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Happiness Is: The Tourists In Town

by Esther J. Perne

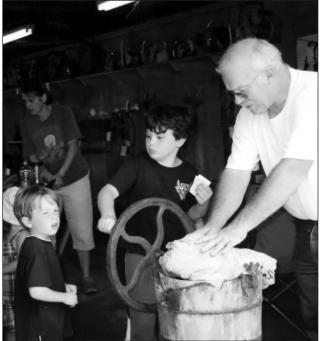
he best part of the summer season – the tourist invasion – is here. Families with pets and children in overpacked vehicles started crossing the border the day before the day before the long holiday weekend, cleverly making it even longer, bringing with them that endearing visitor sense of patience and appreciation and absolute love for Maine vacationland.

With cheerful abandon they stroll along our sidewalks in convoys, wait in line in crowded stores, pay the seemingly higher summer prices, venture out through the challenges of Maine's wait-a-minute weather and exude affection – for where they are, for whom they're with, for the fact that they are on vacation, by golly, and it will be fun













The laughter of tourists, their smiles, their family-ness, the way the descend on ice cream shops and flock around gift stores with an appetite to seize the moment adds a warm dimension to the way life should be. When they disappear for the night or meals or naps or time out we just know they will enjoy that, too, and will reappear armed with maps and lists of events and will embark on simple, obvious, rewarding quests which we could - but don't.

The best quality of tourists is that they inspire non-tourists – us, as opposed to them - to think about joining the tourist brigade, maybe not yet, but soon. The event calendar is full and waiting for us, too, isn't it?

In the meantime, on hot summer days, why don't we line up for an ice cream, just like a tourist. It's o.k.

Happiness is the tourists in town. Thank you, tourists!









The Magic of Movies

by Gregor Smith

Come experience the magic of movies! The seventeenth annual Maine International Film Festival will bring cinematic offerings spanning the continents and the decades to the Waterville Opera House and Railroad Square Cinema. The festival runs from Friday, July 11 to Sunday, July 20.

The magic comes not from special effects — few MIFF films have many of those — but from the power of storytelling, from the ability of the director and actors to transport you to another land or another time, all without your leaving the comfort of a padded seat in an air-conditioned movie theater.

Sadly, it is not possible to describe more than a fraction of the festival's nearly 100 features and shorts here, so we'll just hit a few highlights from the first seven days. (We'll discuss the closing weekend in a separate article next week.) We encourage you to visit the MIFF website, www.miff.org, or to pick up a copy of the festival broadsheet, available at Railroad Square, the Opera House, and many other places around Greater Waterville, so that you can learn about all the films and associated events and can then decide for yourself what to see and do.

The festival opens at 6:30 Friday at the Opera House with a screening of Boyhood from director Richard Linklater. Filmed over twelve years, Boyhood takes the audience along on Mason's (Ellar Coltrane's) journey to adulthood, as he and the other members of his film family (parents Ethan

Hawke and Patricia Arquette and sister Lorelei Linklater) literally age before our eyes. According to the MIFF website, "Boyhood charts the rocky terrain of childhood like no other film has before. Snapshots of adolescence from road trips and family dinners, to birthdays and graduations and all the moments in between become transcendent, . . . Boyhood is both a nostalgic time capsule of the recent past and an ode to growing up and parenting."

Saturday, July 12, is Making it in Maine Day. The day opens at 10:00 a.m. with a brunch for filmmakers at the Hathaway Creative Center on Water Street and continues at 12:30 with a screening of A Chair Fit for an Angel at Railroad Square. This unusual documentary blends excerpts from a Finnish dance piece inspired by Shaker music and dance with footage from the world's last active Shaker community, the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village in New Gloucester.

At 2:30 in the Studio Theater (93 Main St., Waterville), Golden Pond playwright Ernest Thompson will lead a free workshop for actors, directors, writers, and others who are interested in how films are made. The following afternoon, at 3:30 in the Opera House, he will introduce a screening of Heavenly Angle, his most recent exercise in community filmmaking. He is now looking for actors for his next film, Elysian Farm.

At 3:30 on Saturday, the Opera House will present a program of five short films by Maine film-

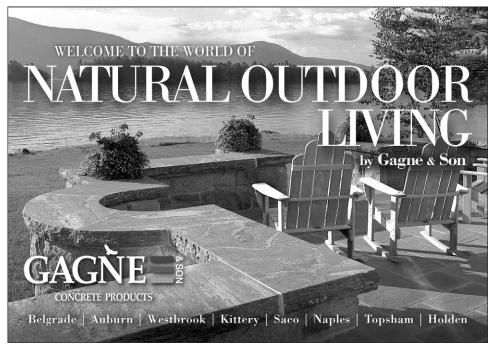


Glenn Close in Dangerous Liaisons

makers, and at 7:00, will screen an assemblage of archival silent films from the early 20th-Century showing everything from blueberry farming to ice harvesting, with live accompaniment by Jeff Beam, a Portland performer of atmospheric rock. The day concludes with Extending the Play, a documentary about Maine native and European professional basketball player, Bracey Ulin, at 9:15 at Railroad Square.

On Sunday, MIFF will bestow its Mid-Life Achievement Award upon actress Glenn Close at the Opera House. Each year, MIFF presents its moose trophy to a filmmaker who has accomplished much, but still has more to offer. The past winners are actors Keith Carradine (2013), Malcolm McDowell (2011), John Turturro (2008), Bud Cort (2007), Lili Taylor (2005), Ed Harris (2004), Peter Fonda (2003), and Sissy Spacek (2001); directors

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Strength By Association: It's Annual Meeting Time...

 \mathbf{M} eet, greet, mingle and learn more about the lakes and the lake associations in the Belgrades. Visit the association for your watershed – where you live, vacation, work or play - or visit them all:

East Pond Association

Date: Saturday, July 19 Time: 10 am-noon

Place: Birchcrest off Bricket Point Road, East Pond Road, Oakland

Program: Business meeting, committee reports, cook out

Contact: www.eastpond.org

Belgrade Lakes Association Great Pond and Long Pond

Date: Tuesday, July 29

Time: 4-6 pm

Place: Belgrade Lakes Golf Course

Cost: cash bar; hors d'oeuvres catered by Wings Hill

Program: Speakers – Dr. Whitney King (Colby College): "Belgrade Lakes Watershed Project;" Toni Pied: Milfoil Coordination

Efforts; Logan Parker: LakeSmart

Contact: www.belgradelakesassociation.com, 512-5150

Friends of Messalonskee

Place: Waterville Country Club, off KMD, Oakland

Date: Sunday, August 3

Time: 3:30-5:30 pm – starts with 'social on the green' Program: Lake Updates & Issues that affect us. Contact: www.friendsofmesalonskee.com, 660-5168

RSVP to friends of messalonskee@hotmail.com or 465-8333

North Pond Association

Place: Fairview Grange, Smithfield

Date: Saturday, August 9

Time: 4-6 pm

Program: 4-5 pm Social Hour – enjoy appetizers and a cold beverage

5-6 pm Meeting

6 pm Kayak Raffle Drawing, Buffer Plant Give Away

Cost: Free, must RSVP by August 6

Contact: *Jodie@northpond.net*, 362-5533, 362-5013 You don't have to be a member to attend!

McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association

Date: Thursday, August 14

Time: 6:30 pm

Place: North Belgrade Community Center, Route 8

Contact: 465-3072

Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance

Date:: Tuesday, September 2

Time: 5:15 pm

Place: Alden Camps, 3 Alden Camps Cove, Route 225, Oakland

Contact: www.belgradelakes.org, 495-6039



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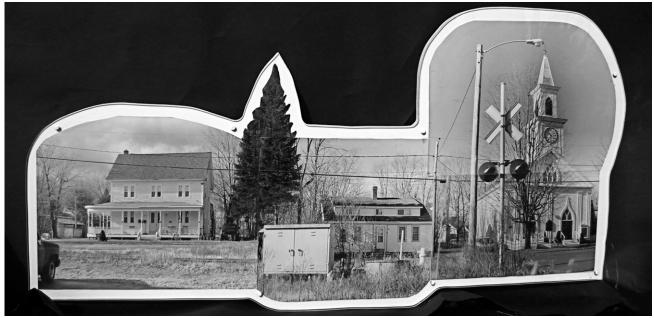
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Legacies

30 Years of Marriage & Art - Jane Frost & Lloyd Ferriss



Pleasant St. Panorama

The Kennebec Valley Art Association is pleased to present 30 Years of Marriage & Art, featuring photographs by Lloyd Ferriss plus oil and pastel works by Jane Frost, at the lobby gallery at 45 Memorial Circle in Augusta. The show is on view July 1 through August 15, 2014. The installation is open 9am-9pm daily. It may be viewed from outside the building, and is lighted at night. Jane Frost and Lloyd Ferriss live in Richmond, Maine, where the Kennebec River and countryside inspire much of their work.

