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CHESS ANYONE? - Looking for something to do during rainy lunch hours? If you can't go out, and are tired of playing cards or simply want something challenging to do during lunch, contact Steve Spencer, LURC (2631), or Steve Oliveri, MFS (2791).

NATURE WALKS & FIELD TRIPS - Tuesday mornings beginning April 19, weather permitting, meet at the Department of Environmental Protection parking lot at 6:30 a.m. Binoculars and field guides are recommended; also, be prepared for walking over wet grass and soggy trails. Steve Oliveri will be your guide and point out the many birds and early spring wild flowers. The Pine Tree State Arboretum is an excellent place to see migrant birds which pass through this area only briefly in the spring, as well as many resident species. For more information, contact Steve at 2791.

The Maine Chapter of the Nature Conservancy will conduct a "Stewardship Workshop" for those interested in the Stewardship of Maine's significant natural features and lands at the Chewonki Foundation in Wiscasset, Saturday, May 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Workshop sessions include a feature speaker from the Nature Conservancy staff and how-to sessions on maps, general plant identification, legal matters, and public relations. A picnic lunch will be provided before an afternoon nature walk. For more information, contact Karen Gustafson at the Nature Conservancy in Brunswick.

Commissioner Anderson conducted a Maine Audubon field trip of Casco Bay on April 10. Approximately 200 people witnessed the northward migration of brant--small, dark, wild geese. The group also saw several red-necked grebes--a diving and swimming bird related to the loon, and thousands of common eiders--sea ducks. The tour also included viewing the new fish pier and the Bath Iron Works dry dock, which the Commissioner says are "changing the face of the waterfront in Portland."

DOC'S AVID FISHERMEN - Bill Orcutt, District Ranger with the Maine Forest Service in Greenville, was recently included in an article in the Maine Sportsman. The following excerpt describes Bill's fishing prowess.

"Bill Orcutt, an avid fisherman, has shown that winters at Moosehead Lake can be productive, as well as a lot of fun and memories. Bill seems to have caught 12-pound, 3-ounce and 11-pound, 5-ounce togue which are leading the scales so far. That's pretty hard to beat any time of year."

On another fishing note, Marshall Wiebe landed a 7-pound Brown Trout this past Sunday.

SPRUCE BUDWORM 800 LINES - The 1983 spruce budworm public information telephone lines are now activated and planned for use according to the following schedule:

Augusta: 1-800-442-7028--This line will be active weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until May 13.

Presque Isle: 1-800-442-8112--This line will be active on a daily basis from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. starting May 16.

State personnel who have need for spruce budworm information should use normal State lines whenever possible, reserving the 800 lines for the public.

ACT OF HEROISM - Allagash Ranger Brady Scott was recently featured in a Katahdin Journal article by sportswriter Wilmot Robinson. A portion of the article follows:

"On a recent trip to Round Pond (near Chamberlain Bridge) he witnessed three coyotes crossing the ice, and was nearly run over by a whitetail deer. He later found out that the deer had been chased by the coyotes, and ran into the open water area near the Golden Road bridge crossing. A very alert and courageous ranger stationed at this outpost spotted the deer in the water and realized its plight. Weak ice and current combined to make it impossible for the animal to get out of the water. In time it would have become weakened by its efforts and drowning would have been inevitable.

The quick-thinking ranger launched his boat into the thoroughfare, wasting no time in reaching the struggling deer, and eventually succeeded in helping it gain a footing on solid ice."

WCBB - Channel 10 (the public television station covering Augusta, Lewiston, and parts of Portland) will rebroadcast the three-part series, The Forest: Maine's Legacy and Future, on Friday evenings at 9:00 p.m., beginning May 6. "The Past" will be featured Friday, May 6; "The Present," May 13; and "The Future," May 20.

BPL CONFERENCE - The Bureau of Public Lands is sponsoring a Submerged Lands Management Conference April 25 through 29, at the Eastland Hotel in Portland. The keynote address, entitled "Judicial Protection of Public Rights in the Shoreline: The Doctrine of Public Trust and Submerged Lands," will be presented by Jan S. Stevens, Deputy Attorney General for Land Law in California. Approximately 18 different States and Provinces are currently planning to attend. For more information, contact Ken Spalding at 3061.

BILINGUAL - Lewis Allen and Steve Spencer conducted the Land Use Regulation Commission's first bilingual training sessions for International Paper Company's Canadian contractors on April 13 and 14.

