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## Let's Go To Belgrade Lakes!

by Esther J. Perne



Let's go to Belgrade Lakes. Let's go to the hub, the core, the heart of the beautiful, beloved Belgrades. The Lakes, as this scenic, water-surrounded village was called for years, is the place where vacationers are sent and where guests are taken, the destination where by boat or by car, by bike or by hike the visit is rewarding.

Belgrade Lakes is a great place to go for no reasons at all - just wandering and just looking, the best place to visit for reasons specific: the mail, ice cream, a souvenir, fishing gear or gas, and sociability and a unique destination for special events.

The first weekend in August, the one coming up, when some of the season's most traditional

and popular activities are on the agenda, will be no exception.

First, on Saturday there will be a dedication, the ropes will come down and everyone will be welcomed to the space they've been waiting for - to Belgrade Lake's newest public space, "The Belgrade Village Green." (See photo page 2.)

Constructed on land that was once part of the grand and historic Belgrade Hotel's spacious lawns and golf course, the Belgrade Village Green is cause for a lot of celebration: The new one-acre park at the south end of Belgrade Lakes Village features a gazebo, a unique stone seat wall, benches, bike racks, a small parking lot and pathways through the park and is the ideal setting for picnics, concerts, weddings and quiet

relaxing.

At 3 pm, the festivities will begin. Free ice cream, free balloons and free face painting will be part of the celebration. Music will be provided by the Gawler Family. The ribbon cutting and dedication will take place at 4 pm.

During the dedication, the community's landmark service group, Neighbors Driving Neighbors, will be offering a Dessert and Art Silent Auction from 3-4:15 pm to help fund their volunteer ride program, which provides free rides to residents of Belgrade, Fayette, Mount Vernon, Rome and Vienna who do not drive.

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vide 102 different riders varying in age from 28-94, with rides to various destinations, with a 50/50 split between medical and non medical. The volunteers have driven over 49,000 miles and donated 2,342 hours of their time in addition to mileage expenses.

When the festivities at the Village Green are over, it's time to walk the new brick sidewalks, discover the new shops in town - or the changes to the old ones, see where new trees have been planted and admire the water views everywhere.

There are some tempting options for eating in Belgrade Lakes, but the number one popular choice on Saturday, August 3, is the Bean Hole Bean Supper, hosted by the Belgrade Fire Department, at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons starting at 5 pm.

Bean Hole beans were the staple of the logging industry when Maine's massive rivers were used to transport logs and camp cooks traveled downstream in advance to bury the beans that would cook overnight and assure a hot meal for



the hungry log drivers.

Today's cooks, the Belgrade Fire and Rescue volunteers have spent the last 24 hours burning several cords of wood and burying cast iron kettles of beans in the hot embers. Dozens of hungry guests wait in line each year for the 3 types of beans, hot dogs, cole slaw and homemade pies. It's an awesome meal and it's also a way to say thank you to Belgrade's awesome emergency personnel.

Just as one tradition in Belgrade Lakes ends, another begins: the annual Belgrade Lakes Loon Calling Contest. Sponsored by Castle Island Camps, the contest, which is held at the LakePoint docks on the Rome side of the Belgrade Lakes bridge, attracts crowds of spectators by water and by land and entices participants from ages 3 to 103 to try their luck imitating the call of the iconic loon.

The loon calling may be a good ending to a busy Belgrade Lakes Saturday, but the weekend

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isn't over.

On Sundays weekly, the Belgrade Lakes Market is a definite go-to for local products and produce, home baked goods and goodies, and furnishings and gift items. With roughly twenty participating vendors, the Market, located on Main Street beside the Maine Lakes Resource Center building, is bustling with farmers and artisans and consumers who enjoy shopping locally. The Market runs from 8 am to 1 pm rain or shine.

This particular Sunday at the Market at noon, there will be a very special raffle drawing. The Belgrade Lakes Association's Summer Raffle is one of the area's most important fundraisers in protecting and improving the watershed of Great Pond and Long Pond. The grand prize this year is the world's most popular sail boat - a LaserPerformance SunFish. There will be other prizes, too and it's not too late to buy a raffle!