Jane Frost grew up in Caribou, Maine. She received a BA in English Literature from Wheaton College, and went on to receive a

BA in graphic arts from the Rhode Island School of Design. Jane was employed by the Massachusetts Audubon Society, where she worked in public relations and design. Returning to Maine, she illustrated books for the Maine Department of Conservation and continued public relations work. For 25 years Jane taught art at Marcia Buker Elementary School in Richmond.

Lloyd Ferriss is a native of Huntington, New Film Photographers.

York, who earned a BA in English Literature For more inforfrom the University of New Hampshire. For 30 Barron at the Harlow years he wrote and photographed for the Maine or email her at kvaal Sunday Telegram. Lloyd prefers traditional www.harlowgallery.org.



Break Up #2

black & white photography to digital capture of images, though he does both. He is a member of Hallowell-based *Maine Traditional Film Photographers*.

For more information contact Nancy Barron at the Harlow Gallery at (207) 622-3813 or email her at *kvaa@harlowgallery.org*, or visit *www.harlowgallery.org*.







Conservation Too **-**

Native Plants Can Help Create a Pollinator-friendly Landscape

by Dale Finseth re-printed from USDA-NRCS publication

hanks to native plants, we often enjoy aesthetic ▲ benefits offered in our communities by these grasses, shrubs, trees and their flowers. Not only do they add charm and character to land, they also provide important habitat to wildlife like pollinators and insects.

Pollinators are responsible for pollinating more than 80 percent of the world's flowers, globally. Without the hard work of pollinators, our plates would become scrawny and charming landscapes would become an eye sore. That's why it's important to keep bees, butterflies, bats, beetles, moths, birds and other critters around so they can continue providing food, beverages, medicine and fiber – all goods essential to our quality of life.

By providing pollinators key food sources like plants producing abundant nectar and pollen, we are also keeping ourselves healthy since about 1/3 of all the food we eat depends on their pollination. There are many native wildflowers, shrubs and trees that are great food sources and provide habitat for pollinators, including red bud in the spring, butterfly milkweed in the summer, and yellow showy goldenrods in the fall.

Bees are the most important pollinators responsible for healthy American crops and help produce billions in revenue annually. Bees and other critters visit flowers, seeking nectar for energy and pollen for protein. By chance, they may brush against the flowers' reproductive parts, dropping pollen collected from other plants, which, through the phenomenon of plant reproduction, produces our favorite fruits and seeds.

Although pollinators are critically important to our nation's food supply, they are in trouble, but conservation can help. Taking the right steps to create pollinator habitat and healthy forage can help reverse their decline.

- 1. Use pollinator-friendly plants in your landscape like native shrubs, wildflowers, and trees such as cherry, willow, maple, and poplar, which provide pollen or nectar early in the spring when food is scarce. [Take care that the plants have NOT been treated in a manner that will harm the pollinators who use them as has been recently reported in the media].
- 2. Plant a diverse mixture of flowers for spring, summer and fall. Diverse flower colors, shapes, and scents attract a variety of fluttering and crawling pollinator friends. If you have limited space, you can plant flowers in containers on a patio, bal- www.nrcs.usda.gov/pollinators. cony, and even window boxes.
- 3. Find non-chemical solutions to reduce or eliminate the use of pesticides in your landscape. Incorporate plants that attract beneficial insects for pest control and, if you do use pesticides, use them sparingly and responsibly.
- 4. Accept some plant damage on plants meant to provide habitat for butterfly and moth larvae.
 - 5. Provide clean water for pollinators with a

shallow dish, bowl, or birdbath with half-submerged stones for perches.

- 6. Leave dead tree trunks, also called "snags," in your landscape for wood-nesting bees and beetles.
- 7. Support land conservation in your community by helping to create and maintain community gardens and green spaces to ensure that pollinators have appropriate habitat.

Farmers and ranchers are also doing their part to help pollinators. USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service works with private landowners in Maine to create and improve pollinator habitat, offering more than two dozen conservation practices, or activities, that help pollinators.

Fields and forests with wildflowers and other plants are a fortress to pollinators and a great food source. NRCS also provides guidance on ways you can establish and maintain native plants on your

Learn more about pollinators by visiting

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service helps America's farmers and ranchers conserve the nation's soil, water, air and other natural resources. All programs are voluntary and offer science-based solutions that benefit both the landowner and the environment. Learn more at www.me.nrcs.usda.gov.

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- Farmers' Market at the Arboretum, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm
- Art in the Capitol, Maine Arts Commission monthly self-guided exhibits in State House hallways (Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm), Blaine House (call for times), and Maine Arts Commission Office (8:30am-4:30 pm), 287-6746, mainearts.maine.gov
- Children's Discovery Museum, CDM, hands-on displays, activities, Tuesday-Thursday 10 am-4 pm, Friday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 11 am-4 pm, admission, 622-2209, www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org, 171 Capitol Street
- Danforth Gallery, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234, www.uma.edu
- Governor's Mansion, 1830 Blaine House, Tuesday-Thursday
 2-4 pm, 287-2121, www.blainehouse.org, State Street
- Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine, Michael Klahr Center, Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm, 621-3530, www.hhrc.uma.edu, University of Maine at Augusta, off Route 27
- Kennebec Historical Society, Wednesday-Friday 10 am-2 pm, 622-7718, www.kennebechistorical.org, 107 Winthrop Street
- Maine State Museum, Tuesday-Friday 9 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, \$2 adults, \$1 ages 6-18, 287-2301, www.mainestatemuseum.org
- Maine State House, Hall of Flags, House and Senate Rooms, Klir Beck dioramas, Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm, book tours at Maine State Museum, walk-ins welcome 9 am-1 pm, 287-5600, www.maine.gov, State Street
- Maine State Library, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, www.maine.gov/msl/, State Street
- Museum in the Streets, walking/history tour, www.augustamaine.gov, Water Street/downtown
- Old Fort Western, 1754 fort, house, store, 1-4 pm daily, admission \$6, 4-14 years \$4, 626-2385, www.oldfortwestern.org, Cony Street
- Riverfront Park, boat launch, Greenway Trail, playground, eastside Kennebec River
- Kennebec River Rail Trailhead, Maine State Housing Authority parking lot, 623-8162, www.krrt.org, Water Street
- UMA Fitness Trail, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center, Route 27
- Farmers' Market at Mill Park, Tuesday 2-6 pm, 626-2305, www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/, North Water Street
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- Belgrade Historical Society, monthly meetings, 465-7924
- Farmers' Market, Sun 8 am-1 pm, 465-7058, www.belgradelakesfarmersmarket.org, Main Street
- Peninsula Park on Long Pond, picnic tables, Main Street
- Maine Lakes Resource Center, 512-5150, www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org, 137 Main Street

FAIRFIELD

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

FARMINGTON

- Farmington Historical Society, Titcomb House Museum, 778-4275, Wednesday and Saturday, 11 am-2 pm, July-August, 118 Academy Street
- Nordica Homestead Museum, opera singer Lillian Nordica costumes, jewelry, mementos, 778-2042, Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-12 noon and 1-5 pm, Sunday 1-5 pm, www.lilliannordica.com, 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Road
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- Farmers' Market, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wednesday and Saturday 3-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common
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- Museum in the Streets, history/walking tour, www.historichallowell.org, downtown
- Farmers' Market, 622-1350, Sun 3-6 pm, Water Street
- Vaughn Woods, 166 acre park/trails/homestead, Middle Street
- Kennebec River Rail Trail, www.krrt.org, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street
- Waterfront Park, North Water Street

