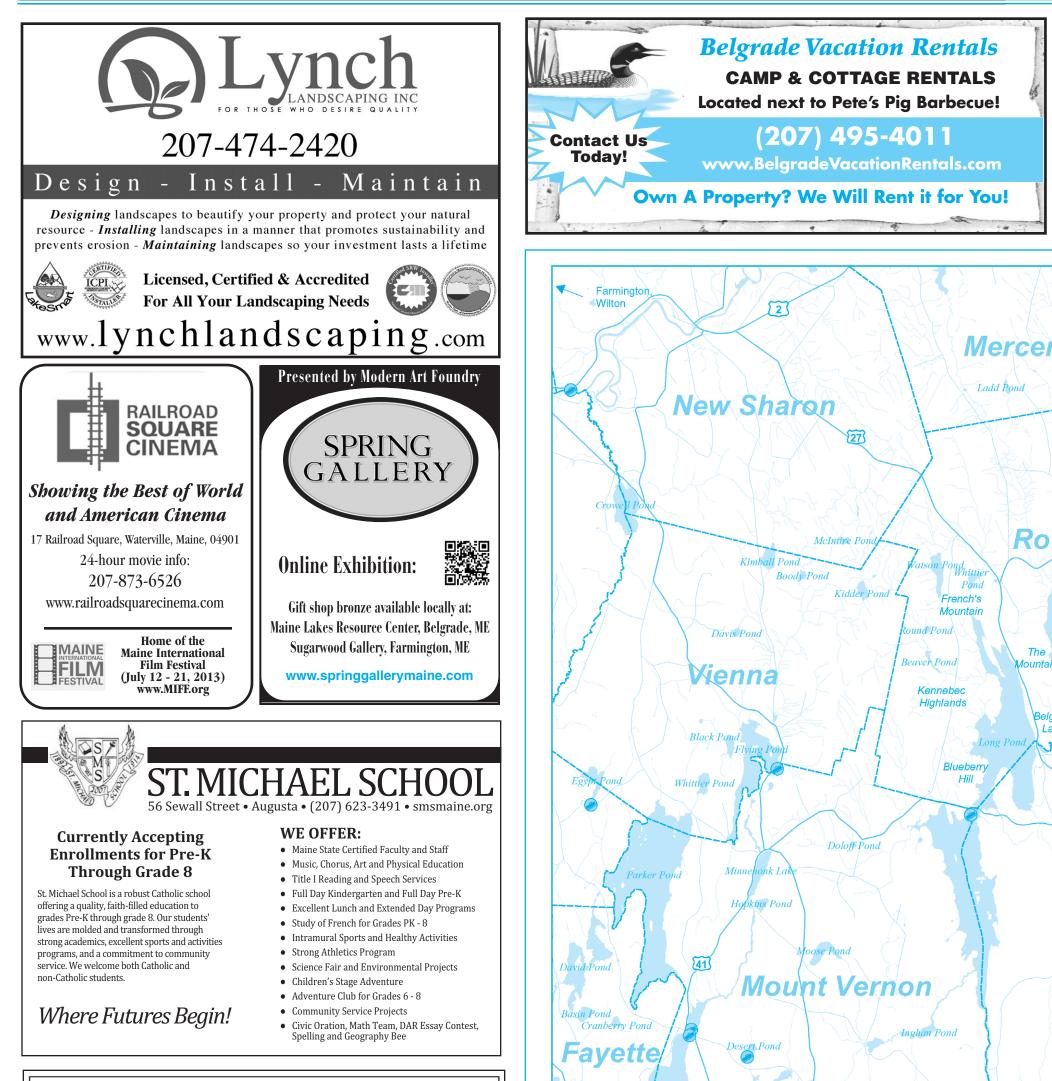
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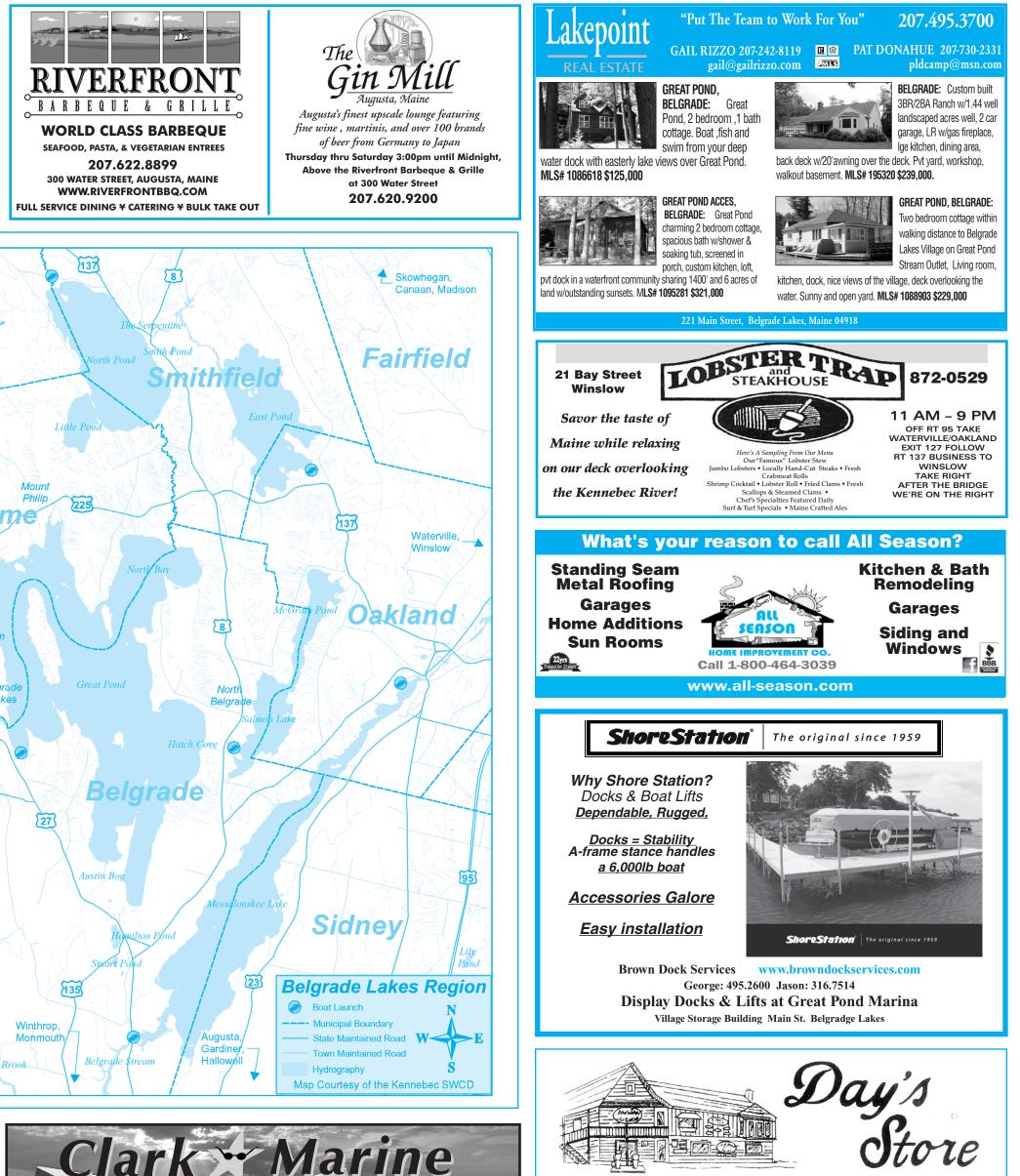
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Notebook -

