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Welcome To Day Camp Country

by Esther J. Perne

chool ends and the wonderful world of day camp begins, a world of new friendships, new discoveries, new accomplishments. At

the very least, it is a world of change and the outdoors is more accessible. At the very most it is an intensive immersion in a specialty or sport or academic endeavor that may become a lifetime pursuit and satisfaction. In between awaits an array of options for learning, liking, laughing....

In an area well known for its historic fishing and youth camps, for its private family vacations and for its day-trip getaway destinations from the surrounding towns, day camps were once the occasional extension of recreational programs. Today there are almost too many to track, and new day camps are constantly emerging. Day camps, courses and classes

abound in area communities, at recreation centers, boys and girls clubs, YMCAs, riding stables, libraries, museums, schools, lake and conservation associations and traditional overnight camps which also offer day sessions. Many of them are affordable, most of them offer scholarships, some are free.

For a season, a session or "the best week of the summer" here is a sample of summer day camps.

... **Gardiner**: Spark Theater Camp for Kids at Johnson Hall teaches the basics in a wide variety

of theatrical skills. Session 1, July 6-10, ages 8-11; Session 2, July 13-17, ages 9-12; Session 3, July 20-24, ages 10-13; Session 4, July 27-31, ages 11-14. Space is limited to 2 students per session. Fee is \$198; scholarships are available. 582-



Lakewood Young Performers Camp offers children the opportunity to grow creatively in a professional theater setting; 3 two-week sessions in July and August with performances on Saturdays at the end of each session. 474-7176

...**Waterville**: Missoula Children's Theatre at the

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Waterville Opera House for grades 1 through 8: "The Little Mermaid," July 27-August 1; "Aladdin," August 3-8; "Red Riding Hood," August 17-22. Each week concludes with a fully realized performance, with scenery, costumes, and props. The cost is \$200 per session. 873-7000



Acting/Theater Day Camp

...**Farmington**: Sandy River Players Summer Youth Music Theatre Camp, "Peter Pan, Jr." for ages 8-14 begins on June 22, Monday-Friday, 9 am-12 pm for 3 weeks. srp.summermusic@gmail.com









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Art Day Camp

... Waterville: Common Street Arts Summer Art Camp for Kids offers session starting June 22 through July; \$100 per week. 872-2787

Farming Camps

... **Albion:** Hart-to-Hart Farm, a hands-on, helping-out, fun farm experience for ages 5-12 featuring animals, gardening, nature, science, teamwork and friendship.

New this year is a farm camp retreat for adults, First Time Farmer, which will be held June 20 and 21.

Day camp is scheduled for children as follows: Down on the Farm, ages 5-12; June 22-26; June 29-July 3, July 6-9, July 27-31. Farm Extravaganza, indepth farming experience for ages 11-13; August 3-7; August 10-14.

Critters and Crafters, July 13-17. Junior Counselor in Training, ages 14-16. All sessions are 8:30 am-4 pm. Fee is \$210 per session. 437-2441

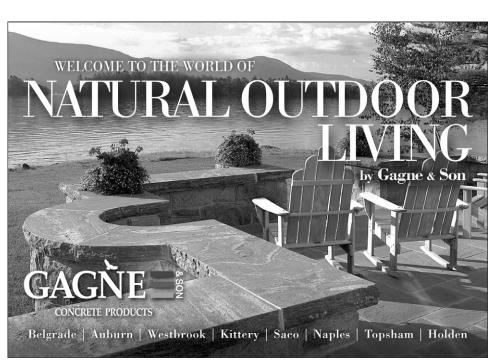
...Belgrade: Winterberry Farm "Down on the Farm" day camp, ages 5-11, offers sessions July 6-10 and 27-31, ten campers each session, includes exploring, hiking, gardening, farm animals, cooking, crafts, and more. Camp is 8:30 am-4 pm each day. \$200 per week. 649-3331

History Apprenticeship

... **Augusta:** Old Fort Western Apprenticeship Program for ages 8-12 held weekly starting June 22 through August 7, 8:30 am-12 noon, \$100 per week.

Museum Camps

... Augusta: Children's Discovery Museum, 171 Capitol Street, Augusta, offers 8 weeks of creativity and learning at Camp Spark, ages 3-6 and Camp







Winterberry Farm

Flame, ages 7-9. All camps meet Monday-Friday, 9 am-12 noon. Members are \$100 per camp, non-members \$115; multi-child and multi-camp discounts are available.

Camp Spark sessions include: Superhero Training 6/22-6/26; Squish, Fizz, Bubble science experiments 7/6-7/10; Backyard Farming 7/20-7/24; Frozen & Other Fairy Tales 8/3-8/7.

Camp Flame features: Invitation to Invention 6/29-7/3; Cook Boss 7/13-7/17; Wilderness Survival 7/27-7/31; Spy Boot Camp 8/10-8/14. 622-2209

...Hinckley: L.C. Bates Museum Science and Art Camps

for ages 7-14 at the L.C. Bates Museum will explore nature, local history astronomy, museum collections and arts and crafts. Each week a different adventure:

June 17-19, Nature Camp 1; June 22-26, Naturalist at Artist Camp; June 29- July 3, Nature Camp 2; July 13-17, Historic Explorers Camp; July 27-31, Astronomy Camp; August 3-7, Artists Explorers Camp. All camps run

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from 9 am to noon except for Naturalist As Artist Camp that runs 9 am-3 pm. Call 238-4250 for rates; scholarships are available.

...Waterville: The Colby College Museum of Art will hold a free Lively Spaces summer camp, July 13-July 31, 12-2:45 pm, Monday through Friday. The three weeks include art making, dancing, poetry reading and writing for students between second and eighth grade. Lunch will be provided. Campers must be able to attend all three weeks; space is limited. Pre-register at 859-5613.

Old Fort Western

Nature Camp

...Winthrop: Summer Nature Day Camp sponsored by the Friends of the Cobbossee

Watershed for children entering grades 4, 5 and 6 will be held in two sessions at the YMCA Camp of Maine from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm; includes lunch, all instruction and equipment and a special camp session of Tadpole Patrol aboard the Friends' 22' pontoon boat, the OTTER II. 621-4100

Rec and Sailing Camps

...Belgrade: Day Camp at Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons for Kindergarten-Grade 6, Camp Golden Pond; 8 one-week sessions, starts June 22, 8 am-4 pm, before and after care available. Rates \$85 for residents; \$135 nonresidents; \$20 and \$30 per day drop-ins. Weekly special themes each week, field trips on Thursdays. 495-3481

Teen Camp at Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons for boys and girls entering grades 6 through 9, Camp Loon For Teens...4 two-week sessions, starts June 22, 8 am-4 pm. Rates \$220 residents; \$320 non-residents. Weekly off-site adventures, overnight camping experiences over the summer. 495-3481

Youth Sailing Program at Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons for 8 to 15-year-olds, July 20 through August 14, morning and afternoon sessions available. Enroll at SailMaine.org or call 888-673-7245.

Sports/Athletics Camps

...Readfield: Maranacook Adult Education in Readfield (RSU 38) offers a summer schedule for track, basketball, field hockey, gymnastics, soccer and more.

For details or to register, visit http://maranacook.maineadulted.org, email adulted@mranacook.org or call 685-4923, x 1065



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Legacies

Civil War Reenactment at Norlands a Family-Friendly Event



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The 5th Rally for Norlands, Civil War per and a contra dance featuring The Racket ■ Reenactment Weekend will take place at the Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, Maine's oldest living history farm and museum, in Livermore on Saturday and Sunday, June 13 and 14. Organized by the 3rd Maine Company A and the 15th Alabama Company G, the reenactment weekend will include living history exhibits and demonstrations, horse-drawn wagon rides, an organ concert and sermon in the 1828 Meeting House, a scavenger hunt, campfire cooking, musket firing, a barbecue and bean sup-

Factory.

Close to 200 living historians will be encamped on the 445-acre grounds for the weekend, interpreting Confederate and Union Infantry, scrimmaging with replica weaponry, and staging a battle at 2 pm on Saturday and 1:30 pm on Sunday in the hilly fields. The Norlands historic farmstead includes the Washburn mansion, gothic library, meetinghouse, cape house, sap-house, one-room schoolhouse and the rebuilding-in-progress barn. Tours of the mansion and wagon rides on the grounds will be available.

Highlights of the Rally Weekend will include a visit with Abraham Lincoln at 11 am on Saturday, a 19th-century Fashion Show at 1 pm on Saturday, storytelling at 3:30 pm on Saturday and 12 noon on Sunday and a Ladies' Victorian Tea at 3 pm on Saturday. Children may report for a Recruiting and Drilling at 10:30 am on Saturday and for crafts activities throughout the event. A Dress-up Tent will be open both days from 9 am-12:30 pm and a large Historic Crafters and Exhibitors Fair will be part of the event.