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- Ski Museum of Maine, by appointment, 265-2023, 256 Main Street www.skimuseumofmaine.org
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- Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, 474-9345, www.skowheganart.org, summer evening artists lecture series, East Madison Road

Моммоитн

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

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- New Sharon Historical Society, Saturday 1-3, Routes 2/27

Norridgewock

- Norridgewock Historical Society Museum, 1838 building, Saturday 10 am-3 pm, 634-5032, www.norridgewock.com, Mercer Road, Route 2
- Oosoola Park, picnic area, great playground, boat launch, on Kennebec River, Route 8

OAKLAND

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

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

ROME

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- Trails: Mount Philip on Route 225; The Mountain on Route 27; French's Mountain and 21

on Watson Pond Road; for information call 495-6039 or visit www.belgradelakes.org; maps available at BRCA, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes

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

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- Margaret Chase Smith Library, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, www.mcslibrary.org, free, Monday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm. 54 Norridgewock Ave.
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- Smithfield History Society "The Groves House," 634-4392, 21 Lakeview Drive
- Sunbeam Roller Rink, 362-4951, 830 Village Rd, Route 8
- Sunset Camps, public beach, 362-2611, www.sunsetcamps.com, 834 Village Road, Route 8

UNITY

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

WATERVILLE

- Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT), 873-7000, www.acattheatre.org. Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main Street
- Museum in the Streets, downtown history/walking tour, www.the museum in the streets.com/waterville.htm
- Two Cent Bridge, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River connecting Waterville and Winslow, Head of Falls park/events area, Front Street
- Common Street Arts, 872-2787, www.commonstreetarts.org, Wednesday-Saturday 12-6 pm, 16 Common Street
- Colby College Museum of Art, 859-5600, www.colby.edu/museum/Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-4:30 pm, Sunday 12-4:30 pm, free admission, Colby College Campus, Mayflower Hill
- Colby College Special Collections, Miller Library, Monday-Friday 10 am-12 noon and 1-4 pm, free admission
- Thomas College Art Gallery, 180 West River Road
- Waterville Historical Society Redington Museum, 1814 home, pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tuesday-Saturday tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver Street
- Waterville Opera House, 873-7000, www.operahouse.com, 93 Main Street
- Farmers' Market, Thursday 2-6 pm, 680-2055, www.watervillefarmersmarket.org, The Concourse parking lot

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• Farmers' Market, 685-4657,

http://waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com, Saturday 9 am-noon, Town Green, at the Mill Pond, Main Street

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

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- Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLRBG), PO Box 596, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3700, www.belgradelakesmaine.com
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- Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District, 107 Park Street, Farmington 04938, 778-4279, www.franklincswcd.org
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- Kennebec Land Trust (KLT), PO Box 261, 331 Main Street, 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, 685-4956, www.30mileriver.org
- Maine Lakes Society, formerly Congress of Lake Associations, PO Box 447, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 1-855-463-2652
- Central Maine chapter of the New England Mountain Bike Association (CeMeNEMBA), 441-6227,

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Calendar —

Friday 7/11 - Sunday 7/20 -17th Maine International Film Festival - MIFF, 10 days, 100 films, 50 filmmakers, special events and guests, other activities downtown, 861-8138, www.Miff.org, Railroad Square Cinema and the Waterville Opera House, Waterville.

Wednesday 7/9 through Saturday 7/12 -"Bye Bye Birdie," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 7/10 through Saturday 7/12 -"As You Like It," by William Shakespeare, Preview on Thursday, Opening Night on Friday, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, The Theater at Monmouth.

Thursday 7/10 – Friends and Neighbors luncheon, soup, sandwiches, dessert, friendship, donation, 11:30 am, Union Church, Main Street, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

Friday 7/11 through Sunday 7/13 – 4-H Eastern States Tryouts Horse Show, free, open to public, great family outing, visit barns, covered arena, concessions, 474-2947, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Skowhegan.

Friday 7/11 through Sunday 7/13 – Annual Moxie Festival, celebrating Maine's unique soft drink, features the longest summertime parade in the state, a three-day Pow Wow, a family-style canoe race along the Androscoggin, a 5K road race, fireworks, live music, kids games, ATV Charity Ride, Moxie Car Show, Family Fun Fair and more, Lisbon Falls.

Friday 7/11 and Saturday 7/12 – Le Festival de la Bastille, bands, clogging, food, talent show, bean supper and more, 592-5001, Pete Gagne Field, Old Belgrade Road, Augusta.

Friday 7/11 – Local Talent Show, featuring

a three-part performance: Ksenia Kostelanetz -piano; Mary Jane's Dance Studio - a variety of dance performances; The Pineland Fiddlers -children ages 8-16 who play traditional fiddle music, free entertainment, air-conditioned, 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, off Route 202, Greene.

Friday 7/11 - Public supper, baked beans, salads, homemade rolls and pies, \$7 adults, children under 12 \$2, entertainment at 3 pm and 7 pm: Paula & Emmal Williamson, America's Yodeling Sweetheart and "The Duke" Jon Wayne, Thorndike Congregational Church, Route 139, Thorndike.

Friday 7/11 – Opening of Summer Members' Art Show and Sale at the Harlow Gallery, meet the artists, purchase paintings, also view the mini-exhibit "Vacationland: Artist's View" featuring handmade post cards, free and open to the public, 5-8 pm, regular gallery hours Wednesday-Saturday 12-6 pm, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

Friday 6/11 - "Can Film Festival," a benefit for Winthrop area food banks, admission is canned or boxed goods, 7 pm, 377-8252, Friend's Meeting House, 219 Winthrop Center Road, Route 135 South, Winthrop.

Friday 7/11 – Atlantic Music Festival: Cassett String Quartet, featuring dynamic works by composers Daniel S. Godfrey, Bruce Adolphe and Lawrence Dillon, free and open to the public, 7 pm, 316-2162, Lorimer Chapel, Colby College, Waterville.

Friday 7/11 – New England Music Camp Student Recital, open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 7:30 pm, 465-3025, Route 23, Sidney.

Friday 7/11 – Lecture by Simon Critchley, Paul Mellon Distinguished Fellow, part of 2014 Barbara Lee Artist Lecture Series, 8:30 pm, 474-9345, Old Dominion Fresco Barn, Skowhegan Art School, Skowhegan.

Saturday 7/12 – Plein Air Painting at Kennedy Brook, led by Judith Schuppien and Brian Kent, sponsored by the Kennebec Land Trust and Harlow Gallery, 9 am, to register call 622-3813, Hallowell.

Saturday 7/12 – Arts Fest, daylong activities in Waterville, including a bike parade, many children's activities, a Downtown Plein Air Painting Competition, scavenger hunt, music, events at the Opera House, Film Center, Public Library, Colby College, Stained Glass Express, KV Connect and Common Street Arts, concessions, sales, and artists and vendors along Main Street, 680-2055, downtown Waterville.

Saturday 7/12 - Geology of the Kennebec Highlands with Mel Croft on The Mountain (Rome), pre-register by 7/10, 10 am, call for meeting place 495-6039, Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes Village.

Saturday 7/12 – "Flapper," celebrate the roaring twenties, performed by teens, Lakewood Theater Young Performers Camp, also July 19, 10 am, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Saturday 7/12 – "Tales from the Blue Fairy Book," 1 pm, Children's Show, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Saturday 7/12 – Free Weekend Concert, New England Music Camp, historic Bowl in the Pines, Messalonskee Lake, 3 pm, 465-3025, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

Saturday 7/12 – Atlantic Music Festival: Orchestra I, 7 pm, free, open to public, reservations encouraged, 316-2162, Colby College, Waterville.