Community Preservation Grants

• The deadline is July 1 for small to mid-sized heritage organizations to apply for the Historic New England Community Preservation Grants. The grants of \$1,000 each support projects that raise the visibility of historic preservation and present diverse stories of life in their region. Award recipients will be announced in August. Applications are available on the historic preservation website, http://historicne.polldaddy.com/s/community-preservation-g rant-application-2013

Augusta

• The new branch of Skowhegan Savings at 450 Civic Center Drive (Route 27) is open as of June 17. The Belgrade branch is now closed but will maintain an ATM at the Belgrade location. Any questions about the move should be addressed to 800-303-9511.

Belgrade

• The Friends of the Belgrade Public Library will hold a used book sale on Thursday, July 4 from 9 am to 2 pm in Belgrade Lakes Village. This popular annual sale has a large assortment of hardbacks and paperbacks. Proceeds benefit the expenses of maintaining the library. 649-4238

Canaan

• The Town of Canaan will hold a 225th celebration on June 21-23 with competitions, food, entertainment, crafts and children's activities. The Town of Canaan

225th Birthday Parade will be held on Main Street on about the internships. Student interns will work Saturday, June 22 starting near 10 am. Route 2 will be closed for 20 minutes as the parade starts at Easy Street and ends at the Elementary School. All groups are welcome to participate: call Pam Clark at 474-2360 for more information.