On Sunday, August 4, there will also be another market-style venue in Belgrade Lakes: the Belgrade Lakeside Artisan Show at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons near the shore of Great Pond. From 9 am to 3 pm, shoppers can choose from a wide variety of Maine Artisans and Craftspeople's wares, including: pottery, fabric, photography, jewelry, food, woodworking, baskets, leather work and much more.

Shopping at the Belgrade Lakes Market and at the Lakeside Artisan Show may be a good ending to a busy Belgrade Lakes weekend, but there are more weekends to come - beautiful, fall weekends to stroll and shop and eat.

Let's go to Belgrade Lakes. 

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## —The Luckiest Boy—

As Maine's summer season skips along, a certain mindset and aura engulf us all. I think we could all make our own list of what summer means to us and many would look very similar. Some of our list would include: sails on the horizon, family picnics, company from near and far, the laughter of children—and lights around the lake. As much as 25 years ago we came to realize that the number of cottage lights around the shoreline was the perfect visual representative of the seasons coming and going. There seemed to be four lights along the West shore of Great Pond that burned all year regardless of season. We suspected that at least some of those few were automated night lights and the owners were now in Florida or Arizona! The number of lights would slowly grow through May and June then come to a crescendo sometime in July. After a short period of what we might consider "prime summer", maybe four to six weeks, we would note a lessening of lumens peeking back at us. After early

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In his Pulitzer John Adams, I was amazed to read that the young lawyer, on horseback, came to our nearby Pownalborough Courthouse on the Kennebec only to serve once. The rough horseback ride into the woods was too much for John Adams to return.

*The Pioneers* was a slow read for me in comparison to others by McCullough. Mike Hill, his assistant for thirty-five years, certainly had loads of well organized letters and journals to help sort through and I felt I was reading quote after quote of meticulous detail in *The Pioneers* daily challenges on the frontier. Maybe you could find another McCullough history on the shelves. Most every single one is enlightening and I keep wondering why history in school was not as fascinating as these books by respected David McCullough.

## The Lights Are On

by Rod Johnson

September's Labor Day weekend, an abrupt decline was very evident. Soon in early October, while the days grew shorter and the leaves were busy turning themselves into a fall color harvest, we counted less than a dozen. On or about November first, a light count produced the familiar number of four. We knew that in six months a full cycle had occurred—and it was time for us to turn out our own light.

Let's not rush it, but as we all enjoy this wonderful warm time here in Maine, we know that soon a slow transition will be coming along. The nights will become a tad cooler (great snoozing weather), and the water temp for swimming will drop a few degrees. In mid to latter August it seems there is always a "first red leaf" spotted, a visual reminder that fall is creeping in. For now, the lights are on, enjoy your summertime to the fullest and don't turn out your light until absolutely mandatory!



He was kind enough to sign my very old paperback of *The Johnstown Flood* when he introduced his daughter at Merrill Auditorium in Portland years ago. She was beginning her writing career with a novel. He certainly was the proud papa.

I also heard David McCullough, Jr. at the Savannah, Ga. Book Festival in February a few years ago when his nonfiction was published, "*You Are Not Special*", a phrase taken out of context from his commencement speech at the school graduation where he teaches English. Boy, did that go viral on the web at that time, so he was forced into explaining the use of that phrase in his speech by writing a book. Very clear what he meant and the world wide web certainly does sometimes cause miscommunication. That was way before Tweets!



  
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## — Take It Outside —

The third Saturday in July was the annual loon count in Maine, coordinated by Maine Audubon. See: (<https://www.maineaudubon.org/projects/loons/>). Every year over 1000 volunteers, of which I am one, attempt to count all the loons on a couple hundred Maine lakes at the same time. It's organized like a military operation and I am the coordinator for the dozen or so volunteers on Long Pond. Early in the morning all counters head for their assigned section of the lake to be in position to count all the adult loons and loon chicks in their area between 7:00 AM and 7:30 AM. I left my dock around 6 AM, passing a loon with a chick silhouetted in the morning sun at the mouth of my cove. As recently as two days ago, we had two chicks in our cove but one disappeared, probably taken by the bald eagle that has been soaring over our cove lately. After picking up my assistant counter, Fred Knight, at the Village Inn docks, we searched our assigned sector, counting two adult nesting loons, and I dropped Fred off and headed back toward my dock. As I approached Tracy Cove, I saw a loon fly overhead and land in the cove and spotted Dick Greenan, with Jason and Sarah Toner in his boat, the assigned counters for that sector, headed towards Dick's dock. Suddenly a "Battle Royale" erupted and one of our resident loons began chasing the rogue loon invading their territory and threatening their chick. For the next ten to fifteen minutes, the two loons did a high-speed butterfly stroke that covered well over a mile of continuous



Loon with chick in the morning sun.



