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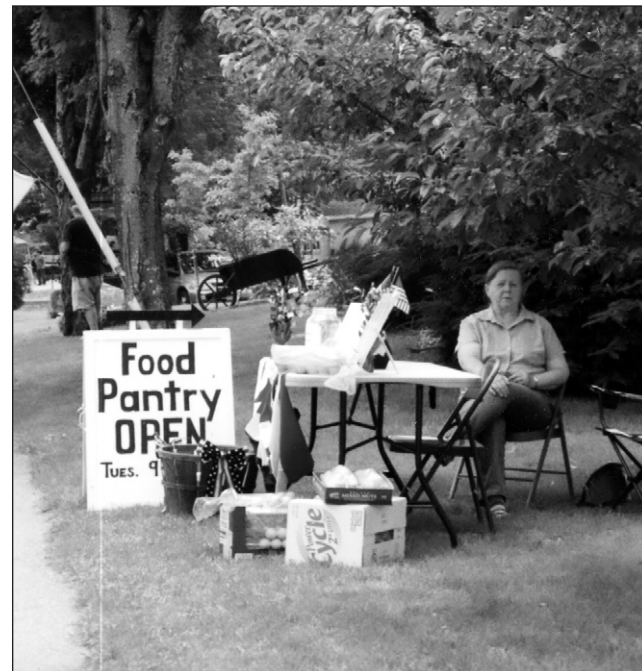
Another summer season blends into fall and with the change comes planning for school, for wintertime work schedules, and for squeezing in those last great outings of the season.

It's those outings that put the final fond touches on the summer ending: fairs, festivals, forays near and far – hikes, bikes, leisurely paddle treks and boat tours, quiet times and visits to Maine's unique attractions including beaches, museums, mountains and historic sites.

It's those outings, too, from small to spectacular, that make lasting memories, memories that reach across the miles, that smooth the separations, and that make livable the other seasons.

Another summer season blends into fall but its wonderful memories remain.

Hooray for summer memories.



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— Season Letter —

Dear Readers:

As another season of Summertime in the Belgrades draws to a close, there are many thanks due to you, our readers, who constantly compliment the publication and look to Summertime in the Belgrades as your weekly source of seasonal information and inspiration, many thanks due our advertisers who are a much-appreciated support team and who make the paper possible, and many thanks due our columnists:

- Mike Guarino, our fishing column guru, who is leaving the area and therefore the paper, which he began writing for in 1999. Mike and family are moving to Bar Harbor and we wish them well, but we'll sure miss them.

- Katy Perry, our Hallowell and extended area contributor, who makes 93 years under her belt look pretty young as she shares her wonderful, positive perspective on life. Go Katy!

- Rod Johnson, the Luckiest Boy, who shared an important part of Belgrade Lakes life with us – the safe and carefree fifties. Rod along with his wife Doris Mathias also get a tremendous thanks from us for their help in delivering the paper.

- Dale Finseth at the Kennebec Soil & Water Conservation District, who took time from his overloaded schedule to provide advice on so many important aspects of conservation.

- Dr. Eleanor Sabeen, veterinarian in Oakland, whose advice about pets in this pet-rich region is so well appreciated.

We also sincerely thank all the people who sent inquiries, best wishes and prayers regarding Erle Morse, Advertising Director, who



has just returned from 85 days of hospitalization and re-hab, following a serious blood clot in his leg. (So that's why no one saw him this summer!!)

We extend a thank you to all the day camps and sports instructors that help make the summer world of the young set go round – especially the two special grandboys (ages 5 and 8) that are part of the Summertime in the Belgrades team.

And, we extend a thank you to the rest of our team, Michael Breault and Gregor Smith, who were so helpful with newspaper delivery this summer.

Here's to a healthy, happy off-season to everyone.

Esther Perne, *editor*



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Complimentary refreshments, a boutique and a classic wooden boat display by Androscoggin Wooden Boatworks will be featured at the venerable 103-year-old Androscoggin Yacht Club. Lunch for purchase will be available at the Wayne Community Church and Julian's Wayne General Store.

The Homes of Wayne Tour is a benefit for the Cary Memorial Library and Wayne Community Church and has been held every other year since 2007.

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The Alice Room by Jann Haynes Gilmore

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becomes a venue for the Crossroads International Celtic Festival.

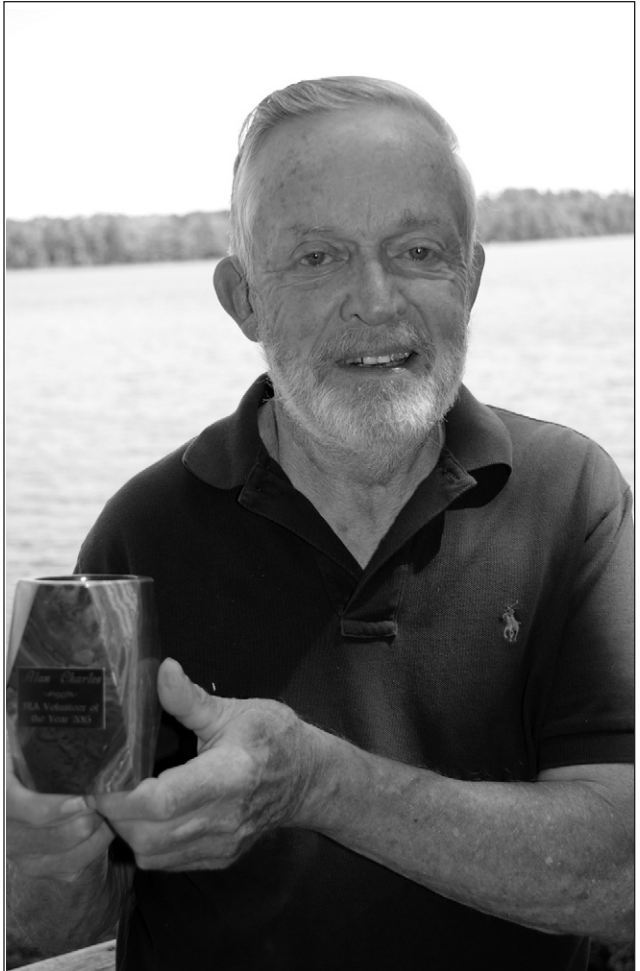
Experience 19th century rural Maine, hear folk singer Bill Berlinghoff, see the fashions of the day at a Victorian show, eat a delicious homemade dinner of corned beef, potato, vegetables, bread, and apple crisp in the historic farmer’s cottage,

and listen to French, English and Italian songs of love and fun by Northfield, work songs of the 1800s by Edith Gawler and Bennett Konesni, and Old Timey tunes and dance music by the Gawler Family.

Admission is \$5 per person, additional for supper and the evening concert.

Join an 1870-era immersion at Norlands, September 27 and 28. Spend 24 hours on the farm learning about rural Maine farm life after the Civil War, assume the character of someone who actually lived there and become part of a farm family, use 19th century farm implements, participate in chores, play period games, soak in the beauty of the countryside, stay in an authentic reproduction of an 1870s Farmer’s Cottage with old-fashioned beds, and much, much more.

Fees are \$125 per adult and \$95 for ages 12 and under. Registration and fees due by September 13. Children must be age 9 and older and accompanied by an adult. Contact Programs@Norlands.org or 897-4366.



Rome resident Alan Charles was recently recognized as the Belgrade Lakes Association 2013 Volunteer of the Year. Alan was a 4-year BLA board member, sets up and takes down the BLA raffle table every Saturday and Sunday, is an Information Desk Volunteer at Maine General Hospital in Augusta, a driver for the Augusta Meals on Wheels, and a volunteer for Trek Across Maine.

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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.maine-statemuseum.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, 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

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.
- **The Belgrade Public Library**, books, movies, computers, WiFi, 495-3508, www.belgrade.lib.me.us, Tuesday 10-7, Wednesday 3-7, Thursday 10-7, Friday 10-1, 124 Depot Rd.
- **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, until Sept. 15, 465-7058, www.belgradelakesfarmersmarket.org, Main St.
- **Peninsula Park on Long Pond**, picnic tables, Main St.
- **Maine Lakes Resource Center**, 495-3617, www.minelakesresourcecenter.org, 135 Main St.

FAIRFIELD

- **Fairfield Historical Society**, 1890 Cotton-Smith History House, Tue 9 am-12 noon, 1-4 pm, 453-2998, www.fairfieldmehistoricalociety.net, 42 High St.
- **Farmers' Market**, 948-5724, Wed 2-6 pm, Sat 9:30 am-1:30 pm, Nazarene Church parking lot, 81 Main St.

FARMINGTON

- **Farmington Historical Society**, 778-2835, Wed and Sat, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, 118 Academy St.
- **Nordica Homestead Museum**, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tue-Sat 10 am-12 n and 1-5 pm, Sun 1-5 pm, 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.

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

GREENE

- **Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial**, free entertainment programs, monthly - Fri 2 and 7 pm, 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- 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.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 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.