Saturday 7/14 - Union Coffee House, featuring Don Peterson, 7 pm, followed by Open Mic Hour, donation \$5, Union

Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Sunday 7/13 – Interpretive Nature Hike on French Mountain (Rome) with Warren Balgooyen & Jodie Mosher-Towle, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, pre-register by 7/10, 495-6039, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Sunday 7/13 - New England Music Camp Concert, rain or shine, free to the public, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 465-3025, Bowl in the Pines, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

Sunday 7/13 – Borderline Express, Summer Concert Series, 5 pm, 474-6894, Philbrick Gazebo, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

Monday 7/14 – 19th Annual Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament to benefit the Kennebec Leadership Institute, gifts, prizes, luncheon, shotgun start 12 noon, team "scramble," registration \$110 per golfer, \$440 per foursome, 623-4559, Augusta Country Club, Route 202, Manchester.

Monday 7/14 – Auditions for "The Sorcerer" by Gilbert & Sullivan, for production September 18-28, 3 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Tuesday 7/15 – Innovation Brass Quintet, 7-8:30 pm, Waterfront, North Water Street, Hallowell.

Wednesday 7/16 – Foraging Wild Edibles, Maranacook Adult Education, adults 9 am-noon, families 1-4 pm, \$10, 685-4923 x1065, Maranacook High Schoool Trails, Readfield.

Wednesday 7/16 – Art Afternoon, enjoy printmaking, watercolors, acrylics, collage and pastels, be inspired by the museum collections, guided by a museum staff member, 1 pm, \$2 materials fee, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

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Wednesday 7/16 – Public supper, entrée, potato, vegetable, rolls, coffee or lemonade, homemade dessert, \$8 adults, \$4 children under 10, Fairview Grange, Route 8, downtown Smithfield.

Wednesday 7/16 – Nikki Hunt Band, Pop, Waterfront Wednesday Concert Series, wonderful family event, free for the public, 6 pm, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/16 – "The Man from Maine: the life and times of James G. Blaine," presented by Michael Bell, sponsored by the Kennebec Historical Society, 6:30 pm, 622-7718, Augusta City Center 16 Cony Street, Augusta.

Wednesday 7/16 - New England Music Camp Student Recital, open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 7:30 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, NEMC, Pond Road, Route 23, Sidney.

Wednesday 7/16 – Antiques Appraiser Daniel Buck Soules, Belgrade Historical Society, 7:30 pm, 465-7924, Maine Lakes Resource Center, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Wednesday 7/16 – "As You Like It," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.

Wednesday 7/16 – Sheila Hicks lecture, 2014 Barbara Lee Artist Lecture Series, 8:30 pm, 474-9345, Old Dominion Fresco Barn, Skowhegan Art School, Skowhegan.

Thursday 7/17 – Atlantic Music Festival: Art Song Concert, by members of the AMF Opera Workshop, free and open to the public, 7 pm, 316-2162, Colby College, Waterville.

Thursday 7/17 – "Amy and the Engine," free outdoor concert, 5:30-7 pm, 582-3100, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

Thursday 7/17 – "Water Quality" with Dr. Whitney King and Colby Colleagues, sponsored by the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, 6:30 pm, 495-6039, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

Thursday 7/17 through Sunday 7/20 – "Skin Flick," comedy, 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

Thursday 7/17 through Saturday 7/19 –

"A Woman of No Importance," by Oscar Wilde, deliciously wily satire lays bare the moral contradictions of Victorian England, Thursday preview show, Friday opening, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater at Monmouth.



On Saturday, July 12, 9 am-4 pm, the Waterville Arts Fest – "A Feast of Creative Delights," - will take over downtown and beyond with the art show and store sales along Main Street and with the addition of over a dozen other art-related events. New activities will include The Maine Film Center's video competition, Stained Glass Express beading demonstrations and mosaic building, The Waterville Public Library - creative materials for families, The Colby College Museum of Art hands-on woodworking, Common Street Arts Outdoor Family Clay Day, The Waterville Opera House simple skits and improvisation, and many more.



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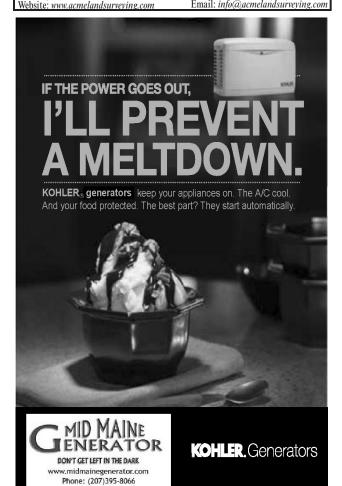
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Le Festival de la Bastille



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On Saturday a children's program is scheduled from 11 am-12:30 pm; a talent show 12:45-1:45 pm, followed by Jean-Guy Piche, Hert LeBlanc et Les Rue du Gros Tyme from New Brunswick. A Chicken BBQ will be offered 11 am-1 pm and a Bean Supper 5:30-6:30 pm.

Admission is \$5 per day, children under 12 free. For more information call 592-5001.

Upcoming

JULY

- The Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program will hold its annual Lake Monitoring Conference on Saturday, July 19 at the Great Outdoors lake lodge on Pleasant Pond in Turner. Certified lake monitors attend free, all others \$35. 783-7733
- Old Hallowell Day is Saturday, July 19 grand parade, sales, food concessions, special exhibits and much more. Be part of the parade by calling 622-5330.
- Douglas Coffin, master letter cutter, will give a talk about the history of the alphabet and letterforms, hand-carving fine letters, and decorative motifs in stone at the Skowhegan History House at 7 pm on Wednesday, July 23. 474-6632
- Paddle from Mount Vernon to Wayne on Saturday, July 26 with the 30 Mile River Watershed Association (Rain date July 27). Register at www.30mileriver.org
- Belgrade Fire and Rescue will hold its 8th Annual Auto Show on Sunday, July 27 next to Belgrade Central School; gates open at 8 am, awards at 2 pm, rain or shine. 215-6142
- "Venus in Fur" will be performed by the Gaslight Theater in Hallowell on July 31 and August 1-3 and 7-

AUGUST

- The Belgrade Fire and Rescue Bean Hole Bean supper at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, 5-7 pm, followed by the Annual Loon Calling Contest in Belgrade Lakes will be on Saturday, August 2; sign up for the Loon Calling outside Lakepoint Real Estate at 6:30 pm. 495-3312
- A course in Astronomy is being offered by RSU 38 Maranacook Adult Education on Tuesday, August 5, 7:30-9:30 pm, rain date Wednesday, August 6, for \$10 at Maranacook Community High School in Readfield. 685-4923 x1065
- The Taste of Greater Waterville, sponsored by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, will be held on Wednesday, August 6, 9 am-11 pm. 660-4939
- On August 20-23, the 43rd Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival with 12 major bands, an extra large tent area for spectators, a Kids Academy, concessions, camping and more is scheduled at the Litchfield Fairgrounds. 873-6539

SEPTEMBER

September 14-20 will be the Western Maine Storytelling Festival at the Franklin County Fair in Farmington. Western Maine Storytellers will be presenting programs in the Red School House throughout the festival. 778-4662



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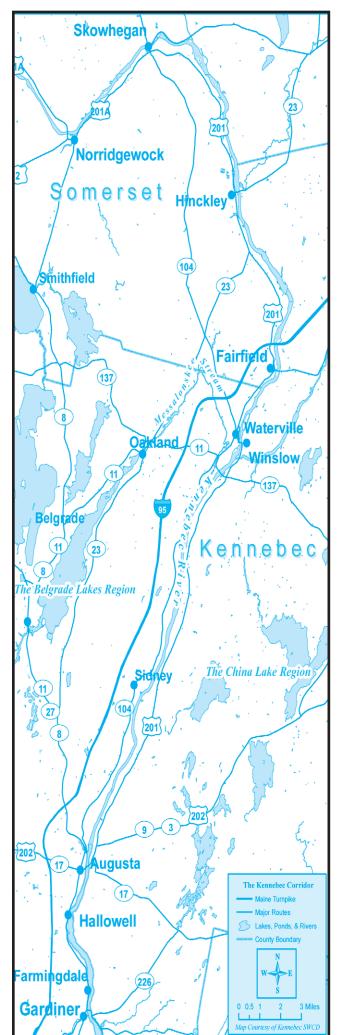
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—Katy's Column —

Have Books Lost Their Place In the World?

I hope and pray the answer to this question is a most positive NO! The electronic age is well established but there is still a great deal to be said for the printed page and what it offers each of us. Allow me to go on.