Sandhill crane defending territory.



Loon defending territory against invader.



Sandhills with young crane (Photo by F. Knight)

splashing and squawking before the invader slinked off, defeated. I was truly amazed at the amount of energy expended by the two birds.

Later that morning, I picked up Fred at his dock and we headed down to the 7-Lakes Alliance (7-LA) Fogg Island property on the Mount Vernon side of lower Long Pond for the official opening of the new trail and boardwalk. Fred and I were planning to land at the "water" end of the trail just south of Ingham Stream to assist anyone coming by canoe or kayak, while 7-LA Stewardship Director, Amy Soper, was leading a group of hikers from the parking lot off Spring Hill Road. When we came ashore at the small beach between two overhanging

cedar trees, there was a sudden eruption raucous squawking that sounded like a Canada goose trying to swallow a bunch of bullfrogs. It turned out that a pair of Sandhill cranes with a youngster had taken up residence right next to our landing area and didn't approve of our presence. After a few minutes of squawking and flying at us to get us to move, the cranes finally flew about 100 yards up the shoreline toward Ingham Stream. Fred and I then hiked south along the trail, eventually meeting up with Amy hiking south with Liz Tong and John Brower. We all hiked back to the island, stopping to admire a

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And yet there's more: An eight-room contemporary cottage with three bedrooms and two full bathrooms, and measuring 2,600 square feet on three levels of living.



*Photos by Remy Henry, hoangrealty.com*

The 2007 home is sided with pretty, curving clapboards, and its interior is beautifully, aromatically pine-paneled throughout (the finished lower level excepted, but ceilings included). There's a wraparound porch off the main level, and a side-to-side balcony upstairs – both water-facing, and looking west, the better to enjoy glorious sunsets.

The kitchen gleams with stainless appliances and cherry cabinetry, and the master suite is on the open-concept first floor, making single-level living an option.

Please note that the cottage is prime for conversion into year-round living. The acreage is in tree growth (a significant tax advantage) but could be developed. Incremental development would be the most economical way to proceed.

The cottage at 10 Gables End, Belgrade is listed at \$699,000 by Pam Armour of Hoang Realty in Augusta. Please contact Pam at 207-623-0623; 207-314-7445, or [pbrunye@yahoo.com](mailto:pbrunye@yahoo.com); and visit [www.hoangrealty.com](http://www.hoangrealty.com).



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- **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](http://www.childrensdiscoverymuseum.org), 171 Capitol Street
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- **Governor's Mansion**, 1830 Blaine House, Tuesday-Thursday 2-4 pm, 287-2121, [www.blainehouse.org](http://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](http://www.hhrc.uma.edu), University of Maine at Augusta, off Route 27
- **Kennebec Historical Society**, Tuesday-Friday 9 am-3 pm, 622-7718, [www.kennebechistorical.org](http://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.maine.statemuseum.org](http://www.maine.statemuseum.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](http://www.maine.gov), State Street
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- **Farmers' Market at Mill Park**, Tuesday 2-6 pm, 626-2305, [www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/](http://www.farmersmarketmillpark.org/), North Water Street
- **Farmers' Market at Turnpike Mall**, 549-5112, Wednesday and Saturday 10 am-1 pm, Western Avenue

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- **Belgrade Historical Society**, 495-2973, [belgradehistoricalsociety.org](http://belgradehistoricalsociety.org)
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- **Belgrade Lakes Market**, Sun 8 am-1 pm, Main Street
- **Peninsula Park on Long Pond**, picnic tables, Main Street
- **7 Lakes Alliance's MLRC**, 207-495-6039, [info@7lakesalliance.org](mailto:info@7lakesalliance.org), 137 Main Street

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- **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, Friday 10 am-2 pm, June-September, [www.farmingtonhistory.org](http://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](http://www.lilliannordica.com), 116 Nordica Lane, Holley Road
- **Contra Dance**, 491-9928, [www.starleft.org](http://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
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- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, 623-8162, [www.krrt.org](http://www.krrt.org), access near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta

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- **Gaslight Theater**, 626-3698, [www.gaslighttheater.org](http://www.gaslighttheater.org) City Hall, 1 Winthrop Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, history/walking tour, [www.historichallowell.org](http://www.historichallowell.org), downtown
- **Farmers' Market**, 622-1350, Sat 9-1 pm, Steven's Commons on Winthrop St.
- **Vaughn Woods and Homestead**, 166 acre park/trails/homestead, Middle Street
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, [www.krrt.org](http://www.krrt.org), to Augusta, Farmingdale/Gardiner, Water Street
- **Waterfront Park**, deck/walkway on Kennebec River, North Water Street

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#### KINGFIELD

- **Ski Museum of Maine**, 265-2023, [www.skimusuemofmaine.org](http://www.skimusuemofmaine.org), 256 Main Street
- **Stanley Museum**, 265-2729, [www.stanleymuseum.org](http://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](http://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](http://www.lakewoodtheater.org), Route 201
- **Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture**, 474-9345, [www.skowheganart.org](http://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.monmouthmuseum-inc.org](http://www.monmouthmuseum-inc.org), 751 Main Street
- **The Theater At Monmouth**, The Shakespeare Theater of Maine, Cumston Hall, 933-9999, [www.theateratmonmouth.org](http://www.theateratmonmouth.org), Main Street

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- **Wire Bridge**, 1864, probably only wire suspension bridge in U.S., off Route 27

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, 778-4167, Routes 2/27

NORRIDGEWOCK

- **Norridgewock Historical Society Museum**, 1838 building, Saturday 10 am-1 pm, 634-5032, [www.norridgewockmuseum.com](http://www.norridgewockmuseum.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 school-house, 685-4662, [www.readfieldhistorical.org](http://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
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SIDNEY

- **New England Music Camp**, concerts free and open to the public, Bowl-in-the-Pines on Lake Messalonskee, 465-3025, [www.nemusiccamp.com](http://www.nemusiccamp.com), 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23
- **Sidney Historical Society**, 724-8032, [www.sidneyhistoricalociety.org](http://www.sidneyhistoricalociety.org), 2986 Middle Road
- **Silver Spur Riding Club**, horse shows, River Road, Route 104

SKOWHEGAN

- **Margaret Chase Smith Library**, residence, home, museum exhibits, 474-7133, [www.mcslibrary.org](http://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](http://www.skowheganhistoryhouse.org), 66 Elm Street
- **Fairgrounds**, weekly horse shows/competitions, free public

events, covered arena, Skowhegan State Fair in August, 474-3621, Madison Avenue, Route 201

- **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

UNITY

- **Unity College Centre for the Performing Arts**, folk genre music, 568-3147, [www.unitymaine.org](http://www.unitymaine.org), 42 Depot Street

WATERVILLE

- **Aqua City Actor's Theatre (ACAT)**, 873-7000, [www.acattheatre.org](http://www.acattheatre.org). Waterville Opera House Studio Theater, Main Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, downtown history / walking tour, [www.themuseuminthestreets.com/waterville.htm](http://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](http://www.commonstreetarts.org), Wednesday through Saturday noon to 5 pm, Thursday until 6 pm, 93 Main Street
- **Colby College Museum of Art**, 859-5600, [www.colby.edu/museum/](http://www.colby.edu/museum/) Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 12-5 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 and Redington Museum**, 1814 home and pharmacy, 872-9439, [www.redingtonmuseum.org](http://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](http://www.operahouse.com), 93 Main Street
- **Farmers' Market**, Thursday 2-6 pm, 680-2055, [www.watervillefarmersmarket.org](http://www.watervillefarmersmarket.org),

WAYNE

- **Farmers' Market**, 685-4657, <http://waynefarmersmarket.weebly.com>, Saturday 9 am-noon, Town Green, at the Mill Pond, Main Street

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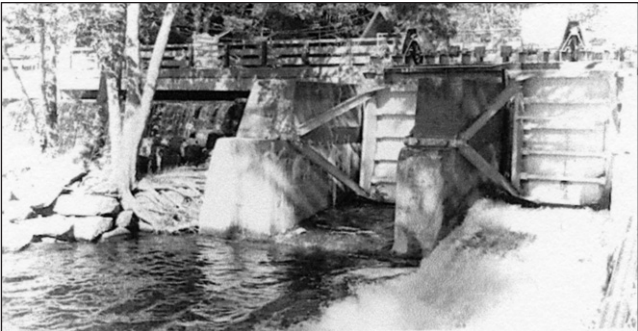
- **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, [www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org](http://www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org), Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