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- **Villages Market**, farmers/crafters, Sat 10 am-2 pm (start 6/29), next to Flying Pond Store, sharihamilton@gmail.com, Rt 41

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
- **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 school-house, 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

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

SKOWHEGAN

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

- **History House Museum**, 1800s local history and culture, 474-6632, www.skowhegan.com/historyhouse, Tue-Fri 1-5 pm, Elm St.
- **Fairgrounds**, weekly horse shows/competitions at covered arena, Skowhegan State Fair in Aug, 474-3621, Madison Ave.
- **Farmers' Market**, Wed 3-6 pm, Sat 9 am-1 pm, weekly entertainment, 938-3906, Somerset Gristmill parking lot, downtown

SMITHFIELD

- **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
- **Colby College Special Collections Library**, "Men Who Served: Colby in the Civil War." 859-5150, Mon-Fri 10 am-noon, and 1-4 pm, free, Colby College, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.
- **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.

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.

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...Thursday 8/22 - Steve Wronker, Comedy Hypnotist, hosted by the North Pond Association and the Mercer Old Home Days Committee which will split profits equally, \$10 per ticket on sale at Smithfield Town Office and Sweet Dreams Store or call 362-6211, Mercer Community Center, Route 2, Mercer.

...Thursday 8/22 through Sunday 8/25 - Father Rasle and Madison-Anson Days, 36th Anniversary Celebration, children's activities, Sidewalk Crafters Show, Chili Cook-Off, entertainment, book sale, Bike & Doll Carriage Parade, concert, Parade, fireworks, fishing derby, farmers' market, golf tournament, more, www.madisonmaine.com, downtown Madison.

...Thursday 8/22 through Sunday 8/25 -

Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival, 12 live bands, extra large tent area, food concessions, camping, security on grounds, www.blisteredfingers.com, 873-6539, Litchfield Fairgrounds, Litchfield.

...Wednesday 8/21 through Saturday 8/24 - "Mama Won't Fly," family-friendly comedy, Lakewood Theater, 474-7176, Rt. 201, Madison.

...Friday 8/23 through Sunday 8/25 - State Appaloosa Horse Show, free, open to the public, covered arena, concessions, family-oriented, 474-3621, Fairgrounds, Route 201/Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

...Friday 8/23 through Sunday 8/25 - "Picnic," 626-3698, Gaslight Theater, City Hall, Winthrop Street, Hallowell.

...Friday 8/23 - "Evergreen," bluegrass, folk, blues, old-time country and swing, 2 pm and 7 pm, free to the public, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

...Saturday 8/24 - Fine Art and Craft Show, hosted by Designing Women, high quality and beautifully handcrafted pottery, handbags, glasswork, handwoven clothing and

accessories, home accents, stained glass, sculptural ceramic art, \$2 donation and lunch/refreshment proceeds to benefit Winthrop's Sexual Assault Crisis and Support Center, 9:30 am-4:30 pm, 582-7985, Longfellow's Greenhouse, 81 Puddledock Road, Manchester.

...Saturday 8/24 - Open House Smithfield Historical Society, 11 am-1 pm, 362-5340, Groves House, 21 Lakeview Drive, Smithfield.

...Saturday 8/24 - Skate-A-Thon, to benefit the Skating Association of Maine, 6-8 pm, www.maineskaters.com, Bank of Maine Ice Vault, Whitten Road, Augusta.

...Saturday 8/24 - Contra Dance, music with Sassafras Stomp, calling by Dugan Murphy, beginner lessons 7:30 pm, Dance - no partners necessary, all dances taught 8 pm, \$7 admission, \$20 Family Max, 399-8454, Canaan Farmers Hall, Main Street, Route 2, Canaan Village.

...Sunday 8/25 through Monday 9/2 - The Windsor Fair, extensive agricultural, art/crafts exhibits, midway, animal pull events, harness racing, food booths, historical section, www.windsorfair.com, 549-7121, Windsor.

...Sunday 8/25 - Harlow Gallery visits Watershed Center for the Arts for afternoon tea and homemade pastries, all are welcome, 2 pm tour the grounds, 3 pm tea and treats, 4 pm artist talks by Jenna Gascoine, Simon van der Ven, and Carole Ann Fer, \$10 per person, \$8 members, advance registration required, 622-3813, Newcastle.

...Sunday 8/25 - "Dixie Mix," Coburn Park Concert, 5-6:15 pm, free, bring lawn chairs and blankets, 474-0527, Coburn Park Bandstand, Route 2, Water Street, Skowhegan.

...Monday 8/26 - Old Crow Band, 7-9:30 pm, Gazebo, Meetinghouse Park, downtown Farmington.

...Tuesday 8/27 - Arizona Rose and the Rich Ric Band, Music on Main, free, 11:30 am-1 pm, 778-3424, Gazebo, Meeting House Park, Downtown Farmington.

...Tuesday 8/27 - "The Maine Warden Service," with visiting ME Warden, Col. Joel Wilkinson, presented by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, 7 pm, 495-6039, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

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...**Wednesday 8/28** – "Postcards from Waterville," 7 pm, 873-7000, Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

...**Thursday 8/29 through Sunday 9/1** – "Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club," mystery thriller, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...**Friday 8/30 through Monday 9/2** - GSAA Color Caper Review Horse Show, free to public, covered arena, concessions, barns to visit, 474-3621, Fairgrounds, Madison Avenue/Route 201, Skowhegan.

...**Saturday 8/31** – 5K Race for the Lakes, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, \$15 pre-registration by 8/25, \$18 day of race, visit www.belgradelakes.org to register, 495-6039, 8 am, Camp Runoia, Point Road, Belgrade.

...**Saturday 8/31** – Route 8 Figure 8 bicycle ride, 15 and 28 miles road touring, 9 am, hjmerrick@gmail.com

...**Monday 9/2** - Oosoola Day aka Frog Day, parade at 9 am down Main Street to Oosoola Park, fun, frog jumping contests,

booths, food, family events, children's craft and game area, boat landing, 10 am-2 pm, 634-2252, Oosoola Park, Route 2, Norridgewock.

...**Tuesday 9/3** – Leading Women's Luncheon, Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, guest speaker Senator Susan Collins, 11:30 am-1 pm, 873-3315, Best Western Plus, 375 Main Street, Waterville.

...**Tuesday 9/3** – Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance Annual Meeting and dinner at Alden Camps, reserved seating, limited seating, 495-6039, Alden Camps, East Pond, Route 225, Oakland.

...**Wednesday 9/4 through Saturday 9/7** – "Sherlock Holmes and the Adventure of the Suicide Club," mystery thriller, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...**Friday 9/6 through Sunday 9/8 and September 13-15** – "The Secret of Comedy," ACAT, Aqua City Actor's Theatre, 873-7000, Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

...**Friday 9/6 through Sunday 9/8** - Litchfield Fair, nice family event, agricultural displays, pulling events, barrel racing, food, small midway, easy parking, children's events - pig scramble, coin hunt, bike giveaway, 353-8105, litchfieldfair.com, Litchfield.

...**Friday 9/6** – Averill and Ralph Lovely, father and son duo, bluegrass, country and hillbilly swing, 2 and 7 pm, free, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation, Sawyer Road, Greene.

...**Friday 9/6** – Chris Cart Unplugged, a solo show of work by Hallowell artist Chris Cart, opening 5-8 pm, exhibit runs through 9/28, 622-3813, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

...**Saturday 9/7 and Sunday 9/8** - Autumnfest Horse Show, free, open to the public, covered arena, 474-2947, Skowhegan Fairgrounds, Madison Avenue/Route 201, Skowhegan.

...**Saturday 9/7** – 6th Annual BingSol Pig Roast and Auction to benefit Hospice volunteers of Waterville Area and the Spectrum Generations meals on Wheels program of Kennebec and Somerset counties, byob and lawn chairs, gates open 10 am, lunch at noon, auction 1:30 pm, \$15 person, \$20 per couple, \$25 per family of 3 or more, 873-3615, Sukeforth family camp, Bingham.

...**Saturday 9/7** – Chicken Barbecue, including homemade potato salad, roll, dessert and drink, 11:30 am; Yard Sale, 9 am, 948-2455, Congregational Church, Thorndike.

...**Wednesday 9/11** – Bird Day at the L.C. Bates Museum, early taxidermy exhibit, drawing and watercoloring 10 am, guided trail walk 1 pm, museum tours, bird calls and many educational activities, 10 am-3 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...**Thursday 9/12** – Louise Helen Coburn's 157th birthday celebration on the lawn, musical recordings from the 1892 Regina Music Box, 1-3 pm, 474-6632, The History House Museum and Research Center, Skowhegan.

...**Thursday 9/12 through Sunday 9/15 and Wednesday 9/18 through Saturday 9/21** – "Too Many Cooks," comedy, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...**Saturday 9/14** – Homes of Wayne Tour, hosted by the Friends of Wayne, rain or shine, 10 am-4 pm, \$22 in advance, \$25 day of event, 685-3612, Wayne.

...**Saturday 9/14** – Let's Go! Family Fun Day, sponsored by Inland Hospital, free community event, climbing wall, music and dancing, trail walks, geocaching, taste testings, a light lunch, free resources and information to help local families make healthy choices, 861-3292, Inland Woods trailhead behind Inland Hospital, Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville.