Gates open at 9 am daily. Admission is \$10 per adult, \$6 for children age 12 and under, and free



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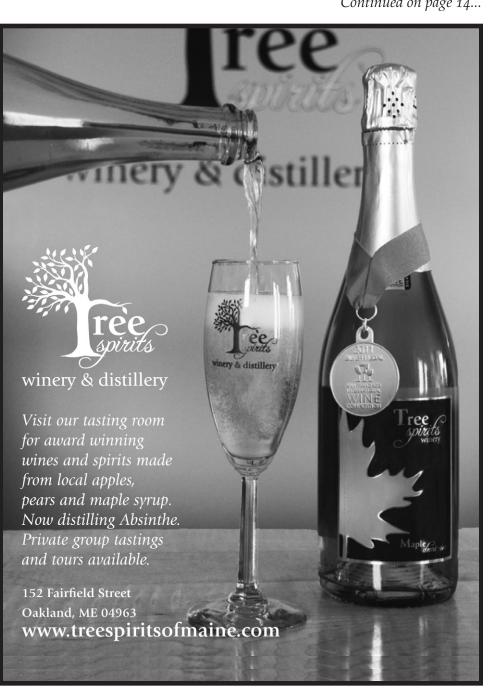
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WHAT ABOUT THE WEATHER? kend activities will go on, rain or shine. Keep in mind sther can be variable in these mountain villages; it aining 20 miles down the road while the sun shines of For the latest updates on the day of the event, visil

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Conservation-

Healing Workshops in the Garden

he Hospice Memorial Healing Garden at 304 Main Street is an oasis, a refuge, a place for people to remember their loved ones. This summer the Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area is offering workshops in the garden for those struggling with their memories and/or their lives and wondering how to go forward. All the workshops will take place on Thursdays, 6-7:30 pm, rain or shine, as follows:

- June 22: "Letting go of what you expect life to be..." with Susan Golden, a yoga workshop. This yoga workshop will begin with some breath work, setting an intention, gentle movement for all levels of fitness, and will end with guided meditation and a resting pose.
- Elaine Malkin and Gail Lipfert (the duo Bien Sur).

This workshop will consist of listening to calming but emotional music played on violin and guitar. A "Turlutte" will be taught - a simple "mouth music" piece to engage the voice and body, and simple art supplies will be offered with guidance to express deep feelings. The music touches the non-verbal, emotional side of the brain, freeing the art to flow from the heart.

- July 9: Meditation. Carmela Thompson: "Practicing Meditation & Gratitude in the Face of Losing a Son" and Jeff Matranga: "Introduction to Meditation."
- July 23: "Connecting with Nature using Art and Poetry" with Sarah Carlson. With the work of Thomas Locker (water colorist and author/poet) as a spring-• June 25: "Healing through Music and Art" with board, we will use crayon resist to paint something from the natural world that resonates within. With

our creative brains activated we will then write a short poem using an easy, open and fun writing technique.

- August 6: "Journaling/Writing for Healing" with Phyllis Capanna. Journaling can be a powerful tool for healing. Come spend an hour and a half in the safest place there is: within the covers of your private journal. Please bring a notebook and pen.
- August 20: "Qigong: Gentle Movements and Breathing" with Danielle Tognato. Qigong: gentle movements for all levels, synchronized with breathing techniques. For people who have difficulty standing, slightly modified movements can be done while sitting in a chair.

Sessions are limited to 8 people. Pre-registration is requested. Please call 873-3615.

Invasive Aquatic Plant Workshop in Oakland

The Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program is ▲ offering a free two-day training course and certification for scuba divers, hooka divers and surface support providers in the manual control of invasive aguatic plants (IAP) on Wednesday, June 17 and Saturday, June 20 in Oakland.

Part 1 - Introduction to IAP Manual Control with Manual Harvesting and Benthic Barrier In-lake Instruction and Practice will be held on Wednesday, 9 am-5 pm at Memorial Hall on Church Street.

This part of the training course will include an introduction to manual control, plant identification, information on permit and reporting requirements, introduction to the three manual control methods being used in Maine - harvesting, DASH, and benthic barriers, in-lake instruction and practice and an interactive panel discussion with Maine's leading control experts.

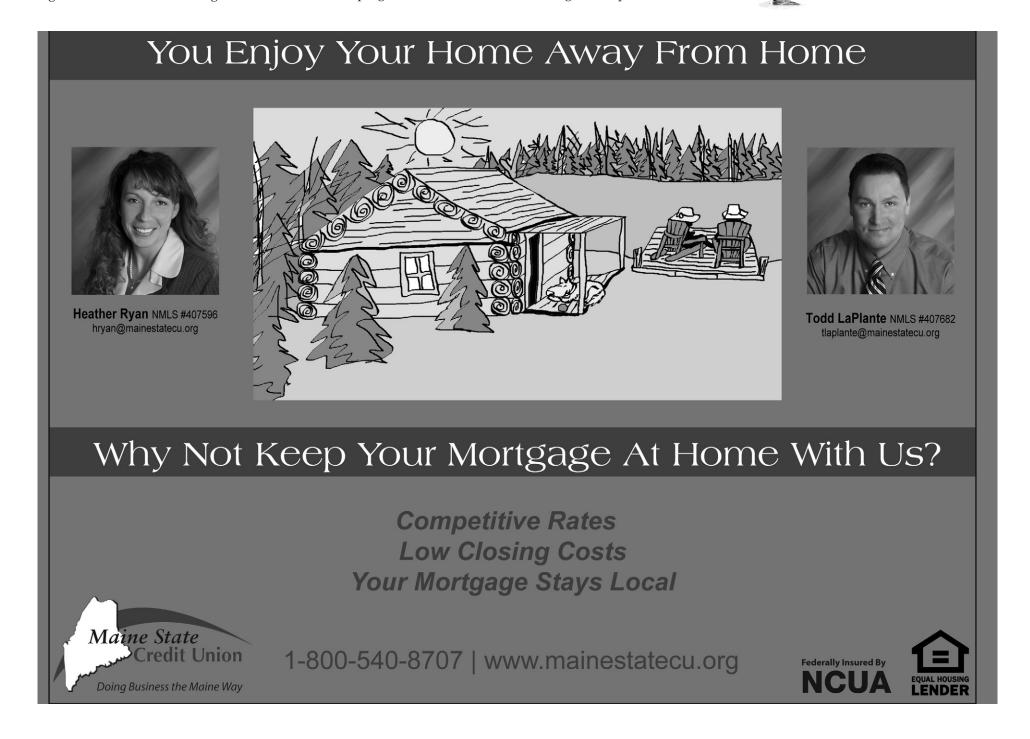
Part 2 - Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) In-lake Instruction and Practice will be held on Saturday, 10 am-3 pm at the Oakland Boat Landing on Messalonskee Lake followed by a question and answer session.

Both training sessions are free. A take-out lunch option is offered on both days. Participants are welcome to attend one session or both, but full participation in Part 1 is mandatory for those wishing to become certified members of Maine's IAP Manual Control Team and/or to participate in IAP control programs that receive state funding. Participation in Part 2 meets the requirement for enhanced DASH cer-

If invasive plants are not removed, contained and disposed of properly, a removal project may cause more harm than good. At the very least, valuable time and effort may be wasted. The VLMP offers this comprehensive two-part training program to help ensure the success of control efforts.

The 2-day training program is only offered once each year and space in both sessions is limited. Preference will be given to staff and volunteers affiliated with existing control efforts in Maine.

To register contact the Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program at christine@mainevlmp.org or 783-7733.





Calendar Directory

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- Viles Arboretum, 224 acres with 6 miles of year round walking trails, including art and sculpture trail, open dawn to dusk, Visitor Center open Monday-Friday, 9 am-4 pm, admission free, 626-7989, www.vilesarboretum.org, 153 Hospital Street
- Farmers' Market at the Arboretum, indoors, Friday 1-5 pm
- Art in the Capitol, Maine Arts Commission monthly selfguided 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,
- 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
- Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall, 549-5112, Wednesday and Saturday 10 am-1 pm, Western Avenue

BELGRADE LAKES

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- Union Church Coffee House, check for schedule, 7:30 pm, \$5, 495-3599, www.unionchurchmaine.org, Main Street
- Belgrade Historical Society, 465-7924, belgradehistoricalsociety.org
- 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, www.farmingtonhistory.org, 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
- Contra Dance, 491-9928, www.starleft.org 2nd Saturday of the month, all welcome, 6:30-7:30 pm family dance, 8-11 pm regular dance, admission, Grange Hall, Bridge Street, Route 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, Friday 9 am-2 pm, Better Living Center parking lot, Front Street; Saturday 8 am-12 noon, Main
- Meetinghouse Park and Gazebo, weekly concerts throughout summer, downtown
- Fairgrounds, events throughout summer, Franklin County Fair in September, High Street