More than a dozen years ago a young man who was born and grew up in Hallowell took a copy of a short piece he had penned to the local newspaper asking if they might print his thoughtful writings. That newspaper accepted the request and, as a result, during many weeks the pieces that Danny Blake wrote were printed and surely delighted hundreds of readers. I was one of them. Dan and his charming father came to my back yard at one time and fixed stairs into my house. From that point on I was a genuine fan of the two men.

In typical "save everything" passion I clipped each column and stashed it away. Why? Don't ask – I just felt each had an important message about the life of young people at that time in history. The idea of compiling all the stories and combining them into a book not only intrigued me but other people in the community as well as all Dan's family. The result is that over two years time the Hallowell's Hubbard Library Board of Directors, local citizens and Quality Copy Printers made ready the book, "Remember The Good Stuff" by Dan Blake. All the funds for the effort were provided by family, friends and business owners thus assuring that all the proceeds from book sales would go directly to the historic Hubbard Free Library.

But back to the value of books in the world of the future. Reading a book is a very personal, relaxing enjoyment. No need for another person to join you. Read as slow or as fast as you wish, select the kind of reading you like, stop when a particular paragraph or chapter intrigues you, ponder the words and, even without realizing, you may find similar events in your own life that they echo. How the writer handles the situation could be a lesson worth savoring. This may be getting too intense but what I want to impart is that reading something that resonates on a personal level surely is more stimulating that what is seen on a fast-moving screen!

"Remember The Good Stuff" provides a glimpse of the 48 years of life Daniel Blake live before a tragic plane crash bought his life to a close. In spite of that early departure, Daniel Blake left a vision of childhood, family life, happenings, fun and woes that he experienced. Life during those days (the mid-1900s) here in Hallowell are portrayed so realistically and believably, you might have been there yourself. The wit of the writer, the descriptions of each event, the bright-colored era - often with a dark cloud hovering overhead - paints a tantalizing picture of an age now gone. I - and I believe everyone who reads the stories - will graciously thank Danny for his unique gift to each of us. It is an enjoyable read that reflects a life that was in

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Katy Perry is an author, news commentator, Peace Corps Volunteer (at age 65), all around interesting lady, enthusiast about most things Maine and a very vibrant nonagenarian who resides at Granite Hill Estates in Hallowell and contributes a weekly column for Summertime in the Belgrades.



Polish film *Mother Joan of the Angels* will be shown at the 2014 MIFF festival. See page 2 for more information.





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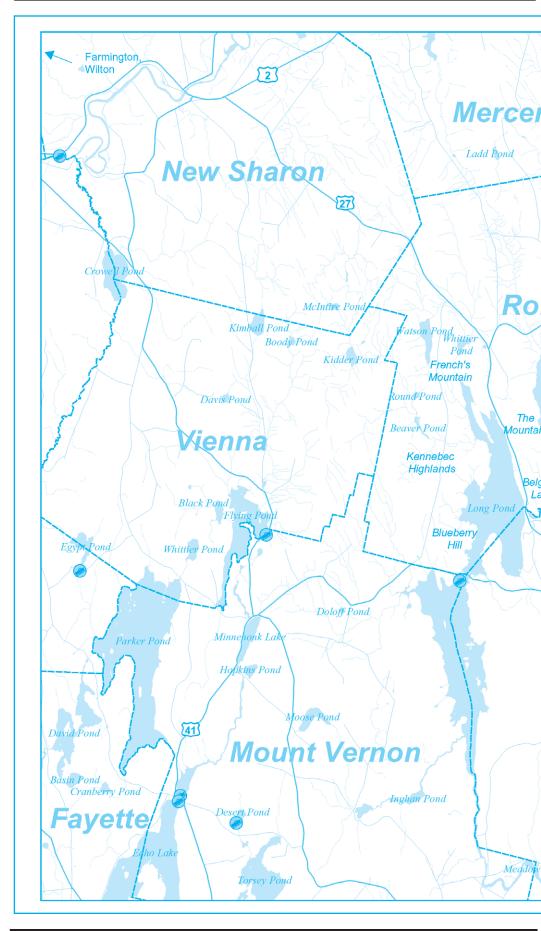
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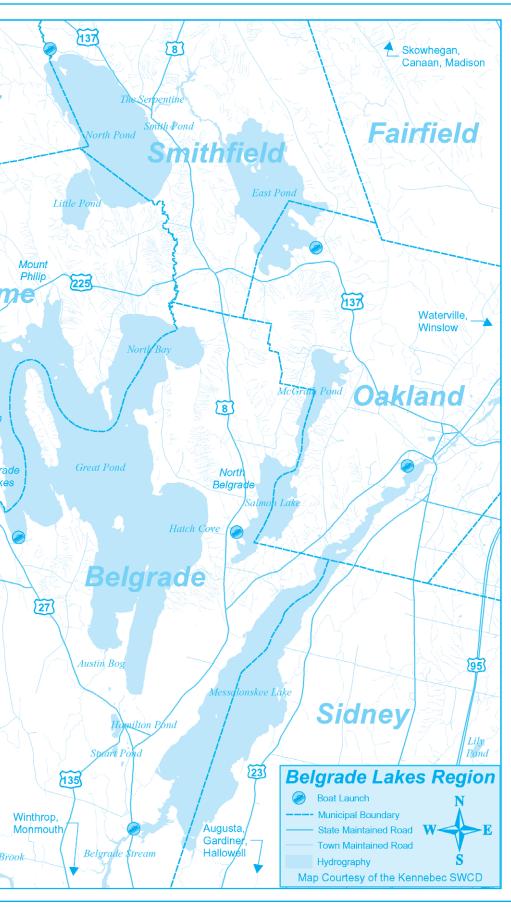
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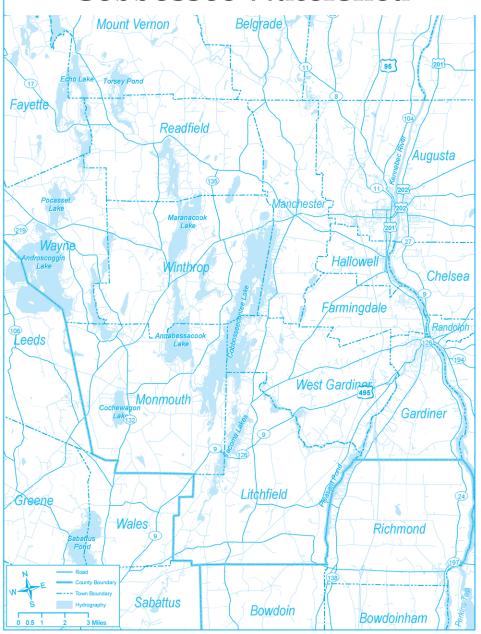
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Lovers Frolic in the Forest in Shakespeare's *As You Like It* at TAM



Shakespeare's pastoral comedy, As You Like It, opens at Theater at Monmouth on Friday, July 11 at 7:30 p.m. Set in the 1940s, As You Like It explores the ups and downs of love and courtship. Filled with mistaken identities and misplaced devotion, As You Like It lampoons the often puzzling, yet utterly gratifying, labor of love.

For director Catherine Weidner, As You Like It has something for everyone. "It's about what we struggle with every day. We grapple with who we are within our family and how we differentiate ourselves from our parents and siblings," Weidner states. "We can run away to somewhere new and create a new identity, but somewhere beneath it all, we cannot help being who we truly are..."

To avoid a plot on his life and the wrath of the usurping Duke Frederick, Orlando flees to the safety of the Forest of Arden, but not before falling in love with the Duke's niece, Rosalind. When the Duke banishes Rosalind from the court she, and her cousin Celia, also flee to the woods. Disguised as brother and sister, they meet Orlando, Silvius, and a host of other forest dwellers. Eventually, the second identities become too much and Rosalind gathers all the lovers together to act out a bizarre ritual courtship that ends, as all good comedies do, with everyone paired up two-by-two.