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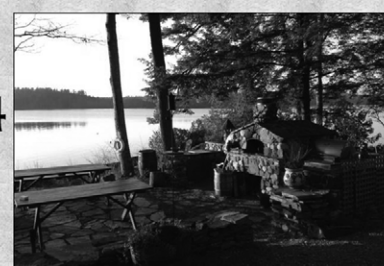
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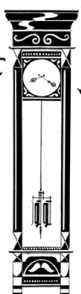


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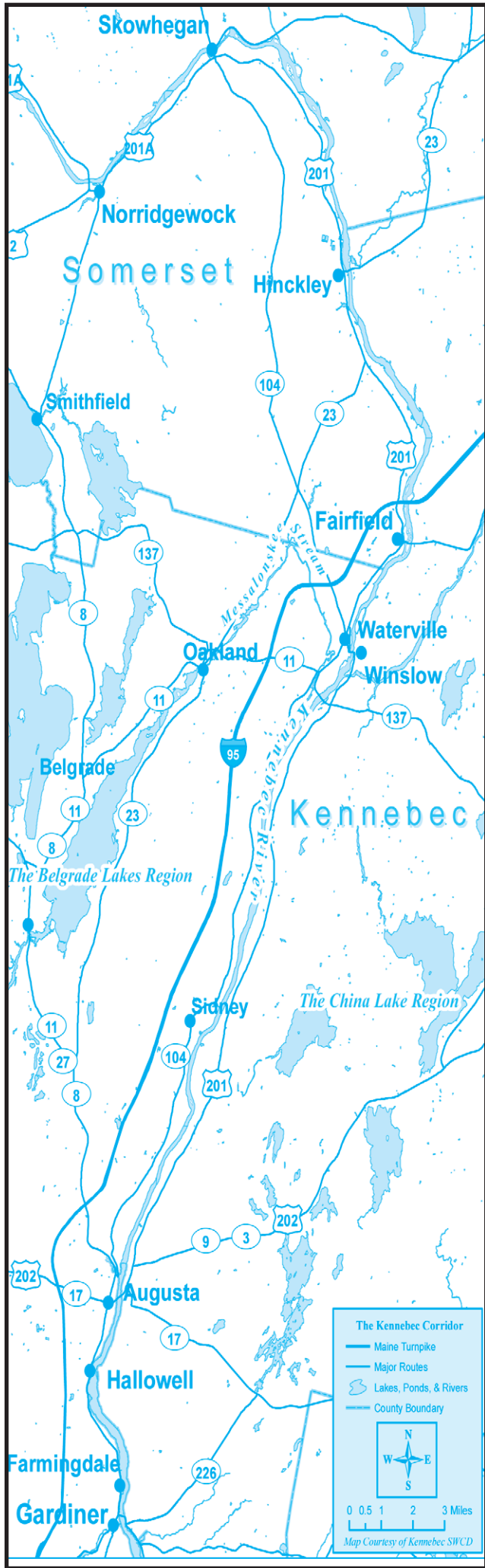
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Katy's Column

Love Abounds

Let me give you some reasons why I believe there is more love in the world than hate.

Several years ago at the end of a small meeting that I was not a part of, one of the participants came up to me and asked if I knew her parents. She then told me their names.

"Of course, I know them. Last I heard they were off on a cruise along the Mississippi. Did they have a good time?"

"They certainly did. They have a grand time wherever they go. They are great people, even if they are my parents! I consider myself the most fortunate of human beings to have been born to them."

Isn't that a statement that gives you pause? It did me. I was reminded, yet again, how seldom I voiced my feelings to my mother. Now it's too late.

Just a few days later I met a woman whose husband had recently retired. "How are you getting along with Mike home every day?" I asked. Thank the Lord I didn't say "under foot" as I almost did.

"Oh, I love having Mike around. He is always thinking of something fun to do. I am happier than ever to have him with me all day, every day." How does that one strike you?

I had just finished a session with a local physical therapist and felt like a million dollars. While I was paying my bill, she offered me pictures of her grown son and her ex-husband. She spoke glowingly of them both.

It's great that you and your former husband have such a warm relationship," I suggested.

"Oh, we do. We have had our differences. That's pretty obvious else I would still be with him. I still have a great deal of love for him even though I walked away. We share a lot of talk and mail concerning both our children. It's, for us, a fine arrangement."

It was several months after that that business brought me to a delightful young woman whose child I was working with. During the conversation it was revealed that she had recently lost her mother-in-law. I expressed sympathy, as anyone would.

"Oh, she was an amazing woman. I know I will miss her more and more. She was such an upbeat person, always joyful – and believe me she had plenty of reason for being down. Never. She livened every gathering. I loved her as much as my own mother." The

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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 call about story ideas!

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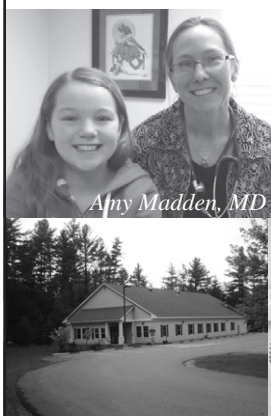