GARDINER

- Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press, Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, 582-6600, www.theartdogs.com, 275-277 Water Street
- Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center, 582-7144, www.johnsonhall.org 280 Water Street
- Monkitree, art exhibits, 512-4679, www.monkitree.com, Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-6 pm, 263 Water
- SpinOff Studio, 588-7297, spinoffstudio.org, Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 405 Water Street
- Farmers' Market, 512-8022, www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org, Wednesday 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-8 pm daily, 588-0021,

www.mainecrafts.org, West Gardiner Service Plaza, Route 126 off Routes 95 and 295

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HALLOWELL

- Harlow Gallery, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813, www.harlowgallery.org Wed-Sat, 12-6 pm, 160 Water Street
- Gaslight Theater, 626-3698, www.gaslighttheater.org City Hall, 1 Winthrop Street
- 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
- Kennebec River Rail Trail, www.krrt.org, to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street
- Waterfront Park, North Water Street

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 Wednesday-Saturday 10 am-4:30 pm, Sunday 1-4:30 pm, Route 201

KINGFIELD

- Ski Museum of Maine, 265-2023, www.skimusuemofmaine.org, 256 Main Street
- Stanley Museum, 265-2729, www.stanleymuseum.org, memorabilia/displays on photographs, violins and Stanley Steamers, Tuesday-Sunday 1-4 pm, 40 School Street

LIVERMORE

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

MADISON

- Lakewood Theater, Maine's Summer Theater, Young Performers Camp, 474-7176, www.lakewoodtheater.org, Route 201
- Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, 474-9345, www.skowheganart.org, summer evening artists lecture series, East Madison Road

MONMOUTH

- 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

MOUNT VERNON

- D.E.W Animal Kingdom, Zoo, 293-2837, 918 Pond Rd,
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NEW SHARON

- Farmers' Market, Saturday 9 am-1 pm, Douin's Market, 491-9025, 150 Mercer Road, Routes 2/27
- New Sharon Historical Society, Saturday 1-3, Routes 778-4167, 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
- Town Parks, playground, picnic tables, swimming area, boat launch area, Belgrade Road on Lake Messalonskee and McGrath Pond Road on McGrath Lake
- Farmer's Market, Friday 2-6 pm, 465-3094, Pine Acres Parking Lot, 895 Kennedy Memorial Drive

READFIELD

• 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

- Mt. Philip Grange, suppers 3rd Sat of month, 4:30-6 pm, all you can eat beans, cornbread, rolls, chop suey, pies, Routes 135/225
- Trails: Mount Philip, Route 225; The Mountain, Route 27; French's Mountain and Kennebec Highlands, Watson Pond Road; for information call 495-6039 or visit www.belgradelakes.org; maps available at BRCA, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes

SIDNEY

- New England Music Camp, concerts free and open to the public, Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, www.nemusiccamp.com, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23
- Sidney Historical Society, 724-8032, www.sidneyhistoricalsociety.org,2986 Middle Road
- Silver Spur Riding Club, horse shows, River Road, Route

SKOWHEGAN

- Margaret Chase Smith Library, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, www.mcslibrary.org, free, Monday-Friday, 10 am-4 pm, 54 Norridgewock Ave.
- History House Museum, 1800s local history and culture, heirloom gardens, free, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am-4 pm, 474-6632, www.skowheganhistoryhouse.org, 66 Elm Street

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• Farmers' Market, Wednesday 3-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-1 pm, weekly entertainment, 938-3906, Somerset Gristmill parking lot, downtown

SMITHFIELD

- Fairview Grange, 362-2791, Route 8
- 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.themuseuminthestreets.com/waterville.htm
- Head of Falls Park/Two Cent Bridge, historic foot bridge over Kennebec River connecting Waterville and Winslow, 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-5 pm, Sunday 12-5 pm, free admission, Colby College Campus, Mayflower
- 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 and Redington Museum, 1814 home and pharmacy, 872-9439, www.redingtonmuseum.org. Tuesday-Saturday tours at 10 and 11 am, 1 and 2 pm, 62 Silver
- 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

WAYNE

• Farmers' Market, 685-4657,

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

WILTON

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

WINSLOW

• Fort Halifax on the Kennebec River, historic fort tower, park, Route 201

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- McGrath Pond/Salmon Lake Association (MP/SL), Belgrade/Oakland, RR 2, Box 2800, Belgrade, 04917, 465-3983, www.salmonlake.org
- Great/Long Ponds: Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA), Belgrade/Rome/Mount Vernon, PO Box 551, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 512-5150, www.belgradelakesassociation.com
- Friends of Messalonskee Lake Watershed, Oakland/Belgrade/Sidney, PO Box 532, Oakland, 04963, 465-4622, www.snowpond.org
- Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance and BRCA Conservation Corps, PO Box 250, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-6039, www.belgradelakes.org
- Belgrade Lakes Region Business Group (BLRBG), PO Box 596, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3700, www.belgradelakesmaine.com
- Maine Lakes Resource Center/Docks to Doorways, PO Box 431, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-3617, 620-6029, www.mainelakesresourcecenter.org

BEYOND...

- Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed, PO Box 5003, Augusta, 04332-5003, 621-4100, www.watershedfriends.com
- Franklin County Soil & Water Conservation District, 107 Park Street, Farmington 04938, 778-4279, www.franklincswcd.org
- Kennebec County Soil & Water Conservation District, 21 Enterprise Drive, Augusta 04330, 622-7847, ext. 3, www.kcswcd.org
- Somerset County Soil & Water Conservation District, 12 High Street, Skowhegan 04976, 474-8324, www.somersetswcd.org
- 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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EXHIBITS

...Through Friday 6/19 - Harry Potter exhibit, Mantor Library, University of Maine, Farmington, 116 South Street, Farmington.

...Through Friday 6/16 - "Downtown Details," an exhibition of local art highlighting the architectural details of Water Street in historic downtown Augusta, presented by the Augusta Historic Preservation Commission, first floor, Augusta City Center.

...Through Saturday 6/27 - "Little by Little, Bird by Bird," celebrating Spring and the 5th Anniversary of Monkitree - a fine art and craft gallery, 512-4679, Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-4 ohm, 263 Water Street, downtown Gardiner.

...Through June - Art exhibit, "Perspicere: Richard William Blanchard and Amy Peters Wood," Wednesday-Saturday 12-6 pm, 622-3813, Harlow Gallery, 160 Water Street, Hallowell.

...Thursday 6/11 - Sunday 6/14 - "The Odd Couple," Neil Simon comedy, 873-7000, The Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

...Thursday 6/11 through Sunday 6/14 "Inherit The Wind," a fictionalized account of
the 1925 Scopes "Monkey" Trial, 474-7176,
Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...Friday 6/12 - Readfield Walks, a unique history program sponsored by Readfield Historical Society, walk to Kamp Peacock, known as Dixon's Camp, on Lake Maranacook, 10 am-12 noon, Readfieldhistorywalks.blogspot.com, Readfield.

...Friday 6/12 - Dave Mellon, Market Square Melodies, free live music on your lunch break, 11 am-1 pm, Market Square Park, Water Street, downtown Augusta.

...Friday 6/12 - Public Supper, chicken fricassee, mashed potatoes, veggies, homemade rolls and pies, \$7, children under 12 \$2, 4:30-6 pm, Congregational Church, Route 139, Thorndike.

...Friday 6/12 - Composition Workshop (Works for Flute), presented by participants of the Snow Pond Composers Workshop, 465-3025, 7:30 pm, Alumni Hall, Snow Pond Center for the Arts, Route 23, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney. ...Friday 6/12 - Bob Marley, 8 pm, \$27.50, Franco Center, 689-2000, Lewiston.

...Saturday 6/13 and Sunday 6/14 - The 5th Rally for Norlands: Civil War Reenactment Weekend, living history demonstrations, battle scenarios, tours, children's activities, exhibits, interactive activities, traditional crafts, food, music, to benefit Maine's oldest living history farm and museum, 897-4366, 290 Norlands Road, Livermore.

...Saturday 6/13 - Annual Yard Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Belgrade Public Library, 8 am-2 pm, 495-2101, Day's Real Estate, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

...Saturday 6/13 - Bloomfield Garden Club's Annual Plant Sale, perennials and annuals, rain or shine, 8-11 am, Skowhegan Savings Bank lot, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

...Saturday 6/13 - Antique Power Show, Skowhegan Fairgrounds, 862-2074, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

...Saturday 6/13 - Herpetology Day at the Maine Wildlife Park; the Maine Herpetological Society (www.maineherp.org) was founded in 1992 to promote responsible care of captive reptiles and amphibians and to educate mem-

bers and the general public on all aspects of Herpetoculture and habitat preservation; several live snakes and other reptiles will be on display for viewing, learning about and photographing, 11 am-2 pm, 657-4977, www.mainewildlifepark.com, Route 26, Gray.

...Saturday 6/13 - "Rocks Rock!,", families are invited to try out rock experiments, look under black lights at rocks glowing, and participate in cracking open a geode, every visitor will bring home a small piece of rock along with oodles of info about the rocks and minerals in our everyday lives, 1 pm, 238-4250, L.C. Bates Museum, Route 201, Hinckley.