Farmington

Farmington, is holding an indoor Yard Sale the first Saturday of each month ending with September 1. Tables are \$10 each. Refreshment are available. 778-6968

Hallowell

• The Harlow Gallery is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with a series of exhibitions celebrating community. This July, in partnership with the Vaughan Homestead Foundation, artist members of the Kennebec Valley Art Association will present Vaughan Vignettes, an art exhibition celebrating the legacy of the Vaughan family in Hallowell. The two organizations are offering a series of art workshops to give artists opportunities to create art on the grounds of Vaughan Homestead. The art exhibition will take place July 5-27 at the Harlow Gallery with an opening reception on Friday, July 5, 5-8 pm. 622-3813

Hinkley

• A new volunteer museum internship program for local students will begin at the L.C. Bates Museum this summer. Junior High and High School students interested in exploring museum work and/or natural history are invited to contact the museum to learn

behind the scenes helping organize museum collections and exhibits or work offering tours for museum visitors. No experience necessary, but an enthusiasm for natural science is a must. The museum will provide training. 238-4250

Oakland

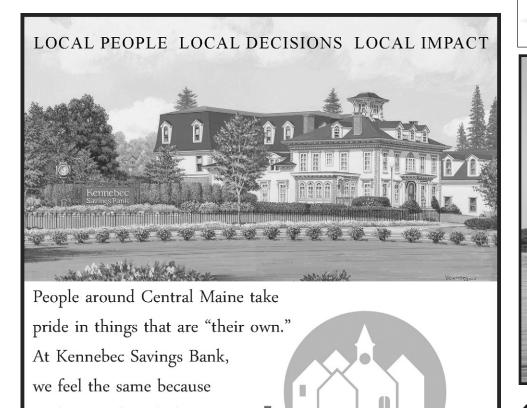
• The Farmington Grange at 124 Bridge Street, West • The PFBF CPAs 4th annual race will take place on Sunday, July 14 at FirstPark Drive at 8 am. Proceeds from this _ Marathon, 5K Run-or-Walk will benefit Special Olympics Maine. Fees are: _ Marathon \$50, 5K \$35, youth rate \$10. Race info and registration forms are available at www.pfbf.com or contact the race director at 873-1603. Registration is also available Saturday, July 13 from 4-6 pm and race day at 7 am. Volunteers are needed; contact deb@pfbf.com

Vienna

• Village Harmony will perform at the Union Hall on Tuesday, July 2 at 7:30 pm. This vibrant, touring teen choir will present authentic traditional choral music from around the world including Corsica, Bulgaria, South Africa and the ex-soviet republic of Georgia, as well as some unusual American repertoire. With dynamic delivery of these richly harmonic "village" selections, the young singers connect the audience to cultures far and wide through music, one language we all can share. Suggested donation is \$10 at door, seniors and student \$5. Refreshments will follow the performance. 495-2928

Waterville

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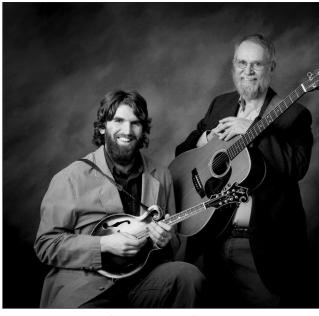
Expressions — Two Bluegrass Duos to Perform in Belgrade Lakes



n Sunday, June 30, two accomplished Acoustic Duo acts will perform at the Center For All Seasons in Belgrade Lakes: The Sky Blue Boys, from Montpelier, Vermont, and local musicians Stan & Dan. Both duos model themselves after the "Brother Duets" format which dominated country music in the 1930s and 1940s.

The Sky Blue Boys are Dan and Willy Linder. Last summer, as members of Banjo Dan and the Mid-Nite Plowboys, they had a successful bluegrass concert at the Center for All Seasons. The other band at that concert was the Sandy River Ramblers, a bluegrass band that featured Stan Keach and Dan Simons.

The Mid-Nite Plowboys retired this year, after decades of touring the country and Europe -- they were the first American bluegrass band to tour Russia. Dan and Willy are now touring almost exclusively in the Brother Duet format that preceded Bluegrass. In fact, Bill Monroe, who invented Bluegrass almost single-handedly in the mid 1940s, got his start in perhaps the greatest Brother Duet of all -- the Monroe Brothers, who had a short (about 2 years) but meteoric recording career from 1936 through 1938. Like the Monroe Brothers, the Blue Sky Boys and the Louvin Brothers, Dan and Willy perform British traditional Isle ballads, Appalachian blues, heart songs, and gospel songs, but they also perform originals (Dan is known for



Above: Stan and Dan

Left: The Sky Blue Boys

his well-crafted songs which often have Vermont themes) and songs from more modern sources -- all more or less in the Brother Duet tradition.