GRAND OPENING - June 4 has been selected as the official opening day for State parks. Special activities designed around the theme "Meet Me At The Parks" will be announced soon. Commissioner Anderson recently taped a 30-second public service announcement of the event.

SAVINGS BOND - The U. S. Savings Bond Payroll Campaign has been set for April 18, 1983 through April 29, 1983. Roscoe Sanborn is chairperson for DOC. With your paycheck today you received a pamphlet so that you will know all about these new Series EE Bonds. The canvasser for your Bureau will be contacting you shortly. We hope that you will be

able to join the Payroll Savings Plan. By doing this you will be saving for the future and helping your country as well.

The following people have volunteered to be canvassers for their Bureau:

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| <u>Albert Willis</u> | Forestry |
| <u>Donna Bilodeau</u> | Public Lands |
| <u>Donna McLaughlin</u> | Land Use Regulation Commission |
| <u>Carole Ricker</u> | Maine Geological Survey |
| <u>Jean Kinney</u> | Parks & Recreation |
| <u>Roscoe Sanborn</u> | Administrative Services |

We have mailed a canvasser packet to each Regional Office--field personnel should contact their Regional Offices.

Savings Bonds are currently paying 11.09% and will never go below 7.5%.

PANEL - Jim Connors, Land Use Regulation Commission, and Robert Locke, Maine Forest Service, will participate in a panel discussion entitled "Improving Forest Practices in Maine," Wednesday, April 20, from 1:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. Other panelists include Dr. Eberhard Thiele, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Douglas Marston, Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; Kim Kolman, J. D. Irving; Robert Wright, Great Northern Paper Company; and Scott Hennington, Logging Crew Foreman.

Commissioner Anderson will be a panelist in a "Discussion of Maine-Quebec Trade" on Saturday, April 30, 9:30 a.m., at the University of Maine at Farmington. This discussion is part of the Maine Council for Canadian Studies 1983 Conference, April 29 - 30.

With the theme "Focus on Quebec," the conference includes sessions on economic development, literature and theater, American influence in Quebec, internal trends, Canadian studies, a cross-cultural teaching workshop, and French-Canadian migration. A pre-conference field trip to Quebec City and sawmill operations along the Canada-U. S. border is scheduled for April 27 - 28. See Liz Pynchon for more details.

LEGISLATIVE - The Energy and Natural Resources Committee heard the Governor's Rivers Bill April 13 before an audience of roughly 300 at the Augusta Civic Center.

Commissioner Anderson submitted testimony describing the process and results of the Maine Rivers Study and how the Executive Order flowed from the Study. He urged passage of the bill, stating that "its enactment is an action that will be applauded now and for years to come both within this State and elsewhere in the nation."

TV SPOTS - Tom Radsky discussed Land Use Regulation Commission regulations and answered questions from viewers during a live broadcast on MPBN, April 19 at 11:00 a.m. The program, sponsored by the Center for Real Estate Education at the University of Southern Maine, also included representatives of the Department of Environmental Protection, the State Planning Office, and two Land Use Planners.

Commissioner Anderson discussed Rivers Policy on WGAN's April 17th edition of "At Issue."

PUBLICATION DISTRIBUTION - The Maine State Library needs 18 copies of every publication. Technical reports, pamphlets, and informational handouts are to be included.

REMINDER

The copies the Library receives are distributed to all University of Maine campuses, as well as Colby, Bates, Bowdoin, and Portland public libraries. In addition, two copies are sent to the Library of Congress.

Twice a year, the Maine State Library publishes a list of our publications and sends that list to every public and private library in the United States and Canada. If you are not sure about whether you need to include your most recent publication, contact Reference Librarians Elaine Stanley or Mary-Lou Cobb at 3561.

BUG TALK - On April 30, Don Ouellette will staff an Entomology Display during a "Downtown Tree Show," sponsored by the Downtown Development and Management Corporation of Lewiston. A variety of commercial displays and exhibits will be set up along Lisbon Street from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

BRIEFLY STATED - The 1982 Season Pass winners at the Sportsman's Show were Vaughn Stevens of Augusta, Chuck Hillier of Winthrop, and Mary Ann Therault of Sanford... Alec Giffen will begin his new duties as Director of the Land Use Regulation Commission on April 19... Tom Cieslinski is in the Florida Keyes eating stone crabs and drinking Old Milwaukee... Dick Coffin is catching some spring skiing in Utah.