...Saturday 6/13 – American Cancer Relay for Life, all night vigil, camaraderie, food, sharing, Somerset County, 1-800-ACS-2345, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Skowhegan.

...Saturday 6/13 – 18th Annual Garden Party, "Summer Stolstice In The Garden," to benefit Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, 10 am-3 pm, includes workshops and tours, children's activities, live music, general admission \$5, lunch \$10 by reservation by 6/10, 873-3615, Fieldstone Gardens, Vassalboro.



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...Saturday 6/13 - Union Coffeehouse, featuring Porch Light, acoustic folk duo, plus open mic hour, refreshments, \$5 donation at door, 7 pm, Union Church, Route 27, downtown Belgrade Lakes.

...Saturday 6/13 - Saxophone Recital, presented by participants of the Frederick L. Hemke Saxophone Institute, 465-3025, 7:30 pm, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23, Sidney.

...Sunday 6/14 - Flag Day!!!

...Sunday 6/14 - Norris Island Hike & Paddle, sponsored by the Kennebec Land Trust, bring your own canoe/kayak, 2-4 pm, 377-2848, 22 Lake Street, Wayne.

...Sunday 6/14 - Piano Recital, Tony Caramia and Jackie Edwards Henry, presented by the faculty of the New England Group Piano Teaching Institute, 465-3025, 7:30 pm, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23, Sidney.

...Wednesday 6/17 through Saturday 7/4 - Whatever 2015 Family Festival and Day in Capitol Park, sponsored by the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce, 38th annual celebration, activities and events for all ages, 623-4559, www.augustamaine.com, greater Augusta area.

...Wednesday 6/17 - Old Fort Western,

nation's oldest surviving wooden fort, open every day during Whatever Family Festival, daily tours and demonstrations, admission charged, 626-2385, Cony Street, Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/17 - Children's Discovery Museum 7th Annual Family Fun Night, Kid's Summer Kickoff Fundraiser, admission charged, 4:30-7 pm, 622-2209, Augusta Armory, Western Avenue, Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/17 – Waterfront Wednesday concert, "Nikki Hunt Band," children's activities, food, door prizes, vendors, free admission, 6 pm til sunset, Waterfront Park, Water Street, downtown Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/17 - "Preservation and Restoration of a Railroading Icon Maine Central Railroad #470," by Richard Glueck, president of New England Steam Corporation, the June program of the Kennebec Historical Society, 6:30 pm, 622-7718, Augusta City Center, 16 Cony Street, Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/17 - Readfield History: The Evolution of Summer Resorts & Kids' Camps in Readfield, 6:30-8:30 pm, 685-4923 x1065, Maranacook Adult Education, Readfield.

...Wednesday 6/17 - "Preservation and Restoration of a Railroading Icon Maine Central Railroad #470," program of the Kennebec Historical Society, 622-7718, 6:30 pm, Augusta City Center, 16 Cony Street, Augusta.

...Wednesday 6/17 through Saturday 6/20 - Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival, a dozen great bands, giant tent, food, camping areas, fun, children love bluegrass - great family event, children 16 and under free, 873-6539, Fairgrounds, Litchfield.

...Thursday 6/18 - Chamber Music Recital, presented by participants of Maine Chamber Music Seminar at Snow Pond Music Festival, 465-3025, 3 pm, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

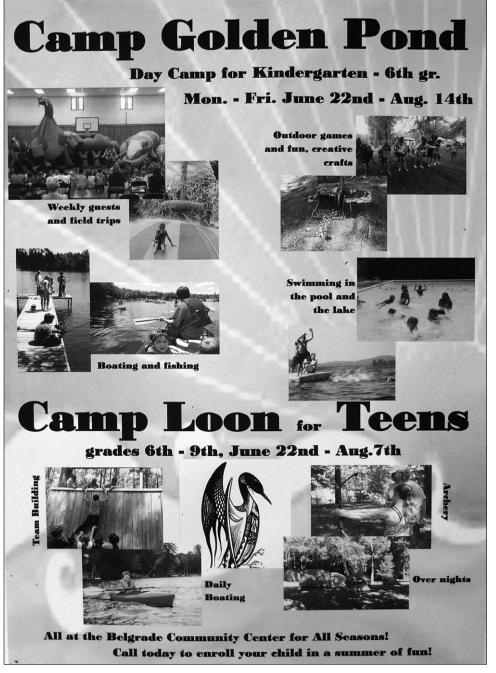
...Thursday 6/18 - Red Barn Free Summer Concert Simons and Goodwin, 660-3663, Red Barn Restaurant, Bangor Street, Augusta.

...Thursday 6/18 - Erica Brown Bluegrass Concert, sponsored by the Farmington Historical Society, 7 pm, North Church, Farmington.

...Thursday 6/18 - Annual Meeting of Belgrade Historical Society followed by program: "Hunting for Hannah Ballard," presented by Kay Marsh, 7:30 pm, 465-7924, Belgrade community Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.











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- KVCAP is celebrating 50 years with a free, family-friendly event on Saturday, June 20, 11 am-2 pm, rain or shine, at the Educare Central Maine in Waterville. 859-1630
- June 20 is the date for the next Mr. Philip Grange monthly bean supper, with 3 kinds of beans, chop suey, homemade pies, and more. Supper starts at 4:30 pm at the corner of Routes 27 and 225 in Rome.
- Sunday, June 21 is International Sun Day celebration at the L.C. Bates Museum in Hinckley, Any time from 1-4 pm look through a telescope safely at the sun or enjoy great rainy day activities inside (just in case). 238-4250
- The Skowhegan Rotary Club will celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Main Street Skowhegan with a Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 27, 1 pm shotgun start, \$55 per player. 474-4790
- The Theater At Monmouth's summer family/children's play "Fool of the World and the Flying Ship," will open on June 27 through August 20. 933-9999
- A public Italian Night supper will be held on Saturday, June 27 from 5-7 pm at the Union Church in Belgrade Lakes. Donations are \$8 adults, \$4.00 youth 5-12 years of age, free for under 5 years.

JULY

- There will be an opening reception on Friday, July 3, at the Harlow Gallery's Sculpture Garden at Vaughan Homestead, 2 Litchfield Road, Hallowell. 622-3813
- The Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed will hold the 13th Annual Friends on the 4th 5K run, jog or walk, starting at Norcross Point in Winthrop at 8 am. 621-4100
- A guided walking tour of historic Skowhegan featuring North Cemetery "Useful Citizens," will be held on Wednesday, July 8 at 10 am. Led by Melvin Burnham, Director of the Skowhegan History House Museum & Research Center, the tour will meet at the cemetery gate behind Walton Apartments on Madison Avenue. 474-6632
- Judy Pancoast will open the Oakland Public

Library summer reading with music, dancing, and singing, at 2 pm. 465-7533

- The 20th Annual Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament to benefit the Kennebec Leadership Institute will be at the Augusta Country Club on Monday, July 13, with a 12 noon shotgun start. 623-4559
- Ashley Liberty and Daniel Strange will perform classical and original jazz and bluegrass music on Friday, July 17 at 2 and 7 pm at the Araxine Wlkins Sawyer Foundation in Greene. Performances are free. 946-5311
- The 6th Annual 5K Road Race to benefit the Belgrade Public Library will be Saturday, July 27 at the Belgrade Central School at 8 am. 495-3508
- The NEPHC Showdown in Skowtown, APHA/All Breed Horse Show will be at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds July 27 and 28; covered arena, concessions, open barns, free. 474-2947
- Maine's only leap year town, Smithfield, will celebrate its 175th Anniversary on July 31 and August 1 and 2 with events at many historic sites, music, food, \$1 day at Sunset Beach, Smithfield's returning son Brigadier General Darren Hartford, and more. 362-4772

AUGUST

- On Saturday, August 1, LL Bean Camping & Discovery Schools will be featured at the Maine Wildlife Park Summer Wildlife Days in Gray, 11 am-2 pm. Join LL Bean staff for a camping demonstration for families, exhibits, displays and raffles. 657-4977
- The 2014 Taste of Greater Waterville presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, August 5, featuring children's activities on the Concourse, food, music, sales and more food along Main Street in downtown Waterville. 873-3315
- An "Independent Publishing for Maine Writers" course will be held on August 5 at 6 pm at the Belgrade Public Library, to learn how the publishing process works. 495-3508
- The 33rd Annual Wilton Blueberry Festival is scheduled for August 7 and 8. The theme of the parade is "Reading & Writing." Over 10 authors will be in attendance at the festival with readings and signings.