As You Like It features Michael Dix Thomas as Orlando; Wendy Way as Adam; Leighton Samuels as Oliver; Max Waszak as Charles/Sir Martext; Lindsay Tornquist as Celia; Erica Murphy as Rosalind; Graham Emmons as Touchstone; Janis Stevens as Madam LeBeau; Mark S. Cartier as Duke Frederick/Duke Senior; Turner Frankosky as Duke's Man/Musician; Will Harrell as Jaques; Lisa Woods as Phebe; Ryan Simpson as Silvius; Bill Van Horn as Corin/Hymen; James Noel Hoban as Amiens; and Denise Cormier as Audrey. Set design by Dan Bilodeau, costumes by Jonna Klaiber, lights by Cecilia Durbin, and sound by Rew Tippin.

Performance Calendar: PREVIEW 7/10 at 7:30 p.m.; OPENING 7/11 at 7:30 p.m.; additional performance dates 7/12, 7/16, 8/5, 8/9, 8/22 at 7:30 p.m.; 7/27, 8/17, 8/20, 8/23 at 1:00 p.m.; 8/3 at 7:00 p.m. with post-show talk-back. Ticket prices range from \$10-\$30. 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.



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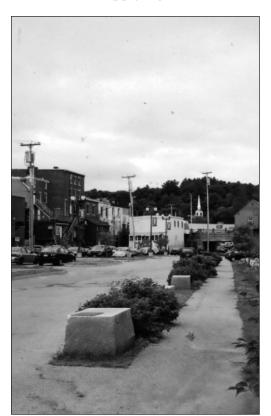
Cobbossee Corridor Public Discussions

The City of Gardiner and ■ Healthy Communities of the Capital Area (HCCA) invite Gardiner residents to participate in a series of community discussions regarding the future of the Cobbossee Stream corridor. Four, two-hour dynamic public meetings designed to get your input in designing the future of the corridor will be held in several locations around the Cobbossee Stream over a six-week period this summer.

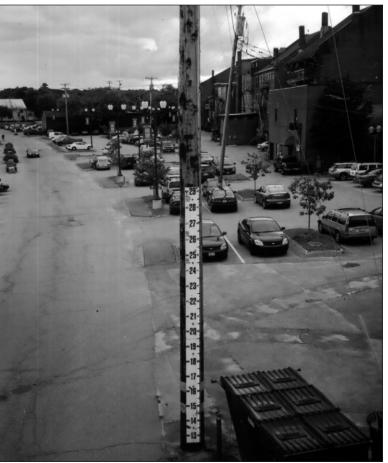
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Gardiner's Cobbossee Master Plan will be guides for a discussion to include a UMA Architecture student-led design and planning assessment. Your input will be transformed into a design for this area. The discussion will focus on methods to reinvigorate the Cobbossee Corridor as a vital, mixed-use extension of the Historic Downtown shopping district, the six-mile Kennebec River Rail Trail, and Gardiner's Waterfront Park and Marina.

The Cobbossee Corridor is currently the subject of a grant-funded study to identify potential hazardous material and petroleum contamination on former industrial sites along the Cobbossee and around greater Gardiner. The City hopes to work with willing property owners in a collaborative effort to clean up as necessary and, where the opportunity arises, to assist the owners in applying for assistance to







re-use these sites for new business investment, housing, and open space.

The full schedule of these input sessions is:

July 10th - 6-8pm - Gardiner Area High School - Little Theater

July 24th - 6-8pm - Gardiner Boys and Girls Club - Pray St. August 7th - 6-8pm - Johnson Hall - 280 Water St.

August 21st - 6-8pm - City Hall

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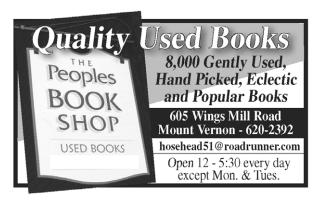
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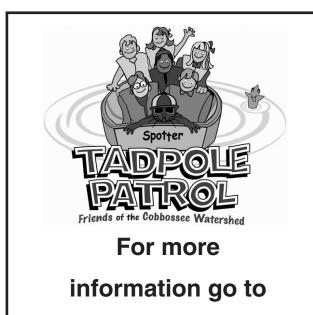
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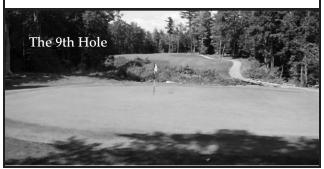
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—The Luckiest Boy—

y wife Doris and I were having lunch at the LSunset Grill, when by chance we sat with Pam Cobb and her husband Mark who operate a girl's camp on Great Pond called Camp Runoia. After a second Sam Summer Ale, and quite out of the blue, I began spouting off to Pam and Mark about my run-in with a Ghostly Guide back in 1966. It had happened on a very foggy night out near Hoyt's Island. Having never told the story to others, it must have been time to do so as I spared no details. Pam began to get a little gray pallor. When my story was done, a moment of silence ensued. Soon Pam whisperingly said "I think my dad knew they existed and that they gathered on Great Pond from time to time." Pam must have needed to tell her dad's story and here

Pam recounted a story that her dad Phil had told her and her siblings some 40 plus years ago. His story started by telling of a strange weather inversion that brought thick fog, socking in Central Maine. The fog came quickly around 6 p.m. when the campers at Runoia Girls Camp normally go to the dining hall. That night, Phil was alerted that one of the young girls had become separated from a group while stumbling back to her bunk shack in the soupy fog. He immediately went out and began a thorough search while calling the child's name. Moving slowly and carefully, even with his knowledge of every inch of path, making headway was no small challenge. The rocks and roots were a constant menace. He purposely headed down the path toward the beach and boathouse, stopping every few steps to call and listen for a reply. It was not long before a frightened reply led him to the scared young girl, sitting on the bow of a small sailboat that had been pulled up on the beach earlier in the day. Phil called back to the lodge with his walkie-talkie to alert everyone that all was well.

Just as he and the young girl started to slowly pick their way back up the path, they became aware of distant music playing. Even with the dense fog, the sense was that the music was wafting from due east, directly in line with Oak Island. The tunes were those of old from the early 20th century, such as When Johnny Comes Marching Home Again and Ida, Sweet as Apple

The Guide Ghosts of Great Pond Part 2

by Rod Johnson

Cider. H recognized the tunes from old seventyeight records that he and wife Betty often played on the vintage RCA victrola back at the farmhouse— records from their predecessor, Miss Lucy Weiser. The humming seemed to be accompanied by a fiddle or violin, maybe a harmonica as well. Not being able to fathom what was happening out there over the lake, but knowing it was more than a figment of his imagination, he and the young girl stood spellbound—then suddenly the aura completely changed. The music faded away and a sharp breeze came up, quickly dissipating the fog within minutes. Stars began to appear and the path back up the hill to the bunkhouses became clear. Phil returned the child to her rightful group in bunk shack #3, where her friends greeted her with hugs and words of compassion. Later that evening Phil recounted the story to Betty about the music emanating from Oak Island. She appeared skeptical but tried to keep an open mind.

The next morning at daybreak, before any campers or counselors awoke, Phil slid the 18 foot Old Town canoe off the beach and headed for Oak Island, about one half mile due east. He had slept fitfully and needed to come to some conclusion about the music that had wafted through the fog only ten hours earlier.

Upon approaching the island's rocky shore, Phil decided to work his way around to the south end to a spot he knew would not damage the 80 year old canvas covered canoe when he went ashore. The beloved tender vessel had been bequeathed to him by Miss Weiser.

After landing and quietly sliding the canoe up onto some dri-ki, he stood perfectly quiet and let his eyes adjust to the low light under the dark hemlock canopy. After a few cautious steps toward what is considered to be a nice campfire spot, Phil's heart rate jumped up at least 20 beats per minute. At the same time the whiff of a wood fire came to him, he spied the rocked-up fire pit—where a tiny wisp of smoke was rising from the ashes of a recently doused blaze. After being momentarily frozen in place without so much as a blink, he found himself taking very small steps towards the pit. He cautiously stepped over the heavy pine plank supported by boulders on each

end, one that had served as a bench for decades. The dirt floor of the area around the pit had been swept clean, as with a pine bow or some crude broom, leaving no tangible signs that man may have been there recently. Mesmerized, Phil slowly sat down on the large plank, stared at the smoke wisps and took in the aura of quiet. The only moving life seemed to be the ants around the pit area, diligently scouring for their first meal of the day, also a mother robin feeding her young in the giant hemlock's overhanging limb.