Stan & Dan, likewise, perform songs from the repertoire of the Monroe Brothers, the Delmore Brothers and the Everly Brothers, who were perhaps the last of the Brother Duets, and who had a profound influence on the development of rock and roll. Stan is a nationally-known bluegrass songwriter who has written songs that made the national Top Ten Bluegrass Singles charts, and has also written many songs with Maine themes. Stan & Dan's video of the song, "What the North Pond Hermit Knows," was a youtube hit and was prominently featured on the Bill Green's Maine show about the North Pond Hermit. Dan Simons is one of the best traditional mandolinists in New England. (Side note: Dan bears a striking resemblance to TV (VEEP) and movie star Tim Simons; that's because he's Tim's younger brother.)

Both the Sky Blue Boys and Stan & Dan feature instrumental virtuosity, well-crafted harmony singing, and comedy numbers that will have the audience laughing. Admission is \$8 for adults; \$5 for 12 and under. The show starts at 1:30 PM. The concert will benefit the Maine Lakes Resource Center. Refreshments will be sold at intermission. For more information, contact stanleykeach@hotmail.com or call 397-2241.



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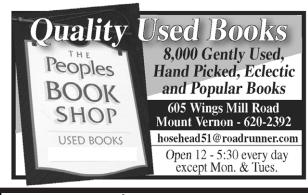




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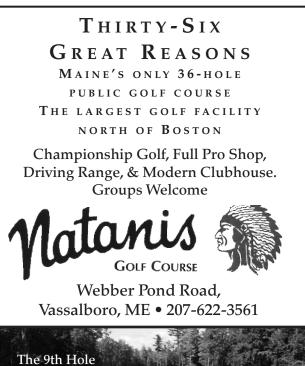


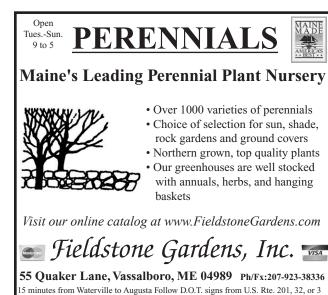




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-The Luckiest Boy-

Chapter III -Swimmin' at the Dam (and other places) by Rod Johnson

long the same span of years as learning about old hboats and motors, all of the town kids had been learning to swim.

During the early 1950's, all the mothers of the so called "war babies" brought their kids to what we called Sandy Beach. The ages of the young ran from new baby to 10 years, more or less. Now we're called the Boomers. Sandy Beach was actually a misnomer, as it was a gravely stretch of shoreline with a couple of wooden docks in the very narrowest part of the stream, where boats can barely pass each other. Most of you know the place. The place is accessed by a road then called Skunk Alley. It has more polite names, one of which is Red Oaks Lodge Road, no doubt named after the lodge that burned sometime in the 70's after falling into years of disrepair. It sat about where the Zinckgraf place is now.

Each July and August day, weather permitting, the parade of baby carriages and white skinny legged kids head down the alley to Sandy Beach. The older ones ran then jumped, dove or cannonball off the dock until lips were blue, and mothers threatened not coming again if they didn't stop. Bombarding passing boats and splashing the occupants with the perfect cannonball was, of course the ultimate. The little ones sat in the gravel wash and made castles or some other creation.

Mothers sat on towels on the lawn just back from the water, keeping one eye on the children while chatting about all the issues of the day. Ken and Eunice Pray owned the property and the big white house up behind it. Ken took pride in keeping it nice for all the towns' people to use.

Ken was also known as Judge Pray, mostly called "Judge," though with no degree in law. Judge was the head grounds keeper at the old Belgrade Hotel that burned in the fall of 1956. He and the summer golf course crew put on large scale lobster bakes down by the shore of Long Pond, where Lakeshore Drive meets the lake. The hotel had a boathouse there at that time. Judge was a huge strong man, and could settle any dispute that might come within the crew, without lifting a finger. Good man with a scythe too, taught the older boys in town what a crooked stick was, and made them use it to keep the high grass down on the perimeter of the golf course. Weed wackers had not been invented at that time.

Other swimming holes took preference as we all got a little older - and free of mother's watchful eyes. The DAM at the end of the stream offered adventurous kids a plethora of potential fun, and



risk. On the stream side of the bridge, we, like every generation before and after, began jumping and diving off the bridge. Cannonballs and summersaults put one in an exalted position within the crowd. The crowning achievement praised by all was a wild yelling jump immediately after pulling down your swim trunks and mooning the passing cars. The blowing of a car horn gave even more credence that we had done an entertaining job.