WINSLOW

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

WINTHROP

- **Norcross Park**, playground, picnic site, boat launch on Maranacook Lake
- **Farmers' Market**, 446-2899, Tuesday and Saturday 9 am-1 pm, town office parking lot, 17 Highland Avenue



The Dams Keeper Report

We all know that I love to share the forecast as it's shaping our pond levels, but I really enjoy sharing forecasts when they are projecting just beautiful weather. As of this writing, Weather Underground is forecasting a meager .15" of precipitation over the next 10 days, so it doesn't get much better than this!

Great Pond is just .24" above full pond with both gates still completely closed, essentially at full pond. Remember, last year at this time, Great Pond was down 6.12" by this time. Long Pond is now 1.2" below full with both gates still completely closed. Also, last year at this time, Long Pond was down a whopping 9.84", not only due to the drought but a leaking Wings Mill Dam that has since been temporarily repaired. Salmon/McGrath is down about 4" below full with its one gate still opened the mandated 1 turn or 1cfs. Overall, we're still holding our own and looking good.

Although we do still need some rain, we do appreciate the respite from the mosquitos.

Enjoy the family, your vacation and this beautiful weather!

Dick Greenan

Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee

Dear Dam Operators and Owners~

The attached link will bring you to the workshop announcement for the Security and Protection for Dams and Levees being offered by the Federal Department of Homeland Security on August 21-22, 2019 at the Cabela's Training Facility in Scarborough.

The Security and Protection for Dams and Levees Workshop is designed to provide dam owners and operators, emergency managers, and other relevant stakeholders with information on the fundamental aspects of security and protection for dams, levees, and related facilities. The workshop combines traditional lectures with multiple group discussions and activities to reinforce the concepts learned during the course. A list of resources accompanies the course materials to enable self-guided learning after the workshop.

<http://www.govevents.com/details/33225/security-and-protection-for-dams-and-levees-workshop-1260/#>

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## — Calendar —

**...Through Saturday 8/3** - Skowhegan River Fest, an annual celebration of recreation and life on the Kennebec, festivities, food, fireworks, golf classic, lobster bake, glow stick river run; craft fair, bed races, family games, raft rides, fireworks, see full schedule on page 19, 474-3621, the Kennebec River and historic downtown Skowhegan.

**...Thursday 8/1 through Sunday 8/4** - "Ben Hur," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

**...Friday 8/2 and Saturday 8/3** - Wilton Blueberry Festival, book sale, yard sales, arts and crafts, tours, BBQs, Blueberry Bazaar, juried art show, boat tours, entertainment, parade, events all day both days, Saturday no parking on Main Street, fireworks, downtown Wilton.

**...Friday 8/2** - 2019 Annual SACC Drivers and Duffers Golf Classic, 18-hole team scramble with 2 levels of class determined by collective handicaps, registration 7-7:45 am, shotgun start 8 am, 474-3621, Lakewood Golf Course, Route 201, Madison.

**...Friday 8/2** - Maine Highland Fiddlers, free admission, 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

**...Friday 8/2 and Saturday 8/3** - The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940, performed by the Vienna Woods Players, 7 pm Friday, 2 and 7 pm Saturday, \$10 at door only, 12 and under \$5, Vienna Union Hall, 5 Mountain Road, Vienna.

**...Friday 8/2** - Opening Reception "Women Respond!," a group art exhibition by over 40 Maine artists, and

"Formations," a group exhibition of ceramic artwork by 29 local artists, through September 7, 5-7 pm, 622-3813, The Harlow, 100 Water Street, Hallowell.

**...Friday 8/2** - Enter the Haggis, Toronto-based Indie Celtic Folk Rock Band, and Tricky Britches, a country, contra-dance bluegrass, rock string band from Maine, Waterville Rocks free summer concert, 5:30-8:30 pm, 509-3365, Castonguay Square, downtown Waterville.