After seconds passed, a familiar noise shook him from the trance. He then came back to reality, knowing that the noise was the morning bell at Camp Runoia, a 7 a.m. ritual for the past 100 plus years. The bell signaled a wake up call for all and the beginning of a new busy day at camp. While rising to leave, his eyes caught some recent carvings in the old plank seat. The whittlings were still present on the bench and some on the ground below it. He suddenly realized that 10 sets of initials had been carved into the bench and touched them lightly to confirm their presence. After some seconds passed, he decided to copy down the initials for further ponderance. Finding no writing utensil on his person, he used a tiny blackened stick from the fire pit to scribble the initials on the back of a Day's Marina receipt, still in his shirt pocket from the previous day's purchase of gasoline and outboard oil. He felt the urgency to get back to camp and begin the day's chores, carefully sliding the antique canoe back into the water. After a quickened paddle back to the mainland he became engulfed in the daily challenges of running the girls' camp with his family and staff. THE END PART II – please join us next week for the third and final chapter

Author's note: For any folks who missed last year's 12 stories, we published a small book called *The Luckiest Boy* containing all 12, available at Day's Store.

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Expressions —

"This will be our reply to violence: to make music more intensely, more beautifully, more devotedly than ever before." — Leonard Bernstein

Tt is an arresting image: bombed-out buildings and a deserted, rubble-strewn street — an urban battleground in some unspecified war. In jarring juxtaposition, the word "pastoral," meaning "bucolic, peaceful" is printed across the bottom of the picture.

This is not what you would expect for a poster promoting a classical music festival, but it serves to remind us that man, the same species that can wreak such wanton destruction is also capable of creating great beauty. It was in this same spirit five years ago, when the Atlantic Music Festival began, that its organizers chose composer and conductor Leonard Bernstein's above-quoted reaction to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy as the festival's motto.

Now in its sixth summer, the Atlantic Music Festival will bring some 150 talented young musicians, mostly in their twenties, from across the land and beyond to Colby College for four weeks of intensive study, rehearsal, and performance. This year's festival runs from Monday, July 7, to Sunday, July 11, with a performance by the Cassatt String August 3, during which time, twenty public concerts have been scheduled.

Although admission to all performances is free, concertgoers will be invited to donate to AMF's "I Am Four Years Old" campaign, which started during its fourth season. Each year, all audience donations go to a single charity; the previous beneficiaries were UNICEF's Achieving Zero Campaign in 2012 and the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers in 2013.

In the past, AMF organizers have selected the charity in advance, but this year audience members will get to vote for their favorite from a list of five or so nonprofit organizations. The balloting will conducted both at concerts and on the AMF website. At the end of the festival, the votes will be tallied and the winning charity announced.

In addition, this year AMF will initiate its Community Empowerment Program, through which festival musicians will offer free, private lessons for local music students under age 18. Lessons

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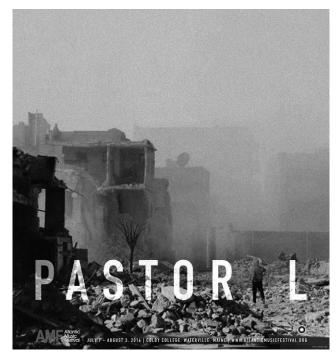
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Make Music, Not War

by Gregor Smith



will take place at Colby on three Sundays, July 13, 20, and 27, and will last half an hour to an hour, depending on the applicant's age and skill. To get more information or to apply, visit the festival's home page, www.atlanticmusicfestival.org, and click "I am Four Years Old."

The festival's concert series opens on Friday, Quartet in Lorimer Chapel at 7:00 p.m. Hailed for the "intensity and passion, lyrical tenderness and yearning" of its playing (Los Angeles Times) and its "muscular, ferociously intelligent ... first-class interpretation of new music" (San Francisco Chronicle), the Manhattan-based ensemble will perform works by contemporary composers Daniel S. Godfrey, Bruce Adolphe, and Lawrence Dillon.

The next evening, AMF will present the first of three Saturday symphony concerts. In this inaugural concert, Delaware Symphony Orchestra conductor David Amado will lead the AMF Orchestra in Prokofiev's Classical Symphony, George Tsontakis's "Laconika," and Beethoven's Sixth Symphony ("Pastoral.") Then, on July 26, returning conductor Jonathan Schiffman will conduct David Ludwig's "Saturn Bells," Dvorak's Symphony No. 6, and a to-be-determined piano concerto with the winner of the AMF's Piano Concerto Competition as soloist. Finally, on August 2, festival founder and artistic director Solbong Kim will conduct his own Concerto for Viola and Orchestra and Dvorak's Symphony No. 9 ("From the New World.")

Devotees of vocal, chamber, and piano music

will also have plenty to hear. On Thursdays, participants in AMF's Opera Workshop will present first a recital of art songs (July 17), then a program of opera arias (July 24), and finally a night of opera scenes (July 31). This last performance will take place in Strider Theater and feature individual scenes from beloved operas staged with props and costumes.

Chamber music concerts will be held Friday and Saturday, July 18 and 19, and will continue on Wednesdays and Fridays thereafter. Each program will feature a variety of small ensembles playing works of different eras and styles.

Piano lovers will delight on Monday, July 21, when Gabriel Chodos, a teacher, performer, and recording artist from New England Conservatory in Boston returns for his third annual AMF recital. The following evening and again on July 28, artists from the AMF Piano Institute will take turns executing solo piano works.

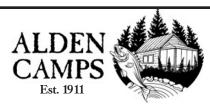
Those who like to hear music in an casual setting will enjoy Salon @ The Bar on Sunday, July 20 and 27. To be held in the Marchese Blue Light Pub in Cotter Union, these "salons," inspired by the informal gatherings of European aristocrats in the 18th and 19th centuries, will offer an eclectic mix of works played by soloists and small groups. The programs will not be announced in advance and will be of indeterminate length — some past salons have gone on for over three hours — but music lovers may come and go at will and may even order food and drink to consume while listening to the music.

The final week of the festival will see two performances of experimental music. On Tuesday, July 29, Jean-Baptiste Barrière, a leading composer of computer music will perform, and on July 31, violinist Mari Kimura and musicians from AMF's Future Music Lab will present innovative works that mate traditional acoustic instruments with interactive computer hardware and software. These performance/demonstrations will take place in Given Auditorium in the Bixler Building at 7:00 and 8:30 p.m., respectively.

Except where otherwise noted, performances take place in Lorimer Chapel and begin at 7:00. The schedule is subject to change, however, so for the latest information, visit the festival's website, www.atlanticmusicfestival.org, or call its office at 888-704-1311.







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Camp Kennebec

• The annual summer reunion and pot luck supper of Camp Kennebec alumni, former counselors and family members, friends and visitors is scheduled for Saturday, July 26, 5:30 pm at the Center for All Seasons on Route 27 on the eastern outskirts of Belgrade Lakes Village. Bring a dish to share, a casserole or a dessert; iced tea, lemonade and cold water will be provided. Each family is asked to contribute \$10 and individuals \$5 toward the overhead. RSVP mal.dawson@gmail.com

Augusta

• Kids Get Healthy with Gardening, Cooking and Yoga is a half-day summer camp for ages 9-12 which will be offered Friday, July 25, August 1 and 8, 9 amnoon, at the Alfond Center for Health. Instructors will be Rebecca Labonte, RD, Nicole Caruso and University of Maine Cooperative Extension Staff. Cost is \$45 per child. 861-5271

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Gardiner

• Summer ArtWalk celebrates art and community in historic downtown! On Friday evening, August 1, 5:30-8 pm, Gardiner-area artists and local businesses will join together to celebrate summer and the visual arts. Artists and artisans will exhibit their work in studios, shops and storefronts along historic Water Street where paintings, drawings, photographs, fine art prints, sculptures and artist's books will be available to view and purchase along with many fine crafts including pottery, hand-made cards, jewelry, woodcarvings, and textiles. Free refreshments will be available at many of the venues and there will be live music to enjoy. 582-6600