The Long Pond side of the bridge and DAM offered a more interesting swimming area that was either calm pools just below the spillway, or a torrid rapid, depending on how much the dam was open.

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eyes of children playing dress up in the 1920s; they reenact the tale of a little boy who loved a rabbit so much that she became real."

Each summer, Theater at Monmouth's Family Show features a children's literature classic for young people and the young at heart. Previous productions have included adaptations of Kenneth Grahame's The Wind and the Willows, Roald Dahl's James and the Giant Peach, and Antoine de Saint-Exupery's The Little Prince. For the 2013 Family Show, Producing Artistic Director, for Multimedia and a Grammy award. Dawn McAndrews, chose The Velveteen Rabbit because, "it so beautifully captures power of unconditional love."

Daly in the title role; Ardarius Blakely as Robby the Robot and Doctor; Aislinn Kerchaert as Nana, Fairy, and the Wood Lion; Simon Kiser as the Rocking Horse and

When interest waned there we moved further out by the point, now the little park, and searched underwater for fishing tackle lost to rocks and other snags. Many people fished there in that era. We used some of what we found, traded some and sold some. Old man Lee Law, who tended Cliff Johnson's boat shop , (which is now Lake Point Realty) would usually give us a quarter for the remaining tangled mess. We would immediately trot across the bridge to Day's Store, previously Bartlett's, where we'd turn the cash into soda pop or ice cream!

Gardener; and Nick Sutton as the Boy. Set design by Stacy Koloski, costumes by Elizabeth Rocha, lights by Xi Chen, and sound by Rew Tippen.

Margery WIlliams' first children's book, The Velveteen Rabbit (or How Toys Become Real) was originally published in 1922, with illustrations by William Nicholson. It has been republished and adapted for film numerous times since; in 1985 a video recording and soundtrack by Rabbit Ears Productions with Random House Video, narrated by Meryl Streep and music by George Winston, won both a Parent's Choice

Performance Calendar: OPENING 6/22 at 7 p.m.; additional performance dates 6/29, the unbridled joy of childhood and the 7/6, 7/13, 7/20, 7/30, 8/1, 8/6, 8/8 8/13, 8/15 at 1:00 p.m. Running time is 50 min-The Velveteen Rabbit features Hannah utes. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children. Discounts available for groups of 10 or more. For calendar and reservations, please contact the TAM Box Office at 207.933.9999 or visit www.theateratmonmouth.org



Summertime in the Belgrades

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Fishing ——



Brian Heath with his big pike caught on a fly rod on June 4 on Great Pond.

This past week certainly offered one of the most amazing weeks of fishing in recent memory thanks to awesome conditions and terrific fishermen. This week we caught a whopping 11 different species of fish: splake, brown trout, black crappie, white perch, yellow perch, pumpkinseed, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, chain pickerel, northern pike and one big sucker. About the only thing we didn't get a chance to try was a bit of salmon trolling. Definitely have to do that next week! By the way, the sucker was caught on a topwater Heddon Torpedo. Have you ever heard of such a thing? A bottom feeding sucker caught on a top-water lure in 12 feet of water. That's when you know the fishing is REALLY good!

There were so many awesome fish stories created over the past five days we could write a book. Here's a few of my favorites. On Tuesday I got to see my good friend Brian Heath from North Carolina. Brian was staying over at Bear Spring Camps, and he loves to fly fish for smallmouth bass. We had a blast catching up and poking around the Great Pond shorelines. Brian caught quite a few nice smallies on a black leach pattern and an orange zonker. But the day took a turn when he cast his 5-wt, sinking line tied with a 4x tippet and a 16-pound pike latched onto his leach. We knew it was a big fish right away, and earlier in the morning we'd joked about how difficult it would be to land a big pike on such a light fly rod. One would think the pike would just bite through the light line and take the fly. But this time luck was on our side and the hook caught the fish in the corner of his mouth. About ten minutes later I was removing that hook and taking pictures of Brian's trophy fish.