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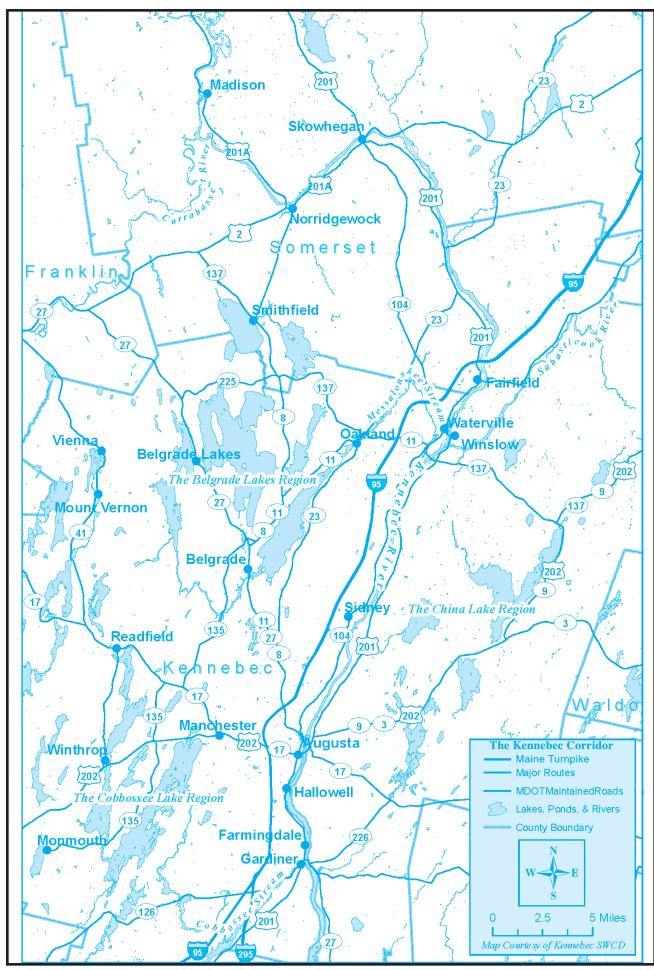
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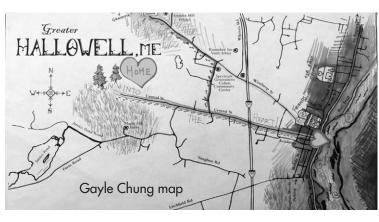


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> played in one of the gallery windows in July (If you wish, it's optional!). If you cannot come on Second Sunday, you can still be in the mini-show, stop by for a map and map YOUR Hallowell. Mark your calendars and look forward to activities on the second Sunday of every month at the Harlow Gallery, located at 160 Water Street Hallowell, Maine. These events bring artists and art lovers together to enjoy the process of making art as well as looking at art and discussing it. Most events are perfect for

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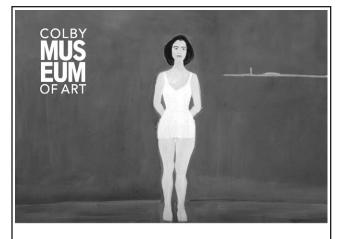
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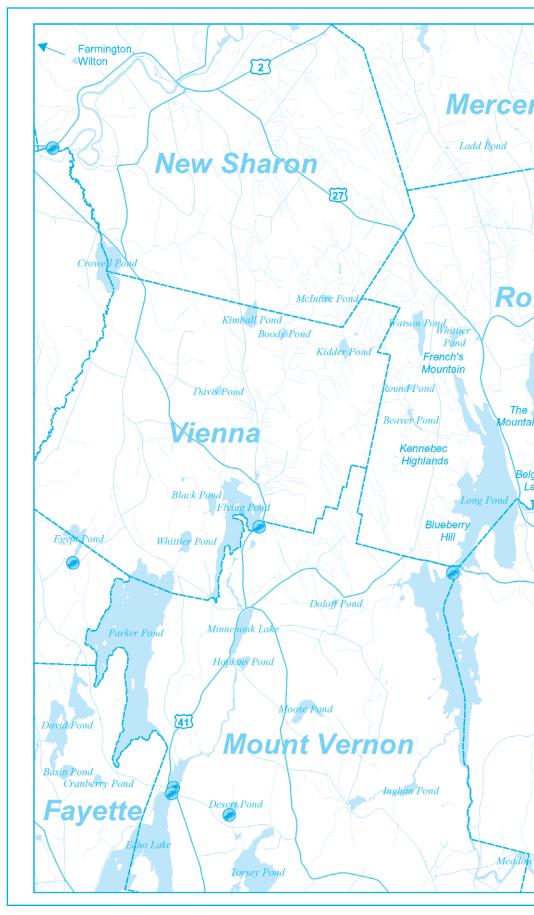
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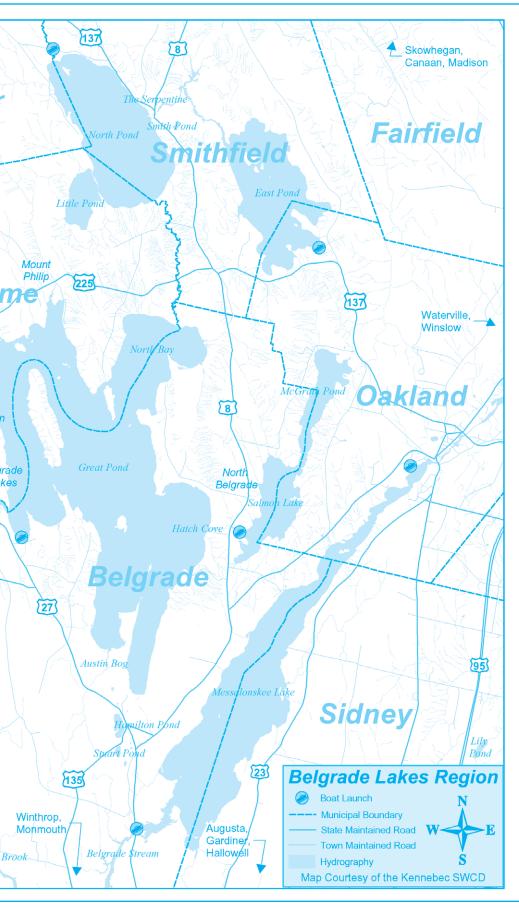
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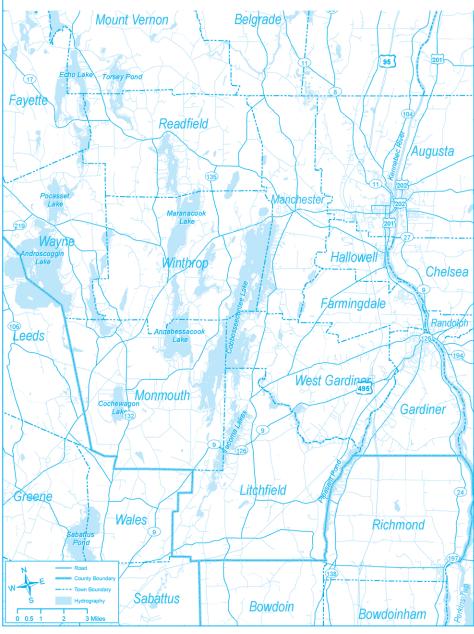
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Campers with shells.

Recently three community members have kindly provided scholarships for three children to attend the L.C.Bates Museum summer camps. Call the museum for more information about this opportunity or the camps. There are still places for other campers too.

Great summer fun and learning best describes the L.C.Bates Museum summer camps for children. Campers explore nature, local history, art and astronomy. Each week long day camp focuses on a different adventure. Campers explore the museum collections and behind the scenes in the museum to discover our local wildlife and plants and / or local history. The Naturalist as Artist Camp will observe nature with brushes, rollers or pastels in hand. During Astronomy Camp children will operate the telescopes, explore our moon, take pictures of the sun and more.

The six museum summer camps include: Nature Camp 1, June 17 to June 19, Naturalist At Artist Camp, June 22 to June 26, Nature Camp 2, June 29 to July 3, Historic Explorers Camp, July 13 to 17, Astronomy Camp, July 27 to July 31, and Artist Explorers Camp, August 3 to August 7. Each camp will investigate our natural world. Campers will use museum collections and the natural area behind the museum to investigate their natural world. Camps run from 9 am until noon, except for Naturalist As Artist Camp that runs 9 AM to 3 PM. Appropriate for ages 6-14. Call the museum at 207-238-4250 to sign your children up for our hands-on, museum day camps.

Nature activities include making a mineral and shell collection, pressing a plant, making pit traps, investigations of pond life and using the telescope to view space. These nature camps will include daily science craft activities. The Artists As Naturalists campers will enjoy a week filled with exciting creative projects in the museum and making a museum exhibition of their art. All campers will explore the amazing museum collections.