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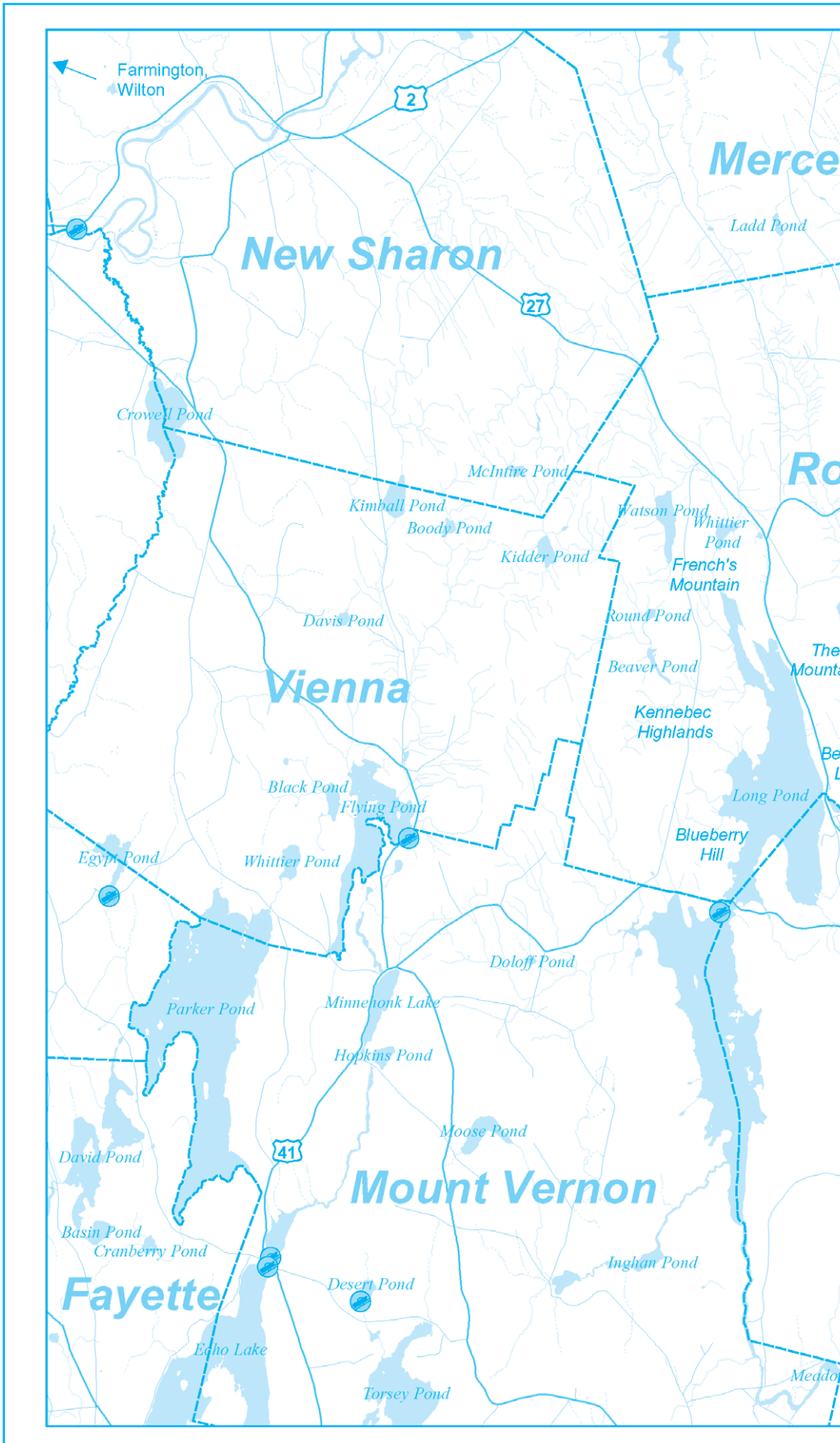
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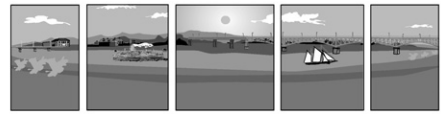
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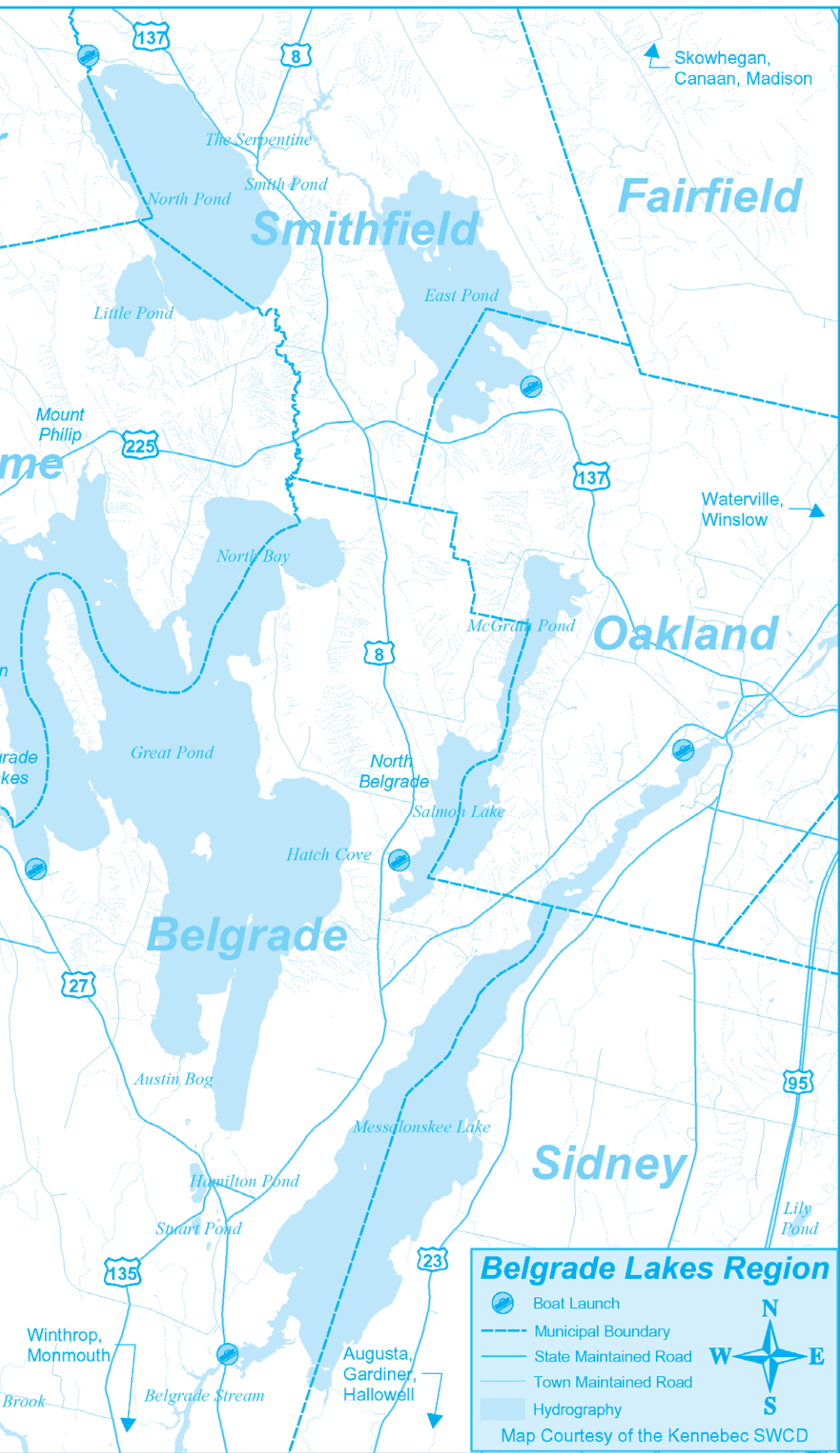
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Augusta

• "Fun in French for Kids" will begin Saturday morning classes for children ages 4 to 10 years twice a month in the Augusta area. Courses are six 60-minute sessions, 10-11 am. No prior language experience necessary; a parent, grandparent or adult caregiver must accompany each child or pair of siblings. Cost is \$50 per child, \$35 for each additional sibling. The teacher is Joelle Morris, a French native and professional classical singer. Register at joellemezzo@gmail.com or 446-4860.

• The Bill Giasson Memorial Music Camp Scholarship benefit, a Country Music Jamboree with Bob Elston, will be held On Sunday, October 13, 12-5 pm at the American Legion, Post 205, Route 17. The event will include a lunch menu, silent auction, 50/50, American Girl Holiday Raffle for a doll and wardrobe, and more. 495-3864

• The new Alford Center for Health, north of Augusta near the Harold Alford Center for Cancer Care, will open in November, seven months ahead of the original plan. Highlights include a single entrance to simplify access, separate corridors for the public and for patient transport, three oversized operating rooms, private patient rooms for operation prep and recovery so families can stay with patients, 192 private rooms, and extensive outpatient facilities. 1-855-4MGH-INFO

Belgrade

• Old South Church at the corner of Route 135 and

West Road is now meeting year round at 10:00 am. Sunday School for all ages will begin on September 1 at 9 am. Everyone is welcome at Sunday School and at church. Pastor Glenn Smith may be contacted at 692-4382.

• The Belgrade Tree Committee recently dedicated a sugar maple tree and plaque at the Belgrade Public Library to the memory of Abbott Ladd, a devoted member of the committee and a forester for the State of Maine and private industry. He was well known also for his wonderful Christmas trees at the Ladd Farm on Route 135. The engraved granite stone was removed from the foundation of an old building there. 495-3422

Gardiner

• The Gardiner Farmers' Market is now located in Waterfront Park, Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine. www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, 582-3100

Litchfield

• Don't miss the music, the setting, the fun. Join the Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival August 22 - 25 at the Litchfield Fairgrounds. Twelve bands, field strumming 24 hours a day, food concessions, camping. On stage entertainment 5-9:30 pm Thursday, 12 noon-10 pm Friday, 10 am-10 pm Saturday, 10 am-1:30 pm Sunday. blist-f@blisteredfingers.com, www.blisteredfingers.com, 873-6539.

Oakland

• The free Big Green Egg Cooking Academy, 10 am-12 pm, on Saturday, September 7 at Somerset Stone Center is open to all, and there will be grilling throughout the day - with samples for everyone

cooked by Master Egg chef and culinary expert. To register call 465-9800.

Skowhegan

• From Lake George Regional Park in Canaan to Somerset Sports & Fitness in Skowhegan, the September 15 Sprint Triathlon is a unique point to point swim (1/4 mile - 500 meter), bike (15 mile) and run (3.5 mile). The swim begins at the East Shore at 9 am and circles the island, where spectators will be able to see the entire event. The bike is flat country road. And the run is an out and back along the scenic River Walk. 474-2224t

Thorndike

• A public Chicken Barbecue will be held Saturday, September 7 at the Thorndike Congregational Church starting at 11:30 am for \$8. A yard sale, also at the church, will start at 9 am. 948-2455

Vienna

• The free exhibit "Working Women of Vienna and Mount Vernon 1900s to 1950s" will run every Saturday 11 am-1 pm through the end of October at the historical society building, Route 41, Vienna Village. Over a hundred women are represented with a photo and description. 293-4815h

Waterville

• The Kotlas-Waterville Area Sister City Connection will offer a Russian film course on "War and Peace" with the Mid-Maine Regional Adult Education program on Tuesday, 6-8:30 pm, September 24-November 19 (concluding with a home cooked Russian dinner. 873-5754

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Cobbossee Corner

The Lakes of Maine from a CBI Perspective

By Lauren Beaudoin
Friend's CBI Coordinator



The summer is beginning to wind down, but the lakes of Maine are still busy with boaters out on the water, whether it's to fish, cruise or pull their kids behind on tubes. They are also busy with the Courtesy Boat Inspectors (CBIs) on duty every weekend to fight the battle against invasive plants. The CBIs come from all different agencies around the state including the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, which patrols this area's watershed, spanning from Torsey Pond to Cobbossee Stream. Ten of the busiest boat launches of the Cobbossee Watershed have CBIs inspecting the area in an effort to keep the lakes of Maine clear of invasive plants, which can choke off all other species in the lakes they infest and are very hard to remove. CBIs are the first line of defense in the fight, offering a free inspecting service to each boater before and after they go into our lakes. Along with inspecting the boats, they are teaching and reminding boaters of how to inspect their boats when a CBI is not on patrol.

As part of the 20+ person team of CBIs from the Friends, I spend many weekends on the lake watching and inspecting boats. I am surprised and

impressed everyday by the number of boaters who are cooperative and encouraging to the cause, often offering the information I need before I start my first sentence. They often share with me that they've already washed or checked their boat on their own and am pleased to hear that most take the advice that we give to heart. I am always asked questions about the program and thanked for the service we provide to keep the lake clean. Out of the four years that I have been working as a CBI, I have only been refused an inspection once. I am usually greeted with smiles and hellos of boaters happy to learn and do more to protect their lakes for years to come; they are the greatest and most important ally to keeping our lakes clean.