The next day my friend and Maine Master Guide Bill Laflamme and I took out groups for bass. It was fun fishing close to each other and the story telling started early and never ended. The smallmouth fishing was really awesome, too, and the scrappy bass kept everyone in a good mood. I think Maine has some of the best smallmouth fishing in the country (and I've been lucky enough to fish Ontario (NY), Champlain (VT), Candlewood (CT) and some of the other big named smallmouth



Rick Mansfield with a 5.8 pound largemouth bass caught on June 7

Fish Stories

by Mike Guarino



Rick Mansfield from New Jersey caught this 38 inch, 18.6 pound northern on June 6. This is his personal best for northern pike!

waters.) Personally, I'll take fishing the Belgrades any day. It's no wonder so many people travel here this time of year to catch bass. We are so blessed to have an amazing fishery, spectacular scenery and an area ideally set up for fishermen. On this specific day the bite was hot and tube jigs were on fire. The smallmouth were really attacking crayfish and the tubes were a perfect imitation. Color didn't matter much, but watermelon with red flake seemed to be the best choice. Throughout the day the bass we caught would regurgitate whole crayfish so it was obvious what forage they were keyed on and the size of the crayfish. I haven't put out any crayfish traps yet, but just from casual observation I'd say we are having a banner year for crayfish. They seem to be everywhere and the bass are gorging themselves on the little lobster look-a-likes.

Good luck this week!

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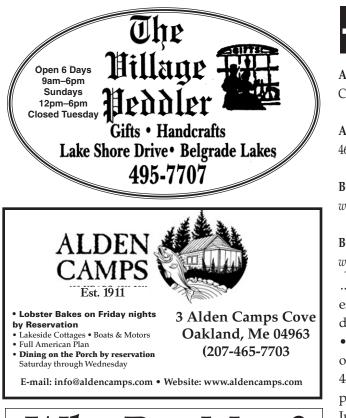
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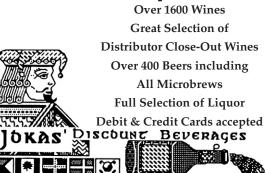
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es from brochure distribution to ticket-taking to coordinating events. 861-8138

• Waterville Main Street invites participants to join one of the oldest outdoor art shows in the State. The 44th Annual Waterville Intown Arts Fest will take place on Saturday, July 27th. Registration deadline is July 12th; final instruction, including the placement map, will be mailed the week of July 22. 680-2055

Winthrop



JUNE

• Kids Day In Capitol Park, the Grand Celebration of Whatever Family Festival in Augusta will be on Saturday, June 29. 623-4559

• Saturday, June 29 is Kingfield Pops, art show, music under the stars held at the Kennedy Farm. From 9 am-4 pm, Festival of the Arts takes place in Kingfield, gates to the POPS concert open at 4:30 pm.265-7677

• There will be a Public Turkey Dinner Sunday, June 30, noon to 2 pm at the Canaan Farmers Hall, Main Street, Canaan, \$8 adults. 474-6168

• An Artist Reception for Gift of the Glacier exhibit will be held on Sunday, June 30, 2-4 pm at the L.C. Bates Museum in Hinckley. Free event; visit with artists. 238-4250

JULY

• An All American Breakfast on the 4th of July will be held at the Union Church on Main Street in Belgrade Lakes from 8–10:30 am.

• Celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance with an Open House on Saturday, July 6 at the Lakes Resource Center in Belgrade Lakes. 495-6039 **Belgrade Vacation Rentals**, 81 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-4011, *www.belgradevacationrentals.com*

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• The Kennebec Valley Garden Club will hold a Garden Tour of Historic Hallowell on Saturday, July 13, 9 am-3 pm. 377-2197

• Join the celebration for the opening of the Alfond-Lunder Family Pavilion and the exhibition on Saturday, July 13 at the Colby College Museum of Art in Waterville. 859-5600

• The third Union Coffee House of the 2013 summer season will feature Talisker, an eclectic mix of English and Irish folk music. The one-hour presentation at the Union Church on Saturday, July 13, will be followed by an hour of open mic.

• The 36th Annual Maine Quilts Show will be held July 26-28 at the Augusta Civic Center, with over 600 quilts, workshops, special exhibits and more. www.mainequilts.org, 415-4417

• Astronomy Camp at the L.C. Bates Museum will be held July 29-August 2 at the new museum observatory. Activities will include putting together a telescope, drawing the moon surface and sending up a hot air balloon. 238-4250

AUGUST

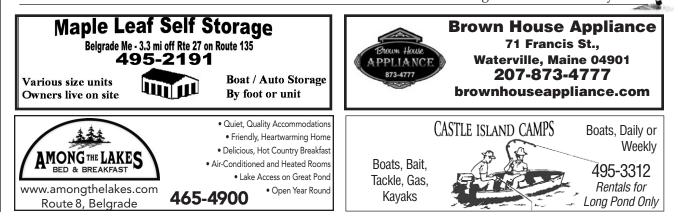
• On Wednesday, August 14, Linda Snow McLoon will give a program all the news from Belgrade, 1905-1914, as printed in the Waterville Sentinel, at the Belgrade Historical Society meeting at the Maine Lakes Resource Center at 7 pm. Donations appreciated. 465-7924



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• Maine Farm Days is scheduled for August 22 and 23 at Misty Meadows Farm in Clinton, 9 am-4 pm. Public is welcome, free admission to this agricultural trade show held on a working farm. mainefarmdays.com



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Dining

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The Small Garden Guide -

"Can Film Festival" to Benefit Winthrop Area Food Banks

What better an activity for Friday evenings in July than to gather friends and family to share a good movie and all the free popcorn anyone could possibly eat?