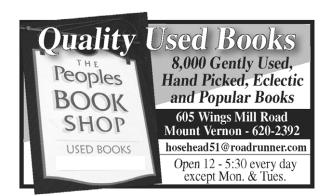


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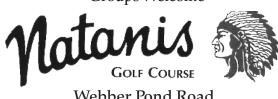
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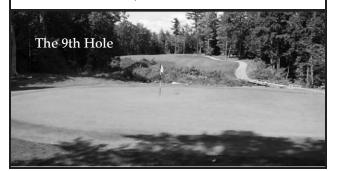
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Renovated and Expanded Winthrop Library Reopens

By Gregor Smith

Winthrop's Bailey Public Library is once again open to the reading public! A ribbon-cutting ceremony on the morning of Monday, June 1 capped a \$1.1 Million renovation and expansion that more than doubled the size of the library, from 3,300 square feet to 8,800.

The Bowdoin Street building first opened 99 years ago, when Winthrop had but 2,000 souls. As the town grew — Winthrop now has a little over 6,000 year-round residents and nearly twice as many in the summer — and the needs of its population changed, the library needed to grow and change with it.

Therefore, last August, the library broke ground for an addition, and in November, on the Monday before Thanksgiving, the library closed for two weeks so that it could be temporarily relocated to the Winthrop Commerce Center in the former Carleton Woolen Mill on Main Street. This displacement was needed to allow the old building to be renovated and integrated into the new structure. Six months later, on Friday, May 8, the temporary library closed so that everything could be moved back to the expanded facility on Bowdoin Street.

North of the original structure and connected to it by a new lobby, the addition is bright and airy, with ample natural light streaming through its oversized windows. The main floor of this annex has the circulation desk and the adult reading room and the daylight basement has a conference room and large, multipurpose room



Watching patrons as they enter the lobby, two wooden owls perch on top of two leaning stacks of books. The wooden sculpture was carved by chainsaw in a live demonstration on the library's lawn on Wednesday, May 27



An architect's drawing showing the old library on the left and the new section on the right.



The circulation desk and the adult reading room on the main level of the addition.



The children's room in the renovated old section of the library has biplanes "flying" around the ceiling.

that can seat 135 people. The main floor of the old section now houses the children's room, which was moved up from the basement.

The new section of the library flows seamlessly into the old. The exterior design of the addition complements that of the original and on the inside, one cannot even tell that the two sections were constructed nearly a century apart. Except to set off the librarian's office, there are no internal walls on the main floor, so that the space can be easily reconfigured as the community and its needs continue to change.

Although the library is now open, library supporters still need to raise about \$200,000 to pay off the costs of construction. Donations will be gratefully accepted. For more information, visit www.baileylibrary.org/fundraising/ or call Mary Jane Auns, chairwoman of the library's board of trustees, at 377-6142.



– Take It Outside

Alphabet Soup of Conservation in the Belgrades

by Pete Kallin

This has been a cold, rainy week, somewhat restricting outdoor activities. Cold rain that is not too intense is actually healthy for our lakes as it adds fresh, cool, oxygen-rich water that helps promote flushing and mixing in the lakes. Cold water holds more oxygen than warm water and the cool nights help mix that water down deeper, weakening (or in some cases eliminating) the thermal stratification that occurs in our lakes in the summertime. The cooler, more oxygenated, water keeps fish like trout and salmon happier and that, in turn, keeps fishermen happier. The secret to enjoying the

outdoors when it is cold and wet is basically the same as enjoying our Maine winters: dress appropriately. Dress in layers, avoid cotton, and wear a good rain suit that keeps water out while wicking moisture away. I, along with a few other hardcore fishermen, mostly from Castle Island Camps, spent some time out in the rain and wind last week and were rewarded for our efforts. I caught and released a few more salmon and at least twenty nice bass, almost all caught on flies that looked like alewives 15-20 ft down. One of the bass was a nice (22-in, 4.5 lb+) female that was fattening up in the deep water while her mate was scouting nest sites in the nearby shallows. By the time you read this article in the 2nd week of June, the water should be warmed up into the high-60's and the larger, breeding bass will be on the beds in the shallows, along with the sunfish.

The inclement weather gave me a chance to catch up on some of the work I do with the various nonprofits that work to conserve the lands and water quality of our region and throughout the State. There are a lot of people in our area who dedicate time and money to helping preserve these precious resources for all of us and at times it can be confusing who is doing what. I will attempt to explain the Alphabet Soup of Conservation in the Belgrades. In reality, these groups work together much closer than most people realize. While all the groups share common goals, they focus on different parts of a complex problem.

The Belgrade Lakes Watershed is roughly 180 square miles and comprises portions of 13 municipalities and includes 7 large lakes and numerous smaller ponds. There are six individual lake associations: East Pond Association (EPA), North Pond Association (NPA), McGrath Pond-Salmon Lake Association (MPSLA), Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA) (Great Pond and Long Pond), Friends of Messalonskee (FOM), and the Watson Pond Landowners Association (WPLA). The individual lake associations can be thought of as "the boots on the ground" for the individual lakes and are all volunteer membership organizations with no permanent staff. They are all active in protecting water quality on their individual lakes and all help protect their lakes from invasive plants. All the lake associations are part of the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance (BRCA)





Nice Long Pond smallmouth bass that took a streamer fly fished near the bottom

ake Trust

The BRCA is a regional membership organization dedicated to conserving the lands, water quality, and natural heritage of the Belgrade Lakes Watershed. They are both a Land Trust and a Lake Trust. As a land trust the BRCA has protected nearly 9000 acres throughout the watershed through fee purchase or conservation easement, including the 6500-acre+ Kennebec Highlands spanning Mt Vernon, Vienna, Rome, and New Sharon, and French Mountain, The Mountain, and Mount Phillip. The BRCA Lake Trust coordinates water quality programs on a watershedwide basis on behalf of the individual lake associations. The BRCA has a year round staff of 4 and expands to about 45 in the summertime to staff the water quality programs, which include the BRCA Youth Conservation Corps (YCC), the Watershed Program that applies for and carries out Nonpoint Source (NPS) pollution remediation programs funded through Section 319 of the Clean Water Act (CWA), and the Milfoil Program, which hires and trains Courtesy Boat Inspectors (CBIs) who staff the 7 public boat launches in the Belgrades, and the Milfoil removal team that does both invasive plant surveys and manual removal using divers and specially configured Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) Additionally, the Friends of Messalonskee has recently configured a DASH boat and is running its own removal program in Messalonskee Lake.

In the past 20 years, the YCC has completed over 1000 erosion control projects on all the lakes and BRCA CBIs inspect over 12,000 boats between Memorial Day and Labor Day every year. Funding for these programs comes from the individual lake associations, most of the towns in the watershed, some State and Federal grants, as well as individual and foundation contributions.

The BLA and the BRCA are housed in the Maine Lakes Resource Center (MLRC) in Belgrade Lakes Village, a separate nonprofit formed as a partnership of the BLA, BRCA, and Colby College that owns public docks, two buildings (the MLRC and MLRC Annex next to the Post Office) and serves as a venue for public lectures, community events, and the local farmers' market. The MLRC is a Low Impact

Development (LID) demonstration site that incorporates numerous Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as porous pavers, grass pavers, rain gardens, infiltration trenches, and includes a water quality laboratory and weather station. Also housed in the MLRC is the Maine Lakes Society (MLS), formerly known as Maine Congress of Lake Associations (MECoLA). MLS is a state-wide membership organization that includes lake associations, as well as individuals and businesses. MLS works to protect all Maine lakes through science-based education, advocacy, and action. They administer the LakeSmart Program, a program designed to get shorefront property owners to maintain their properties in a more lake friendly manner, and the Lakes Alive Program, a lake education program focused on middle school students that has a specially equipped 30-ft floating classroom. Additionally they work with other state-wide conservation groups such as Maine Audubon and the Natural Resources Council of Maine (NRCM) to develop and advocate for legislation designed to protect Maine lakes.

See, I told you it would be simple. Believe me when I tell you that understanding how all these groups interact is much simpler than understanding all the complex, biological and physical processes interacting to affect water quality in our lakes including how human actions influence those processes. The hardest piece of the puzzle is getting people to actually change their behavior so their individual actions help improve the situation instead of making it worse. You can begin helping by joining some of these organizations and volunteering. You will meet a lot of awesome people who are already working on your behalf even though you may not know it.

While you think about it, take a kid fishing or on a hike, or paddling in a canoe.