The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed CBI patrol program has been established for 10 years and has inspected a total of nearly 60,000 boats; 8,700 in 2012 alone. With the help of programs such as these, the spreading of invasive plant infestations has drastically decreased. With infestations in only four water bodies in the district and 48 in the State of Maine as a whole, the Maine Milfoil Program is doing its part to keep the 6,000 Maine lakes and streams clean and enjoyable for all Mainers. 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. The program is also funded by several area business sponsors, including: Knowlton Hewins & Roberts Funeral Homes, Smart Eyecare Center, and Kristie Rowell Insurance Services. For more information on Invasive Aquatic Plants or the Friend's Courtesy Boat Inspector program, please call the Friends office at 621-4100 or visit the website at www.watershedfriends.com.



....Katy's continued from page 11

tears welling up in her eyes intensified this statement. There was no false emotion here. It was the real thing. There are a couple more "for instances" I lined up ready to tell you but I suspect you've already got the point. Not for a minute do I believe people who tell me their thoughts are different from others. Perhaps

it's because I am looking for such statements – and, hopefully, remember them when things look bleak in my life. What I know is that such stories are too precious to keep to myself.

Often people say "there's no good news in the papers these days." Such a collection of short vignettes that I have recounted refutes that statement.



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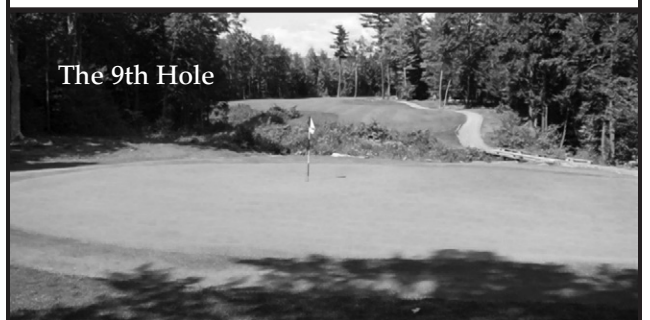
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—The Luckiest Boy—

Jeepers, that doesn't sound like too difficult a question. A camp is ahh, a building yes, well wait a minute, it's a place. Well, maybe it's both, or perhaps it's either, or even neither. Hmmm, guess this needs some lookin' into.

Let's see, the Student Dictionary here says 1. a place with tents or cabins for temporary shelter or 2. a place to live outdoors and sleep under the stars. O.K., that seems to make some sense, but somehow it seems to leave some stones unturned. Now, let's look and see what the Oxford English Dictionary has to say. There are several columns here, starting with the word's derivation from the Old North French language and prior to that traced way back to the Roman era, and the Latin word "campus." Campus was then what the Romans called a field, field of tournament, field of battle, place for games—and so on. A notation was made that in 540, the youth of Rome pitched their sudden camp before their foe. Then we see encampment used and the verb forms: to pitch one's camp, to remain or live in a camp, to camp out. Whoa, this is getting complicated, maybe a little over our Maine heads. Let's range back into this era and look for the answer. I thought a good start would be to ask some other folks, both those that live here and some from away what "camp" means to them. You know, like what is conjured up in your mind when the word is spoken. No harm in askin'.

Nothing like starting at home. My wife Doris says that she's camped in tents in her youth while crossing the USA, later in a tiny towable camper, then a rustic building on an island and later in a very nice lodge. For her, the word camp is a place or a building, but more importantly for her, the word conjures up a common thread of positive and happy memories which include: friends and family, outdoors, nature, good times and laughter, among others too numerous to list. She also points out that camps and camping are a way of life for many Mainers and also create employment in various forms.

The Bucknam family, camp owners here in Maine, had these things to say: Andy quotes his college professor as saying "a camp is a place with no running water." Heather says "we call our place a camp as it fits in with local lingo." Timmy says, "it's a place that is isolated and remote, not a bad thing." Amanda says "the schedule is different at camp than at home--and there's donuts from Day's store!"

To Ralph and Jean Pope from Arrowsic, Maine,

Chapter XII – What's a Camp?

by Rod Johnson



the word camp brings up images of opening their old log place in spring. "The bathtubs and sinks were often full of spiders and daddy longlegs, as well as bureau drawers with acorns and mouse poop from winter residents. There were always docks to fix, brush to cut, boats to launch and motors to start. The magic part was the future it promised; a summer of fun, fishing, and for the kids, freedom to explore and rekindle wonderful connections with friends."

Joan Witkin, summer resident from New York, lists the ingredients of her magical images of camp. She says, "of course there's the more obvious magical parts, the lake, the loons, beautiful trees and shoreline just to name a few." An added extra for Joan and her husband Bill are feelings generated from the fact they are the current owners and caretakers of a 120-year-old log camp with outbuildings on an island. As the fourth owners, Joan and Bill feel a reverence for the property and for previous owners, as well as a responsibility to maintain the originality of the buildings, land and the continuity of purpose. A letter found under a table leaf from the original owner helps trace the minimal changes to the place over a century of time. A draw full of "unidentifiable" kitchen tools and appliances also verify the desire to carry forth and maintain. Last but not least says Joan, "the bonding that has taken place here during our 30 year tenure, both with local people as well as friends and family, has created an irreplaceable common denominator."

In summing up the definition of "camp," in no short order, it seems the word means an array of many different things to many different people. We've heard definitions and ideas including: a desirable place to go that is away from home, usually away from normal work and hectic schedules. A place to kick back a bit, squander time without a schedule, a place to reconnect with old friends and meet some new ones. A place to rejuvenate the mind and body. A place to watch nature carry on itself and feel a part of it. A place to carry out favorite activities. All in all, it seems the word "camp" is surely not just a building, and the word "place" is by far the most commonly used. Maybe the Romans had it right. WHATSA CAMP TO YOU?

Author's Note: As the 2013 *Summertime In The Belgrades* comes to a close, I want to thank any and all who read and hopefully enjoyed The Luckiest Boy series. Thanks to editor Esther Perne and others who make the paper possible, including article contributors and advertisers. The Luckiest Boy 12 story series, including pictures and a glossary of Quips and Quotes will be available this late fall. If you'd care to order a copy or copies for your camp library or for gifts, call Rod or Doris Johnson for particulars at 495-3302, or e-mail us at rodorjohn@hotmail.com. Thanks again, Rod

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Fishing

It's Hard to Say Goodbye

by Mike Guarino



J.J. caught this huge smallmouth last week on Snow Pond.

expert casters and fish catching machines! So many examples but one that really sticks into my mind is Andrew Volkers who comes up and stays at Whisperwood Lodge with his dad Russ. These guys are icons at Whisperwood and I'm privileged to be their friend. The first time Andrew and I fished together he was only 13 and just learning modern fishing methods. Now he's a grown man and out-fishes just about everyone with precision casting and a knack for catching the big one. Fishing is in his blood and it's been a joy watching him develop into an expert! We got to fish this past week for largemouth and some northern pike. The bite was really good, and he actually caught big largemouth, smallmouth, northern pike and pickerel all in the same day.



Andrew Volkers from Connecticut with another beautiful Belgrade largemouth bass

Saying goodbye to both "Summertime in the Belgrades" and guiding/living here for 20 years is very difficult, but change is good for a human and this is going to be a huge change! While I'm looking forward to exploring the Bar Harbor/Acadia National Park area with my family and experiencing all its beauty, leaving such a wonderful place as the Belgrades is not easy. How do you say goodbye to your home? There's so much to cherish here: the people, the lakes, the fishing, the hunting, the hiking ... it's a dreamland ... its home. Personally I'll miss the people most. When you do what I do, you make lifelong friends; people you care about even if you only see them once or twice a year. Guides find themselves looking forward to seeing their "sports" when they visit for vacation, and I'm going to miss all my friends very, very much.

Rather than being sad and melancholy, I'd rather say goodbye with a smile on my face and keep the memories that will forever be burned into my mental CD. The best part has been watching youngsters grow up from year to year and seeing them go from "duffer" fishermen to

That's what the Belgrades offer to anglers, a smorgasbord of fish and a chance at a trophy around every turn. We caught some fish on live bait and some on spinner baits and swim baits, too. Russ caught a big largemouth on a 6 inch Senko rigged Texas Style. During the heat of the summer, larger baits seem to work better for big fish. The largemouth don't want to expend energy unless there's a meal worth eating – you know the old saying ... big bait = big fish.

A few years ago my friend and fellow Belgrader Dr. George Spann was retiring as President of Thomas College (my alma mater). George and I are friends and can talk candidly about any topic. When he was giving his goodbye speech at TC, just before they dedicated a building to him and his wife, George said goodbye but didn't say thank you to any specific people. There were just too many to thank and the fear of leaving someone out is horrifying. I couldn't agree more, so in my last article, I leave my friends with this personal thought:

Thank you all so much for making my time in the Belgrades so special and memorable. The

Belgrade Lakes are an amazing place that can change a person, make them understand how extraordinary their surroundings are. Loons, fish, deer and eagles are only part of the scene. Watching the pollen blow off the pines in the springtime or the lupine bloom in the fields is only part of the beauty. Thunderstorms rolling across the lake or two-foot blizzards are only part of the power. What I will never forget are the people who make the Lakes Region tick. You are the true beauty and I thank you so very much for all the memories. Please, everyone, take care of our lakes. They are so precious and special. I wish you all tight lines, big smiles and everlasting memories. Good Luck this week.