The 'Can Film Festival' is a benefit event for area food banks sponsored by the ecumenical partnership of Winthrop Center Friends (Quaker) and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, both of whom share the Friend's Meeting House for services. Each Friday night in July at 6:30 p.m., films will be shown at The Friend's Meeting House, 219 Winthrop Center Road, (on Route 135, south). Admission? Canned or boxed goods, as many as you are able to bring. Monetary gifts made out to specific food banks, are also welcome.

The first movie slated for July 5 at 6:30, will be the iconic "Yankee Doodle Dandy" starring James Cagne. This 1942 musical classic about George M. Cohan is a perfect fit for a 4th of July holiday weekend. July 12th's movie is based on a true story, featuring a twothumbs-up, 2011 family movie called, "We Bought A Zoo". This is a PG 13 "drama-comedy" starring Matt Damon and Scarlett Johansson. July 19th's movie slate returns to another iconic classic, "African Queen", produced in 1951, and starring Katharine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart. For classic movie buffs, it doesn't get much better. Last, but not least, July 26th's selection is animated fun with the popular 2008 Pixar hit, "Wall-E". This is great fun for the entire family, but especially for the younger kids and grandkide raiser will provide much needed funds and food to help community friends and neighbors in need.

If you can't join us and still want to help, we will be glad to collect food donations at the door. Contact Bryant at behoffman1@roadrunner.com 623-9798 or Claire at mamabelle@gwi.net 557-0619 for more information.

The Winthrop Center Friends and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Present The Winthrop "Can Film Festival" A benefit for Winthrop Area Food Banks

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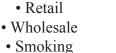
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Golden Pond Wealth Management, 129 Silver St, Waterville, 873-2200, www.goldenpondwealth.com

FIREWOOD

J & M Logging, Inc. 853 Civic Center Dr., Augusta, 622-6353

FLOORING

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemaquid, Portland, Skowhegan, 866-HAM-MOND, *www.hammondlumber.com*

FLOWERS AND PLANTS Pierce's Greenhouse, 407 Belgrade Rd, Oakland, 465-7788

GALLERIES

Artisan's Barn, 163 North Rd, Readfield. 685-9787, www.theartisansbarn.com Spring Gallery, bronze castings: Online Exhibition and at MLRC, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3113, www.springgallerymaine.com

GIFTS

Day's General Store, 180 Main St, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, *www.go2days.com* The 1830 House on Long Pond, 134 Main St, Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-3277

The Village Peddler Gift Shop, Lake Shore Dr, Belgrade Lakes, 495-7707

GOLF

Natanis Golf Course, 735 Webber Pond Rd, Vassalboro, 622-3561, www.natanisgc.com

GROCERIES

Damon's Quick Stop, 670 Civic Center Dr., Augusta, 622-3334

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HEALTH CENTERS

Belgrade Regional Health Center, 4 Clement Way, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3323, *www.healthreachchc.org* **Inland Hospital,** The Clinic at Walmart, walk-in health care, 80 Waterville Commons Dr, Waterville, 680-2110, 861-3000, *www.inlandhospital.org*

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Day's General Store, 180 Main St, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

Maine Lakes Resource Center, PO Box 431, 137 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3617, 620-6029, www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org

LANDSCAPING

Fieldstone Gardens, 55 Quaker Lane, Vassalboro, 877-3526, www.fieldstonegardens.com
G&L Contracting, 116 Lakeshore Dr, Belgrade Lakes, 495-9009, info@gandlcontractingmaine.com, gandlcontractingmaine.com
Lakeside Landscape, 13 Station Rd, Belgrade, 465-3039, 831-7053, 632-1086, lakesidelandscape1@yahoo.com
Lynch Landscaping, Skowhegan, 474-2420, lynchlandscaping.com
Native Notions, 213 West Rd, Belgrade, 495-6040, 314-9538, nativenotions@hotmail.com, www.nativenotionslandscape.com