Greene

• On Friday, July 18, The Sawyer Memorial will host a

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local talent show at 2 and 7 pm. The show features a three part performance of approximately twenty minutes each. First, Ksenia Kostelanetz, pianist, who comes from a musical family of Russian ancestry. Ksenia began lessons at age four and has studied with Stefanie Jacob and Frank Glazer. She vacations in Greene. Next, Mary Jane's Dance Studio brings to the stage a variety of performances. The final presentation, The Pineland Fiddlers, is a touring ensemble of children ages 8-16 who play traditional fiddle music from Maine to Canada. All are students of Ellen Gawler, one of Maine's top folk fiddlers. Admission is free; the building is air conditioned. 946-5311

Hinckley

• The small observatory at the L.C. Bates Museum will be open every afternoon that the sun is out on Wednesday-Friday from 1-3 pm for sun viewings. Drop by anytime in those hours and experience the sun through a telescope. Regular museum admission rates apply. 238-4250

Oakland

• The Acadia Wind Ensemble will present a summer concert on Friday, August 1 at 7 pm in the Messalonskee Performing Arts Center. The band consists of music educators from all across Maine. Admission is free, donations accepted. 465-9135

Smithfield

• The Smithfield Maine Historical Society is holding a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, July 26 from 7-10 am at the Smithfield Baptist Church on Lakeview Drive. Price is \$8 adults, \$4 children, preschoolers and younger free. Baked goods also on sale. The Groves History House next door to the church will be open to visitors from 9-11 am. 362-5340



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Fishtail

Arthur Penn (2009), Walter Hill (2006), Jonathan Demme (2002), Terrence Malick (2000), and Jos Stelling (1999); film editor Thelma Schoonmaker (2012); and screenwriter Jay Cocks (2010).

Close's first feature film role was as Jenny Fields in The World According to Garp (1982), a performance that garnered critical raves and her first Oscar nomination. She received further nominations for The Big Chill (1983), The Natural (1984), Fatal Attraction (1987), Dangerous Liaisons (1988), and Albert Nobbs (2011). This last film, in which Close plays a woman posing as a man to get by in 19th-Century Ireland, will be shown at 6:30 Sunday, prior to the award presentation. Besides Albert Nobbs, three other Glenn close movies will be shown at this year's MIFF, all during the festival's first few days: Low Down (2014) on Saturday at 6:30 at Railroad Square, Dangerous Liaisons on Sunday at 3:30 at the cinema, and Cookie's Fortune (1999) on Monday at 3:30 at the Opera House.

On Monday, MIFF will present Part 3 of Freedom & Unity: The Vermont Movie, a six-part documentary by a collaborative of three dozen Vermont filmmakers to chronicle the history of their state. Parts 1 and 2 were shown at the 2012 and 2013 festivals. Now the remaining four parts are complete and will be projected on consecutive days at Railroad Square. The films are thematic, not chronological. Each stands on its own and can be understood and appreciated without having seen any of the others. All screenings start at 3:15, except for Part 4, which will be shown on Tuesday at 6:15.

Besides showing new films, each year's festival features newly restored versions of long-lost or unjustly overlooked classics. Chief among these is this year's Centerpiece Film, Too Much Johnson. Made in 1938, this 40-minute silent slapstick opus was Orson Welles's first professional film. (Most people think Citizen Kane was his first, but Kane came three years later.) Welles had meant to show Too Much Johnson in three parts, one part before each of the three acts of a stage production of a

turn-of-the-century farce of the same name, but he never finished editing the footage; and until a copy was discovered last year in an Italian warehouse, the film was thought to have burned up in a fire at his villa in Spain.

Besides this early Welles work, other "rediscoveries" to be shown during the festival will include The Conformist (Italy, 1970), Gun Crazy (U.S.A., 1950), A Hard Day's Night (U.K., 1964 — Yes, it's the Beatles!), Her Sister's Secret (U.S.A., 1946), and Salvatore Giuliano (Italy, 1961). Check the MIFF website or the festival broadsheet for film descriptions and show times.

Finally, throughout its ten days, MIFF will present sixteen Masterpieces of Polish Cinema from a collection of 21 Polish films selected by acclaimed director Martin Scorsese (Goodfellas, The Wolf of Wall Street, Shutter Island). Made from 1957 to 1987, these digitally restored masterworks are the best of Polish cinema, but most are little known outside the former East Block nation. See the MIFF broadsheet or website for titles, times, and descrip-

Admission to most screenings costs \$9; special events, including the opening ceremony and the Mid-Life Achievement Award, cost more. You can buy tickets for any screening in advance on the MIFF website or at Railroad Square Cinema. You can also buy a ticket at the door, but since festival screenings in the smaller cinemas at Railroad Square do occasionally sell out, it's best to buy in advance, if there's a movie you really want to see.

If you are planning to see a lot of movies, you can buy a Full Festival Pass for \$200 or a Partial Pass for \$85. A full pass will admit you to all festival screenings and events; a partial pass is good for ten admissions, up to two per event. You can buy passes online, at Railroad Square, or at the Waterville Opera House.

Whether you see one film or many, let the magic of movies bear you away. You'll be glad you did



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

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Water Quality Leads to Quality Water Experience

by Pete Kallin

mong other things, I am a certified water Aquality monitor for the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) (http://www.maine ⇒vlmp.org/) a group that saves Maine taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars by organizing, training, and certifying volunteers to identify invasive aquatic plants and collect water quality data, a job done by state employees in most places. Every two weeks I collect transparency data (Secchi depth) and temperature-oxygen profiles in two locations in Long Pond. The weather looked cooperative this morning so I grabbed my water quality monitoring equipment and headed for my boat, bright and early. Since I believe in multi-tasking while on the water, i.e., fishing and doing whatever else I'm supposed to be doing, I also grabbed a couple of fishing rods. As I backed my boat away from the dock, I realized the cove was full of thousands of spawning landlocked alewives, a diminutive freshwater cousin of the anadromous alewives I talked about a couple of weeks ago in my Kennebec River column. Many of them were jumping out of the water and large swirls indicated other fish were chasing them

I happened to have an ultralight spinning rod rigged with a swim bait about the right size and cast it towards one of the swirls. Instantly I had a strike and a two pound smallie cartwheeled into the air. I cast again and landed another fish. After catching about a dozen on the ultralight, I switched to a fly rod with a white zonker fly that is an excellent alewife imitation and continued to catch fish. None



Tools of the trade: Aquascope, Secchi disc, and water quality meter with dissolved oxygen, temperature probe on a 100 ft (30 M) cable. Long Pond salmon (right), picture taken by my son, Rob, who was fishing with me



of them were particularly large but all were about 1 to 3 pounds, a lot of fun on light tackle. In an hour, I caught about 25 fish without getting farther than about 100 ft from my dock. Unfortunately, duty called and I headed six miles down the lake to my first sampling station so I could get there before the wind kicked up. The fact that my first sampling point was the deepest point in Long Pond where I caught a nice salmon on Father's day while fishing with my son, also motivated me. I wanted to try my luck with the salmon before the day got too warm.

Watching for schools of baitfish and working birds or fish is second nature to saltwater fishermen, but is also very relevant for big lakes like the Belgrades that have smelt or landlocked alewives that live in large schools. Early in the morning when the lake is dead flat is the best time to spot these schools. Watch the professionals (the loons who fish for a living) and they will show you where the fish are.

I encourage everyone to get out on one of the nearby hiking trails. On Saturday July 12th at 10 AM, Mel Croft will be leading a hike on the Mountain and discussing the geology of the Belgrade Lakes and the Kennebec Highlands. On Sunday the 13th of July at 10 AM, Warren Balgooyen and Jodie Mosher-Towle will be leading an interpretive nature walk on French Mountain. Both these hikes will be excellent. Bring the whole family. Call the BRCA at 495-6039 to register.

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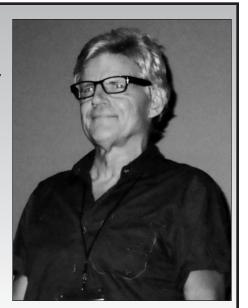




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