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...Saturday 9/14 - Autumn Pie and Arts, music on the lawn, pie sale, mansion tours, a Victorian fashion show, concert (\$15), a delicious homemade dinner (\$12), admission \$5, 1-4 pm, Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, 897-4366, 290 Norlands Road, Livermore.

...Sunday 9/15 - Lake George-Somerset Sports & Fitness point-to-point Sprint Triathlon, 474-2224, Lake George Regional Park, Route 2, Canaan.

...Sunday 9/15 through Saturday 9/21 - Farmington Fair, large midway, exhibit halls, livestock exhibits, animal pull events, harness racing, food, fun, special days for seniors, children, 778-6083, Fairgrounds, Farmington.

...Thursday 9/19 through Sunday 9/29 - "Patience," by Gilbert & Sullivan, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...Friday 9/20 - 10th Annual Thomas College Lunder Scholars Golf Invitational, 8 am registration and continental breakfast, 9 am shotgun start, 1 pm catered luncheon, 859-1167, Belgrade Lakes Golf Club, West Road, Belgrade Lakes.

...Friday 9/20 - "Southern Europe," by Marlin Darrah, France, Spain and Turkey - natural wonders, architectural treasures, cultural and artistic highlights, 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation, Sawyer Road, Greene.

...Friday 9/20 through Sunday 9/22 - Common Ground Fair, a celebration of rural life, demonstrations, Maine-organic produced foods and crafts as well as livestock

Belgrade Vacation Rentals, 81 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-4011, www.belgradevacationrentals.com

Castle Island Camps, American Plan, Castle Island Rd, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3312, www.castleislandcamps.com

The Village Inn, 1 & 2 bedroom suites, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-3553, www.villageinnducks.com

Whisperwood Cottages, American Plan, boat rentals, 103 Taylor Woods Rd, Belgrade, 465-3983, www.whisperwoodlodge.com

Wings Hill Inn, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2400, 866-495-2400, www.wingshillinn.com

exhibits, www.mofga.org, 568-4142, Fairground, Unity.

...Saturday 9/21 - Monthly Bean Supper, all you can eat, to benefit "Words For Thirds" program giving dictionaries to all the 3rd grade students in Rome, Belgrade, Sidney and Oakland, 4:30-6 pm, tickets \$7, under 5 free, family of 4 or more \$20, Mt. Philip Grange, Routes 225 and 27, Rome.

...Wednesday 9/25 - "Forever Young, Historic Photographs of Maine Children," presented by State Historian Earle Shettleworth, 7 pm, 474-6632, Margaret Chase Smith Library Auditorium, Skowhegan.

...Friday 9/27 - 20th Annual Rise 'N Shine 5K Road Race, sponsored by Kennebec Savings Bank, 6:32 am, 622-5801, Kennebec Savings, State Street, Augusta.

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• Camp Ray of Hope, offered by Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, is still accepting registrations for the fall session, September 13-15. The camp is an annual retreat at Friends Camp in South China for Maine families and individuals who have experienced the death of a significant person in their lives. \$60 per person, \$180 for family of 3 or more, scholarships available. 873-3615

• Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area is offering many bereavement support groups this fall, including groups for Widows, Men, Parents, Siblings and Grief Through the Holidays. Most are scheduled to begin September 16. There is no charge to attend. 873-3615

• Colby's expanded museum is one of area's premier visitor resources. The Colby College Museum of Art, which reopened in July with seven exhibitions, now offers free to the public one of the most important private collections of American art ever assembled. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am-5 pm and Sunday, noon to 5 pm. www.colby.edu/museum, 859-5600

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• **Belgrade Lakes Golf Club**, lunch/snacks, West Rd, Belgrade Lakes, 495-4653, www.belgradelakesgolf.com
 • **Pete's Pig**, 81 Main St., Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-4095, www.petespig.com
 • **The Village Inn**, Rte. 27, Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-3553, www.villageinnducks.com
 • **Whisperwood**, Salmon Lake/McGrath Pond, 103 Taylor Woods Rd, Belgrade, open to the public by reservation only, 465-3983, www.whisperwoodlodge.com
 • **Wings Hill Inn and Restaurant**, Rt. 27, Belgrade Lakes Village, 495-2400 or 800-495-2400, www.wingshillinn.com

Fairfield

• **Cacciatores**, 29 Main St, Fairfield, 872-9700, www.cacciatores.com

Oakland

• **Alden Camps**, Lunch or dinner by reservations, Sat. - Wed., space permitting, 3 Alden Camps Cove, Oakland. 465-7703. www.aldencamps.com
 • **Riverside Farm Market & Cafe**, 291 Fairfield St, Oakland, 465-4439. www.riversidefarmmarket.com

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• **Lobster Trap & Steakhouse**, 21 Bay St, Winslow. 872-0529. www.lobstertrap-seafood.com.

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Belgrade Cottages Guide Service, fishing, lake tours, canoe/kayak trips and rentals. 9 Bass Lane, Belgrade, 495-9217, 242-9958, 314-8469, www.belgradecottages.com

Maine Wilderness Tours, fishing, canoeing/kayaking, lobster picnic, bird watching, 7 Croquet Lane, Belgrade, 465-4333, www.MaineWildernessTours.com

Somerset Stone Center, canoe and kayak sales, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

ANTIQUES

Barbara’s Antique & Collectibles Group Shoppe, Rt 201, 414 Lakewood Rd, Madison, 474-2550, 474-8357

APPLIANCES

Brown House Appliances, 71 Francis St, Waterville, 873-4777, www.brownhouseproperties.com

BANKING

Kennebec Savings Bank, 150 State St, Augusta, 622-5801, www.kennebecsavings.com

Maine State Credit Union, 200 Capitol St, Augusta, 623-1851, www.mainestatecu.org

Skowhegan Savings Bank, 450 Civic Center Drive, Route 27, Augusta, 1-800-303-9511, 623-2300, www.skowsavings.com

BEVERAGES

Jokas’ Discount Beverage, 52 Front St, Waterville, 873-6228, www.jokas.net

Tree Spirits, 152 Fairfield St, Oakland, 861-2723, www.treespiritsofmaine.com

BICYCLES

Auclair Cycle & Ski, 64 Bangor St, Augusta, 623-4351, www.auclaircycle.com

BOATS

(Besides the categories immediately following, see Canoes and Kayaks, Docks, and Boat Repair.)

BOAT COVERS

Waterville Upholstery & Canvas, 1042 Kennedy Memorial Dr, Oakland, 465-7847

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Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemiquire, Portland, Skowhegan, 866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

BOAT MOORINGS

Great Pond Marina, 25 Marina Dr, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, www.greatpondmarina.com

BOAT RENTALS

Belgrade Canoe & Kayak, Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-2005, www.kayakandcanoe.com
Castle Island Camps, Castle Island Rd, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3312, www.castleislandcamps.com

Great Pond Marina, 25 Marina Dr , Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, www.greatpondmarina.com

Whisperwood Cottages, 103 Taylor Woods Rd, Belgrade, 465-3983, www.whisperwoodlodge.com

BOAT REPAIR

Belgrade Boat Shop, 769 Oakland Rd, Belgrade, 465-9720, 485-6953

Brightside Wooden Boat Services, 21 Hulin Rd, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3680, 778-1706, www.brightsidewoodenboat.com

BOAT SALES AND SERVICES

Belgrade Canoe & Kayak, Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-2005, www.kayakandcanoe.com

Clark Marine, 57 Puddledock Rd, Manchester, 622-7011, mail@clarkmarine.biz, funonthewaterstartshere.com

Hamlin’s Marine, 290 West River Road, Waterville, 872-5660, www.hamlinsmarine.com

Mid-Maine Marine and RV, 885 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-2146, www.midmainemarine.com

Somerset Stone Center, canoe and kayak sales, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

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

BOAT STORAGE

Belgrade Boat Storage, 46 Oakland Road, Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, www.belgradeboatstorage.com

Belgrade Lakes Marine and Storage, Inc, 366 Augusta Rd, Belgrade, 495-2378, www.belgradelakesmarine.com

Clark Marine, 57 Puddledock Road, Manchester, 622-7011; and Rt 202, Monmouth, mail@clarkmarine.biz, funonthewater-startshere.com

Great Pond Marina, 25 Marina Dr, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, www.greatpondmarina.com

Hamlin’s Marine, 290 West River Rd, Waterville, 872-5660, www.hamlinsmarine.com

Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Rd, Rt 135, Belgrade, 495-2191, 441-5529

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

BOOKS

Children’s Book Cellar, 52 Main St, Waterville, 872-4543, kidsbookseller@myfairpoint.net