MEATS

Ballard Meats & Seafood, Myrtle St, Manchester, 622-9764, 1-800-564-6328

MOVIE THEATERS

Railroad Square Cinema, call for titles and times, 17 Railroad Square, Waterville, 873-6526, www.railroadsquarecinema.com PEST CONTROL Maine Mosquito & Pest Services, 797-0498, 622-6600, www.mainepestservices.com

PHYSICAL THERAPY Dockside Physical Therapy, 47 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3195, 512-2544, Fax 512-2545

PIANO LESSONS Diane Gorman, Gorman3366@roadrunner.com, 906 Manchester Rd, Belgrade, 495-3222

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RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES Granite Hill Estates, 60 Balsam Dr, Hallowell, 626-7786, 1-888-321-1119, *www.granitehillestates.com*

SCHOOLS St. Michael School, grades pre-K through 8, 56 Sewell St, Augusta, 623-3491, www.smsmaine.org

SEAFOOD

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SECURITY SYSTEMS Cayer Security Services, Inc, 208 College Ave, Waterville, 453-9177, www.cayersecurity.com

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SURVEYING Acme Land Surveying, 108 Fairbanks Rd., Suite 5, Farmington, 778-4801, www.acmelandsurveying.com

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The Theater at Monmouth, Cumston Hall, off Rt 135, Monmouth, 933-9999, *www.theateratmonmouth.org*

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Larsen's Jewelers, 57 Main St, Waterville, 872-6301, 800-697-1874, *www.larsensjewelers.com* L.Tardif Jeweler, 62 Main St, Waterville, 872-7542, 800-834-3638

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LAKE ASSOCIATIONS & RESOURCES
Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA), Long Pond and Great
Pond, PO Box 551, 137 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 512-5150,
www.belgradelakesassociation.com

REDEMPTION

Damon's Quick Stop, 670 Civic Center Dr., Augusta, 622-3334

RESERVATIONS See page 20

VETERINARY SERVICES

Lakeside Veterinary Clinic, 88 Libby Hill Rd, Oakland, 465-7387, 465-8387, *www.lakevets.com*

WINDOWS

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemaquid, Portland and Skowhegan, 1-866-HAMMOND, *www.hammondlumber.com* Windows Plus, 5 Cushman Rd, Winslow, 872-8776, *www.windowsplus.me*



- Conservation Too -

On June 6th we joined other Soil & Water Conservation Districts at the 22nd Annual Highway Congress at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds. The Highway Congress is a one day event attended primarily by municipal public works employees and contractors they work with. It is intended to be a one day training for them to learn new and improved techniques and materials for doing their work. We had been asked to create one of the "Time Out for Training Stations" available for the hundreds of attendees. Clearly the majority of those we saw worked on the municipal road crews.

The Soil & Water Conservation Districts focused on BMP's [Best Management Practices] used to protect water quality from stormwater runoff and other sources of sediment and phosphorus. Other "training stations" demonstrated a number of other practices ranging from safety issues to oil spills. There was a lot of interesting and useful information in both the "stations" and other vendor displays of equipment and materials. Unfortunately, we were going non-stop from 7:30 until 1 with our "station" and didn't get to wander around much. We gave our quiz to about 200 people about BMP's and how to use them in order to best protect the water quality of our lakes and streams from stormwater runoff coming from roadways and construction work.



The "Training Station" with Dale Finseth preparing to authorized some of the quiz takers.

The day was a success. We had the opportunity to talk with public works employees who actually do the work effecting how stormwater of the travels into our waterways. We were able to introduce and remind them about techniques and designs which help them do their job easier and with better results. We met a friendly and cheerful bunch of people who were more than willing to have a discussion about how to control erosion and protect water quality. They were fun to work

with. Our method of using a short quiz to initiate discussion seemed to work.

Helping our Public Works Protect Water Quality

> We look forward to next year's Highway Congress. The experience reminded us that we all have opportunities to help our local public works department better understand how their work can impact the lakes and streams in each of our towns. Just because a roadway or a construction site isn't right at the water's edge doesn't mean that the work will not impact our water quality. Take the time to attend a public meeting or to talk with your local public works director or town manager about projects. When they grade your local gravel road, do they take care to pull the material back into the middle and re-establish a crown on the road? If there is a problem, let them know.

> ...and if you see public works crew taking the proper precautions, take the time to mention your appreciation for the care they are taking to protect the lakes and streams. Mention it to one of the crew or let the town office know. Let them know you understand that they are making the effort.

> Remember, there is a lot to do in order to protect water quality.

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