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College in Waterville. Multiple volunteer opportunities are available. Volunteers receive a t-shirt as well as food and housing if applicable. LungNE.org, 624-

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Mid-Maine Global Forum

• Wrapping up its nineteenth year, the Mid-Maine Global Forum provides presentations on international topics such as climate change mitigation, cyberwarfare, the International Criminal Court, the civil war in Syria and the impact of the war on the Vietnamese. On Thursday, August 6, the annual dinner guest speaker will be Senator George Mitchell with a talk entitled "The U.S. Role in the World: Challenges of the 21st Century." To learn more visit wwwmidmaineglobalforum.org

Trek Across Maine

• The American Lung Association presents the 31st Annual Trek Across Maine on June 19-21. Bikers travel from Bethel to Belfast and spend overnights at the University of Maine at Farmington and at Colby



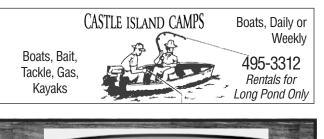
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Write On Golden Pond Workshop

• From the person who best captured summer life on a lake, "On Gold Pond" Academy Award-winning writer Ernest Thompson is offering an exclusive workshop at his home and writing retreat in the lakes region of New Hampshire, June 28-28. Interested in writing film, theatre or prose, experienced or never put pen to paper, writers with dreams or in need of organization will find this distraction-free immersion confidence-building and productive. 603 744-365

Belgrade

• "Friends 'n Neighbors," the free public luncheons sponsored by the Union Church in Belgrade Lakes will be held on the following dates during the summer: June 11, July 9, August 13, September 10 and October 18. The soup or salad and sandwich event is open to the public and welcomes everyone.

Fairfield

• Fairfield Historical Society is celebrating "Food from the Past" on Saturday, July 11, at the History House, 42 High Street. The special event will celebrate how our ancestors held social events around food. At 10 am will be the making and tasting of homemade donuts. At 11 am there will be an old-fashioned taffy pull. At 1 pm homemade ice cream will be made and guests are invited to help with the cranking and eating. Tours of the house and carriage house will be held on the half hour from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Antique donut holders will be for sale. Reservations are appreciated but not mandatory. 453-2998

Hallowell

• Auditions for The Gaslight Theater's show "Picasso at the Lapin Agile," by Steve Martin (directed by George Dunn) are on Monday and Tuesday, June 22 and 23 at 6:30 pm at Hallowell City Hall. Steve Martin's first full-length play has Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso meeting at the Lapin Agile (Agile Rabbit), a bar in Montmartre, Paris in 1904. Both are "on the verge" of amazing ideas: Einstein his theory of relativity and Picasso the pivotal painting Les Desmoiselles d'Avignon. A lengthy debate about the value of genius and talent ensues, involving some unique characters. Production dates August 21-23 and 28-30. 626-3698

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company of other artists! Let the 455 acres of woods, fields, reflecting pools and 19th century buildings your art. Artist Retreat: Inward Discovery/Outward Expression will be held at Washburn-Norlands Living History Center August 14-16. Besides ample time to work or relax, the retreat includes six delicious meals, special evening programs, wine and hors d'oeuvres, tours and classes. The cost is \$300 per person. Space is very limited. Registration and \$100 deposit due by July 10; full payment due by August 1. 897-4366

Manchester

• Over 18 different vendors will be featured at the Longfellow's Greenhouses Summer Farmers' Market, held every Saturday, June 20 through September 26, 9 am-1 pm, 81 Puddledock Road. Fresh produce from local farmers, organic vegetables, bakery products, jellies, honey, pies, meats, yarns, lobster, olive oils and vinegars, flowers and wood fired artisan style pizza will be among the many foods represented. Sandwiches and chowders and other lunch food will be available. 622-5965

Skowhegan

• The Skowhegan History House Museum & Research Center at 66 Elm Street will host "After Hours," featuring early maps archived in the History House collection, tours of interest by museum guides and presentations with the Board of Trustees on the museum's programs and future directions. Refreshments and door prizes will be provided, 5-7 pm. 474-6632

Waterville

• The 18th Summer Solstice in the Garden to benefit Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area will be held on Saturday, June 13 from 10 am to 3 pm at Fieldstone Gardens, Quaker Lane, where guests of all ages will enjoy gardening workshops and tours, children's activities, building fairy houses, live music, artisan wares, a buffet gourmet luncheon and guest speaker Dr. Nathaniel Petley, naturopathic doctor and clinical herbalist. \$5 admission fee per person includes Fairy Feast lunch for children 12 years and under; \$10 for gourmet lunch. Pre-register at 873-3615

Wayne

• On Sunday, June 28, at 3 pm, Wayne's Cary Memorial Library will host Maine's Lily King, author of "Euphoria." Inspired by events in the life of revolutionary anthropologist Margaret Mead and set in 1930s New Guinea, "Euphoria" tells the story of three trailblazing anthropologists caught in a passionate love triangle that threatens their bonds, their careers and, ultimately, their lives.

Lily King is also the author of the novels: "The Pleasing Hour," "The English Teacher," and "Father of the Rain." She is the recipient of a Whiting Writers' Award and the Maine Fiction Award (twice). Copies of Ms. King's books will be available for purchase and signing. The program is free and all are cordially

The Cary Memorial Library (685-3612) is located at 17 Old Winthrop Road in downtown Wayne, just off Route 133.



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Garden Party Is Perfect Outing For All Ages



The 18th Annual Garden Party to benefit herbs and how to make different types of herbal held on Saturday, June 13 from 10 am-3 pm at Fieldstone Gardens in Vassalboro. The Party will include gardening workshops and tours, children's activities, building fairy houses, live music, artisan wares, hourly door prizes and a buffet gourmet luncheon.

The \$10 gourmet buffet luncheon, catered by Lori Dumont of Feeding the Multitude, will be served from 12-1 pm. Reservations are recommended; call 873-3615 by June 10.

This year's guest speaker for the workshops is Dr. Nathaniel Petley, naturopathic doctor and clinical herbalist from the Maine Center for Natural Health, who will focus on identifying, harvesting and using safe and easy-to-grow

Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area will be teas. Fieldstone Gardens will offer plant specials throughout the day. A free Daylily will be given to the first 100 guests 18 years of age and older.

Children are encouraged to dress in Fairy attire. The Children's Garden schedule includes: 10-11:30 am Story Time for Fairies, Fairy House Building; 11:30 am-12:30 pm Fairy Feast; 12:30-2:30 pm Crafts and children's activities.

Live music will be provided by Harry Vayo, dulcimer 1-1:45 pm and David Deas and Friends

Admission is \$5 which includes all gardening workshops, all children's activities and the buffet Fairy Feast for the children. Fieldstone Gardens is located on Quaker Lane in Vassalboro



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Thayer Engineering, septic design, storm water mitigation, permitting, 17 Hasson Street, Farmingdale, 582-7762, www.thayereng.com

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Belgrade Boat Storage, 46 Oakland Road, Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, *belgradeboatrentals.com* **David Stevens**, P0 Box 146, Belgrade, 465-3815, cell 314-0314



EYE CARE

Eye Care of Maine, 325 E. Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville, 873-2731, www.Maine2020.com

FARMSTANDS

Winterberry Farm, 538 Augusta Road, Route 27, Belgrade, 495-2593, 649-3331, www.winterberryfarmstand.com

FINANCIAL PLANNING

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

FIREWOOD

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

FLOORING

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

GIFTS

Day's Store, 180 Main Street, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

GOLF

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

GROCERIES

Damon's Quick Stop, 670 Civic Center Drive/Route 27, North Augusta, 622-3334

Day's Store, 180 Main Street, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

HEALTH CENTERS

Belgrade Regional Health Center, 4 Clement Way, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3323, www.healthreachchc.org, belgradechc.org

Inland Hospital, 200 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville, 861-3000, 1-800-491-8600, www.inlandhospital.org

MaineGeneral Medical Center, Alfond Center for Health, 35 Medical Center Parkway, Augusta; Thayer Center for Health, 149 North Street, Waterville, 1-855-4463, www.mainegeneral.org

ICE CREAM

Day's Store, 180 Main Street/Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

JEWELRY

Larsen's Jewelers, 57 Main Street, Waterville, 872-6301, 800-697-1874, www.larsensjewelers.com

L.Tardif Jeweler, 62 Main Street, Waterville, 872-7542, 800-834-3638

KITCHENS

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LAKE ASSOCIATIONS

Belgrade Lakes Association (BLA), Long Pond and Great Pond, PO Box 551, 137 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 512-5150, www.belgradelakesassociation.com

LANDSCAPING

G&L Contracting, Belgrade Lakes, 215-7951, 495-2325, 233-7408, gandlcontractingmaine.com **Lynch Landscaping,** Skowhegan, 474-2420, lynchlandscaping.com

MEATS

Day's Store, 180 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2205, www.go2days.com

MOVIE THEATERS

Railroad Square Cinema, call for titles and times, 17 Railroad Square, Waterville, 873-6526, www.railroad-squarecinema.com

MUSEUMS

Colby College Museum of Art, Mayflower Hill, Waterville, 859-4000, www.colby.edu/museum/

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Dockside Physical Therapy, 47 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3195, 512-2544, Fax 512-2545

PIANO ENJOYMENT

Diane Gorman, 906 Manchester Road, Belgrade, 495-3222,

PLUMBING

Paul Hanna's Plumbing, Belgrade, 495-3805

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Elleneil Property Maintenance, 620 Industry Road, New Sharon, 491-6076

REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENTS

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

REAL ESTATE

Coldwell Banker Thomas Agency, 75 Main Street, Winthrop, 377-2121, www.coldwellbankerthomas.com