Charles S. Pierce Bookseller, 11 Lakeshore Dr, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3465

The People’s Book Shop, 605 Wings Mill Road, Mount Vernon/Belgrade line, 620-2392

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

Jokas’ Discount Beverages, 52 Front St, Waterville, 873-6228, www.jokas.net

BUILDERS

(See also Kitchens, Plumbing, and Excavating)

All Season Home Improvement Co., 823 Church Hill Road, Augusta, 626-3039, 1-800-464-3039, www.all-season.com

Craig’s Carpentry/North Bay Estates, Rt 8, North Belgrade, Craig Alexander, 649-3749

G&L Contracting, 116 Lakeshore Dr, Belgrade Lakes, 495-9009, gandlcontractingmaine.com

LakeHouse Renovations, 242-3663, www.lakehousedesignbuild.com

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BUILDING MATERIALS

Gagne and Son, 28 Old Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-3313, www.gagneandson.com

Hammond Lumber Company, Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay Harbor, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemiquire, Portland, Skowhegan, 866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

CANOES AND KAYAKS

Belgrade Canoe & Kayak, sales and rentals, Route 27, Belgrade, 495-2005, www.kayakandcanoe.com

Belgrade Cottages Guide Service, trips and rentals. 9 Bass Lane, Belgrade, 314-8469, www.belgradecottages.com

Kimball Pond Boat Barn, wood-canvas canoe restoration, 23 Day Road, Vienna, 249-2814, 578-0876

Somerset Stone Center, sales, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

CLOTHING

New Balance Factory Outlet, 12 Walnut St, Skowhegan, 474-6231, www.newbalance.com, nbfactorystore.com

COMPUTER CONSULTANTS

Macintosh Solutions Consultant, Michael Breault, 24 Welch Rd, Wilton, 645-5083, cell 578-0226, m.o.breault@michaelbreault.net, www.michaelbreault.net

DINING

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DOCKS

G&L Contracting, 116 Lakeshore Dr, Belgrade Lakes, 495-9009, gandlcontractingmaine.com

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

Somerset Stone Center, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

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

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Maine-ly Elder Care, 28 Center St, Oakland, 465-3249, www.maine-lyeldercare.com

ENGINEERING

Thayer Engineering, septic design, storm water mitigation, permitting, 17 Hasson St, Farmingdale, 582-7762,

EXCAVATING

Belgrade Boat Storage, 41 Pinkham’s Cove Rd, Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, www.BelgradeBoatStorage.com

David Stevens, P.O.Box 146, Belgrade, 465-3815, cell 314-0314

EYE CARE

Maine Eye Care Associates, 325 E. Kennedy Memorial Dr, Waterville, 873-2731, www.MaineEyeCare.com

FARMSTANDS

Riverside Farm Market & Cafe, 291 Fairfield St, Oakland, 465-4439, www.riversidefarmmarket.com



Winterberry Farm, 538 Augusta Rd, Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-2593, www.winterberryfarmstand.com

FINANCIAL PLANNING

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

HEALTH CENTERS

Belgrade Regional Health Center, 4 Clement Way, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3323, www.healthreachchc.org
Inland Hospital, 200 Kennedy Memorial Dr., Waterville, 861-3000, 1-800-491-8600, www.inlandhospital.org
Inland Family Care, Oakland 465-7342

ICE CREAM

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

JEWELRY

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

KITCHENS

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

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
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, 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
Day’s Store, 180 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

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

PICTURE FRAMING

The Framemakers, 46 Main St, Waterville, 872-8927, www.theframemakers.com

PLUMBING

Paul Hanna's Plumbing, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3805

PRINT, MAIL & MORE

Color Storm, Inc, Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 592-5990

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS

North Bay Estates, Belgrade, 649-3749, crgsnbe@yahoo.com

REAL ESTATE

Coldwell Banker Thomas Agency, 75 Main St, Winthrop, 377-2121, www.coldwellbankerthomas.com
Day's Real Estate, 262 Augusta Rd, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3111, 1-888-495-3111, www.daysrealestate.com
Lakepoint Real Estate, 221 Main St, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3700, www.belgradelakepoint.com
Sprague & Curtis Real Estate, 75 Western Ave, Augusta, 623-1123, www.spragueandcurtis.com

RESERVATIONS

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RESTAURANTS

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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

Ballard Meats & Seafood, 55 Myrtle St, Manchester, 622-9764, 1-800-564-6328
Day’s Store, 180 Main St, Rt 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com
Lobster Trap & Steakhouse, 15 Bay St, Winslow, 872-0529, www.lobstertrap-seafood.com

SECURITY SYSTEMS

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

SELF STORAGE

Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Rd., Rt 135, Belgrade, 495-2191

SHOES AND SNEAKERS

New Balance Factory Outlet, 12 Walnut St, Skowhegan, 1-877-623-7867, www.newbalance.com

SPAS

Belgrade Lakes Wellness Center and Day Spa, 495-2560, www.belgradelakesdayspa.com

STONEWORK

Gagne and Son, 28 Old Rt 27, Belgrade, 495-3313, 1-800-339-3313, www.gagneandson.com
Somerset Stone Center, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

STOVES

Somerset Stone Center, 1078 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-9800, www.somersetstonecenter.com

SURVEYING

Acme Land Surveying, 108 Fairbanks Rd., Suite 5, Farmington, 778-4801, www.acmelandsurveying.com
Thayer Engineering, septic design, storm water mitigation, permitting, 17 Hasson St, Farmingdale, 582-7762,

THEATER

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

VETERINARY SERVICES

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

WINDOWS

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- Conservation Too -

The past couple of years have seen an increase in terrestrial invasives. And some of my recent LakeSmart Evaluations have provided plenty of evidence.

While we continue to focus much of our attention on controlling aquatic invasives, there is a lot more land cover than water cover out there. Only 17% of the Belgrades Watershed is water covered. And of that water, less than 5,500 acres will support milfoil growth [water depths of under 15 ft]. Only 11% of the Cobbossee Watershed is water covered. And of that, less than 4,700 acres will support milfoil growth. These are rough estimates but make the point that the land base is far larger than the "milfoil threatened" area.

Point being that there is a great deal more land that is being invaded than water.

What are the culprits? Well...many of the plants read like a world atlas i.e. Japanese Barberry, Oriental Bittersweet, Norway Maple, Canadian Thistle and Russian Olive are just a few. This year seems to have far more Multi Flora Rose, Japanese Knotweed [bamboo] and Russian/Autumn Olive. Your back yards are feeling the pressure of these invasive plants. Naturally, there is a long list of other invasive plants [check out



Burning Bush in fall.

<http://www.maine.gov/doc/nrimc/mnap/features/invasives.htm> for both a list and pictures]. The Natural Areas Program also has a good website at www.maine.gov/doc/nrimc/mnap/features/invsheets.htm. If you have the chance, stop at a Cooperative Extension office and pick up some of their handouts.

In most cases, trying to control their spread is difficult. First you need to recognize that there is a problem. That occasional plant out back with interesting foliage and a pretty flower might become a thick bank of vegetation if you leave it. Take a look along the edge of the woods on your property and note the occasional spring clusters of white flowers which indicate Multi Flora Rose.

So Many Invasives, We are International in Scope

Next year that small patch of white flowers will be joined by additional mounds of nasty thorn covered plants. Removal is much more difficult. Before long that area can become a breeding ground of fruit and seeds which get spread to neighboring properties.

Our natural landscape is part of what Maine is all about. Its future depends on the choices we make. When buying plants or moving them from place to place, consider whether the plants are likely to escape. Plants advertised as fast growing, prolific, and soil tolerant are often the ones that become invasive. Note the popularity and the spread of the *Euonymus alata* ["Burning Bush"]. Maine just won't be Maine if the plants dominating our landscape are all from away. As Harry Potter's professor, Mad Eye Moody, would say, 'constant vigilance'.

- Replace invasive plants in your garden with non-invasive alternatives.

- DO NOT attack the problem with indiscriminant herbicides. They may have a place in the battle but they are not a magic bullet. Be careful with their use.

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



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



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Summer 2013

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If you have a minor health condition such as poison ivy, a fish hook, laceration, etc, please try to call before arriving at the health center. We accept patients on a walk-in basis, but you will be asked to wait until our regularly scheduled patients are seen. If you call ahead, we can give you a scheduled appointment and likely reduce your wait.

We are located at 4 Clement Way, just off Route 27, 3 miles north of the intersection of Routes 27 and 135. We look forward to seeing you for any of your healthcare concerns.

Sincerely,

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NEW LISTING- AUGUSTAE — Beautiful & charming 2BR home in a delightful east side neighborhood. Very well maintained, HW floors, nice woodwork & moldings. Lots of updates, front porch & back deck, 1 car. Convenient location. Lots to offer. A lovely intown home. **MLS 1105925 \$135,900**



NEW LISTING- THREE CORNER POND-AUGUSTA — Immaculate 3BR, 2BA Cape. Boat launch & dock. Professionally designed & decorated. Lrg kitchen w/center island, open LR w/gorgeous gas fireplace w/mantle & built-in TV. Attached 1 car grg. Private setting. **MLS 1105585 \$159,900**



NEW LISTING- FARMINGDALE — Immaculate Ranch in excellent condition. Lots of recent updates, great neighborhood, nice lot. Eat in kitchen, LR w/HW floors, lower level rec rm or 3rd BR w/BA, 2 car, newer windows, vinyl siding, roof and furnace! Move right in. Low taxes! **MLS 1105817 \$159,900**



NEW LISTING- MANCHESTER — Beautiful 3BR, 2BTH Manchester Cape, great neighborhood, big yard, LG kitchen, DR, front to back partial FR in SBMT. Attached 2 car. Well maintained. Lots to offer. **MLS 1105898 \$229,900**



NEW LISTING- COCHNEWAGON LAKE-MONMOUTH — Spectacular setting! Dock for a boat plus beach area for swimming! First time on the market! LR w/fireplace, 3BR, 2.5BA, central A/C. Wonderful deck w/awning for relaxing & barbecues! Easy commute to Augusta/Lewiston. **MLS 1105318 \$549,000**



NEW LISTING- MOUNT VERNON — Two story Garrison style home in the country. Offering 4BR, 2BA & a 2 car grg. Spacious rooms, open kitchen/dining room. Easy commute to Augusta. COME SEE! **MLS 1106130 \$175,000**



NEW LISTING- READFIELD — Charming home in the heart of beautiful Kents Hill Village. Stunning views of hills & Torsey lake from several rooms! Offering 3+BR, pleasant kitchen, LR & DR. Beautifully landscaped & fenced yard, garden spot! You'll want to see this home! **MLS 1105720 \$134,900**



NEW LISTING- READFIELD- MOVE IN READY! — Colonial with attached 2 car grg & 28x8 Farmer's porch. 3-4BR, 2BA, stainless steel appliances, HW, tile & carpet flrs. Home sits back from road for extra privacy, yet only minutes from town. A MUST SEE! **MLS 1106075 \$199,900**



NEW LISTING- READFIELD — Beautiful 2008 two story Colonial with dramatic entryway & staircase! Appliance Oak kitchen w/island, HW floors on main level, office, 3BR, 2.5BA, detached grg. Very private with over 20 acres of land! COME SEE! **MLS 1105581 \$249,900**



Business

Anna Held's Cottage: A Post Card From Belgrade's Past

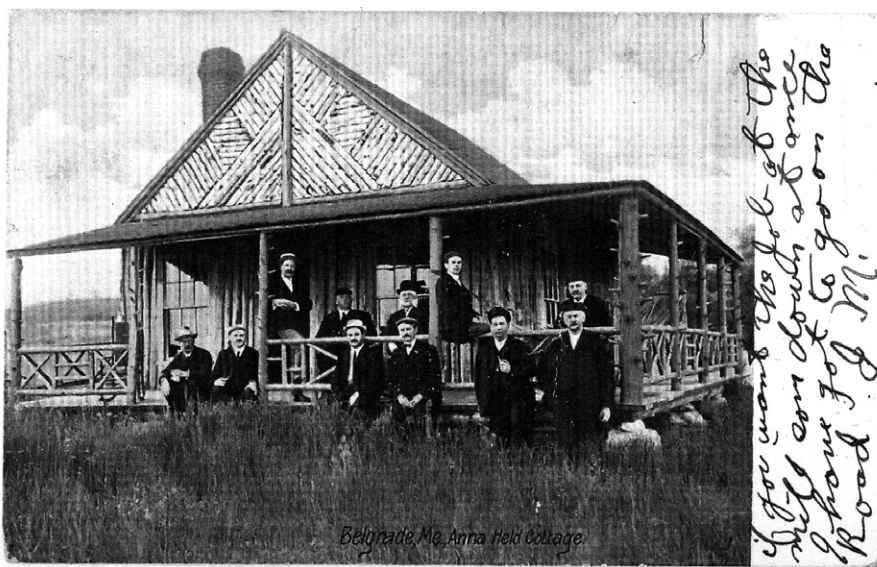
By Charles Pierce

The post card shows a rustic cabin; a large group of men stand in front of it waiting expectantly. Perhaps lovely Anna will emerge and favor them with a song and a smile. The postcard is labeled "Belgrade Me Anna Held Cottage." The postmark is 1908.

Who was Anna Held?

Anna was a star of light musicals and comedy. She claimed to have been born in Paris. Researchers believe she was probably born in Warsaw. In any case, she loved France. Anna was also the first wife of Florenz Ziegfeld and a founder of what became known as the Ziegfeld Follies. Anna first met Ziegfeld in Paris, and for both of them it was love at first sight. At that point, Anna had just begun a career on the stage; Ziegfeld was still an unknown. But romance and finance followed when Ziegfeld convinced Anna to come to America to star on the New York stage. Anna's English was almost non-existent, and she seems to have learned her first roles tentatively trying out English vocabulary and pronunciation. Anna was a beauty. She was around five feet tall with an hour glass figure; her Parisian charm enchanted New York audiences.

How did Anna and Florenz Ziegfeld discover Belgrade? A possible answer is the Belgrade Hotel. At the turn of the century, the Belgrade was new and drew tourists from "away." Anna was friends with Diamond Jim Brady who, in turn, was friends with Lillian Nordica, a famous turn of the century opera star from Farmington, Maine. Perhaps Madame Nordica recommended the Belgrade, and the cottage which one sees was one of the Belgrade's out buildings. But the cottage could have been far from the Belgrade; it looks like many of the turn of the century cabins around the



lakes, most of which have disappeared.

Anna often arrived in Belgrade by train from New York City. And she may have come in her own luxurious railroad car. A train left for Belgrade Lakes from NYC early in the morning and took less than ten hours to reach Belgrade Depot in the late afternoon. A horse drawn carriage or automobile would then take Anna to her Belgrade Lakes destination. Anna Held's arrivals by train were tracked by the local Maine newspapers, and well-wishers and paparazzi were often present to witness her arrivals and departures.

Anna may have had a car in Belgrade Lakes. One photo on Google Images shows her in a car with what looks like a lake in the background. The slope of the ground may indicate she was in front of the Belgrade—where Mrs. Gee's Village Peddler and Charles Pierce

Bookseller now stand. Anna loved cars, she loved speed, and it seems that she learned quickly how to drive—quite a feat in the long dresses at the turn of the century.

In 1918, near the end of the war, Anna became the victim of an incurable bone cancer. By this time, she and Florenz were divorced. Florenz Ziegfeld was married to Billie Burke—the good witch in "The Wizard of Oz." But Florenz knelt at Anna's sick bed as they talked for hours. Sadly, Anna died a few months before the armistice which ended the war. Although Anna Held was one of the greatest stars of her time, she has mostly been forgotten. The post card labeled Anna Held Cottage reminds us that she once enjoyed summers in Belgrade Lakes. Perhaps there is a reader of this column who remembers where Anna Held's cottage once stood?



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HAMILTON POND, BELGRADE: Year round home in Belgrade with 140' frontage on Hamilton Pond. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, Jacuzzi tub, deck, dock, gazebo, heated garage. Very private location. MLS #1090523 **\$189,500.**



LOVEJOY POND, FAYETTE: Year-round living with this cute cottage. Energy efficient w/radiant heat & a wine cellar. Pvt natural setting. Canoe or kayak and enjoy swimming at the association beach close by. MLS #1089585 **\$219,900.**



GREAT POND, ROME: Vintage cottage completely renovated right on the shore w/amazing lake views. 3BR, living room, den, dining area w/cathedral ceiling. Enjoy sitting in your covered porch with a deck facing the lake. MLS #1093005 **\$350,000.**



McGRATH POND, OAKLAND: Quality 3-floor multi-level Contemp, open concept, lakeside wrap-around decks, pvt well landscaped lot. Slate, ceramic and parquet hardwood flrs, track lighting, artesian well, Russian FP, plus Guest Cabin! MLS #1105283 **\$449,000.**



LONG POND ACCESS, BELGRADE: Open sunny 3BR Contemp w/deeded access & your own priv. dock/mooring on Long Pond. 1st flr Master BR suite w/new tile shower, lge closets throughout. Cath ceiling, LR w/fireplace, lge gar, patio, deck. MLS #1043820 **\$274,900.**



PARKER POND, MT VERNON: Custom crafted w/200ft frontage. Post/Beam 3BR/2BA, open concept hearth w/wood-stove for cool evenings. Oversized windows, 3 sliding glass doors exit to lge deck/screen porch overlooking water. MLS #1083720 **\$499,900**



BELGRADE STREAM, BELGRADE: Exceptional bldg lot 5.4 ac, 271 ft stream front. Direct access to Long Pond. Just minutes to Belgrade Lake amenities. Less than 20 min to Augusta, Waterville, Farmington. Property is pvt and wooded. MLS #1096241 **\$99,000**



GREAT POND, ROME: Yr-round just steps from the water. Creative style with mix of rustic & elegance. Wide pine flrs, granite, 2 fireplaces, screened porch, unique wood & stone work. 2 car gar w/bonus rm. Views from every room! MLS #1101987 **\$435,000.**



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