Day's Real Estate, 262 Augusta Road, Route 27,
Belgrade Lakes, 495-3111, 1-888-495-3111,
www.daysrealestate.com

Lakepoint Real Estate, 221 Main Street, Belgrade Lakes, 495-3700, www.belgradelakepoint.com

Sprague & Curtis Real Estate, 75 Western Avenue, Augusta, 623-1123, www.spragueandcurtis.com

LODGING RESERVATIONS

See page 18

RESTAURANTS

See Dining Directory on page 19

RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES

Granite Hill Estates, 60 Balsam Drive, Hallowell, 626-7786, 1-888-321-1119, www.granitehillestates.com

SCHOOLS

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

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SECURITY SYSTEMS

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

SELF STORAGE

Maple Leaf Self Storage, 688 Manchester Road., Route 135, Belgrade, 495-2191

STONEWORK

Gagne and Son, 28 Old Route 27, Belgrade, 495-3313, 1-800-339-3313, www.gagneandson.com

SURVEYING

Acme Land Surveying, 108 Fairbanks Road, Suite 5, Farmington, 778-4081, www.acmelandsurveying.com

VETERINARY SERVICES

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

VIDEO PRODUCTIONS

Fertile Matrix Media, Oakland, 423-6934, www.FertileMatrixMedia.com

WINDOWS

Hammond Lumber Company. Auburn, Bangor, Belgrade, Boothbay, Brunswick, Damariscotta, Fairfield, Farmington, Greenville, Pemaquid, Portland, Skowhegan, Wilton, 1-866-HAMMOND, www.hammondlumber.com

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Presented at the Litchfield Fairgrounds, June 17-20, the Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival offers a large tented spectator area, food and music-oriented concessions, a spacious camping area with super clean restroom facilities, and a great line up of bands from around the country, including:

- -The Gibson Brothers NY, Saturday
- -Little Roy & Lizzy GA and TN, Saturday
- -Dan Paisley & The Southern Grass PA,
- -The Cleverlys MO, Wednesday
- -The Kevin Prater Band KY, Thursday, Friday
- -Zink & Company MA, Saturday
- -Wilf Clark & Misty Mountaineers ME, Friday, Sat
- -The Baker Family MO, Friday, Saturday
- -Trinity River Band FL, Thursday
- -Phat Burger Deluxe ME, Wednesday, Thursday, Fri
- -Robinson's Bluegrass Gospel Sing & Jam -

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-Blistered Fingers – ME, Saturday

band, Blistered Fingers, and the enthusiastic Saturday with the gospel sing along on Sunday organizer of the Blistered Fingers festivals, will morning at 10 am. be the emcee for the June event.

Academy for ages 5-18 that immerses young musicians in a rewarding practice-and-play experience.

For campers who want to get in extra relax-

ation and pickin' time, the gate will open at 8 am on Sunday morning for Early Bird camping. The Sandy Cormier, who is a member of the host stage shows will be Wednesday through

In addition to day tickets, weekend tickets and A special feature on Saturday is the free Kids camping rates (and pet rates) are available. But remember, this year for the first time, children age 16 and under are free. For more information visit www.blisteredfingers.com or call 873-6539.



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In case you do have a health concern while visiting, we are available to treat acute problems as well as chronic health conditions. Please call us for an appointment at (207) 495-3323, and we will see you as soon as possible at the health center. Our appointment hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., and Tuesday evening 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

If you have a major medical emergency such as chest pain, a severe breathing problem, cardiac condition, or major trauma, please call 911 or go to the nearest emergency room.

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MARANACOOK LAKE- Beautiful 3-4 bedroom Readfield home with shared Maranacook Lake access/beach. Nice layout, living room with fireplace, formal dining room, some hardwood floors 1st floor den/office, lovely breezeway family room with skylights and glass doors to back deck, 2 car with overhead storage, more, Spacious vard lovely area, nice neighborhood, good schools Lots to offer, a wonderful home MLS #1219174 \$249,900



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Conservation Too -

Beware of the drive to have a "lush lawn". I suggest going with a "Maine lawn". If we didn't have dandelions or other broadleaved weeds, we wouldn't even have a lawn. While I'm not quite that adamant, we do recommend only managing a lawn and yard that you actually need and use. You've guessed it… I want to talk about lawn care again

I'm sure Bernie Sanders would agree that individual competition may NOT generate the most good for the greatest number. The drive of many landowners to create and manage their prize "lawn scape" is a case in point.

Each year, an average family with a one-third-acre lawn will use up to 18 gallons of fossil fuels in their efforts to manage their lawn. That includes gasoline plus the petroleum products used for fertilizer and pesticides.

An attractive lawn can be grown without regular use of pesticides (weed, insect, or disease controls) and little or no added fertilizer. Researchers have been analyzing every facet of lawn production and maintenance to see what works and what doesn't. New guidelines have been developed. Following these amended guidelines will help us to have truly "green" lawns that can significantly reduce the risks for our children, pets, and our lakes, streams and ground water.

What are the options for people who still want that great, green and lush yard? You need to ask yourself a few questions. –

- How much of your yard needs to be lawn? [I've visited LakeSmart sites with none.]
- How much of your yard even needs to be managed? Let some of the property grow back to a more natural state with local varieties of plants and little to no need for maintenance. [Some people only mow trails and have a spot to play croquet.]
- Given the amount of lawn you want or need, what sort of grass would be best? Different varieties that grow better in different conditions and soils. Get a soil test to learn what will be best and what, if any, soil amenities you need i.e. fertilizer.
- •Once a lawn area is established, how and when should you mow and maintain it?

The following information may help.

Contrary to common practice, spring is not the best time to fertilize a lawn. At that time, nitrogen will encourage top growth at the expense of roots and will promote germination of weed seeds. If and when fertilizer is applied, ideally it should be done only once or twice a year in late August or September. This approach provides fertilizer when the grass can best utilize it, not when it is likely to run off into waterways (always sweep fertilizer back onto the lawn from sidewalks and driveways). Fertilizer should never be applied to frozen or saturated soils, or in advance of expected heavy rain.

Select grass seed that works in your area and demands less maintenance. Turf-type tall fescues and fine-leaf fescues require less fertilizer and water and are more shade-tolerant. These are the "green" species we want on our lawns. In small amounts, perennial ryegrass, because of its quick growth rate, is perfect for overseeding bare spots but it is not as suitable for covering an entire lawn.

Mow your smaller lawn to maximize its health. It is well established that the higher the cut when mowing the lawn, the deeper and more extensive the root system. Deeper-rooted lawns recover more quickly from drought. Higher mowing heights leave a lawn with more resistance to water movement, therefore reducing runoff. Higher cut grasses can also tolerate a higher population of pests without significant damage. Last, and certainly not least, taller grass shades out weeds and reduces the number of seeds that germinate.

In much of Maine, an appropriate lawn will need little watering. Except for a few weeks in the summer, most lawns rarely need watering. Only if absolutely necessary, deeply soak the lawn once or twice a week with a total of 1" of water. Frequent, shallow watering encourages shallow root growth, thatch buildup, and increases the potential for pesticide and fertilizer runoff.

Try and remember why you like spending the summer here in Maine with its great lakes and streams and greenery. Here is a hint - "IT'S THE WATER"! How you manage and care for your yard, can have a disastrous impact on water quality. DO YOUR PART!

Personally I've tried to move my yard care from the socialist to the anar-

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chist philosophy. I seldom water the grass, then only a small patch in front of the house. Much of the original lawn is now garden with various trees, shrubs and other plants mulched with old leaves and stump grindings. These gardens are situated to collect nearly all the water runoff from my yard. And, last but not least, the lawn I still have is only mowed in selective areas. Whole sections just have pathways mowed through or around them and the "wild stuff" is allowed to grow until late fall when I cut and compost the summer's growth.

***Statistics come from PPPlants. Check out the new web site at www.safelawns.org

***Other information from Maine YardScaping publications.

OTHER SOURCES OF INFORMATION INCLUDE:

- Gardening to Conserve Maine's Landscape: Plants to Use and Plants to Avoid" available at www.UMaine.edu/publications/2500e/
 - For wildlife check out www.nwf.org/gardenforwildlife/
 - Maine YardScaping Partnership: www.yardscaping.org
 - Lawn Care without Pesticides: www.gardening.cornell.edu/lawn/
- The Homeowners Lawn Care Water Quality Almanac: www.gardening.cornell.edu/lawn/almanac/index.html
- Fertilizer Calculator: www.cag.uconn.edu/ces/sustainability/fert-calc.html
- •Insect Parasitic Nematodes for Turfgrass Pest Management: http://ipm.uconn.edu/documents/raw2/Beneficial%20Nematodes/Beneficial%20Nematodes.php?aid=184
- •Maine and on-line vendors of biocontrols: http://www.maine.gov/dacf/php/pesticides/yardscaping/lawn/pest.htm



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