**...Friday 8/2** - The Working Dead, free concert, 7:30 pm, 582-7144, Johnson Hall Summer Waterfront Concert Series, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

**...Friday 8/2** - "Hamlet," by William Shakespeare, 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**...Friday 8/2** - New England Music Camp Honor Camper Recital, 7:30 pm, 844-476-6976, Alumni Hall, 8 Goldenrod Lane, Sidney.

**...Saturday 8/3** - Rome Yacht Club Regatta, two classes: 1 sail and 2 or more sails, convene in front of Vines' Camp to receive race clues, bugle will blow promptly at 10 am, victory cookout and official ceremonies follow on Crooked Island, Commodore's Ball Friday 6 pm, 283-3642, regatta in northern most cove on Great Pond, Rome.

**...Saturday 8/3** - "The Pied Piper," Young Performers Camp, ages 9 and up, performance at 10 am, 474-7176, 76 Theatre Road, off Route 201, Madison.

**...Saturday 8/3** - "The Jungle Book," family play, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**...Saturday 8/3** - "Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs," Missoula Children's Theatre

Camp production starring local students, 873-7000, 2 pm, Waterville Opera House, Main Street, Waterville.

**...Saturday 8/3** - New England Music Camp Student Concert at "Bowl in the Pines," open to the public, free of charge, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, NEMC Camp, Route 23, Sidney.

**...Saturday 8/3** - Bean Hole Bean Supper, sponsored by the Belgrade Fire Department, delicious food - 3 kinds of beans, homemade pies, 5-7 pm, Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade.

**...Saturday 8/3** - Annual Belgrade Lakes Loon Calling Contest, sponsored by Castle Island Camps, sign-up 6:30 pm, contest 7 pm, LakePoint docks, Route 27, the bridge in Belgrade Lakes.

**...Saturday 8/3** - Evening Star Party, see the wonders of the night sky first hand with Northern Stars Planetarium and Southern Maine Astronomers, find out about the stars and planets and their impact on wildlife, weather permitting, 7-9 pm, 697-4977, Maine Wildlife Park, Gray.

**...Saturday 8/3** - "Intimate Apparel," 7:30 pm Saturday, 1 pm Sunday, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**...Sunday 8/4** - Belgrade Lakes Lakeside Artisan Show, handcrafted items including pottery, fiber, collectibles, jewelry, wood and more in every price range, 9 am-3 pm, 495-3481, Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

**...Sunday 8/4** - Mercer Old Home Days, 587-2911, off Route 2, Mercer.

**...Sunday 8/4** - Drawing for Belgrade

Lakes Association Raffle, 12 noon, 512-5150, Farmers' Market, Maine Lakes Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

**...Sunday 8/4** - Concert, 2-4 pm, Norcross Park, Lake Maranacook, Winthrop.

**...Sunday 8/4** - "Hamlet" by William Shakespeare, 1 pm; "Intimate Apparel," 7 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**...Sunday 8/4** - New England Music Camp Concert at "Bowl in the Pines," rain or shine, free to the public, everyone welcome, 3 pm, 844-476-6976, NEMC Camp, Route 23, Sidney.

**...Sunday 8/4** - Borderline Express, Coburn Park Concert Series, 5 pm, free, refreshments for sale on premises, 474-6894, Philbrick Gazebo, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

**...Tuesday 8/6** - "The Jungle Book," 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

**...Tuesday 8/6** - Photography Walk on Surrey Hill with Kennebec Land Trust staff and local photographer, Phil Downes, for photography enthusiasts to capture the natural beauty of the land, all are welcome, bring your camera, 377-2848, 5:30 pm, meet at bus turnaround at south end of Tom Surrey Road, Fayette.

**...Tuesday 8/6** - Quarry Road Summer Race Series, 5K 6 pm, Kids Fun Run 5:30 pm, www.quarryroadraces.com, off North Avenue, Waterville.

**...Tuesday 8/6** - Smoked Salmon, Rock on the River free concert, 7 pm, Hallowell Bandstand, Granite City Park, 94 Water Street, Hallowell.

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...Tuesday 8/6 - "Dumbo," free outdoor movie, 7:30 pm, 474-3621, Coburn Park, Water Street, Skowhegan.

...Tuesday 8/6 - "Intimate Apparel," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...Wednesday 8/7 and Thursday 8/8 - Teacher Summer Seminar, Slavery in Maine, 776-5405, Michael Klahr Center, The Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine, University of Maine, Augusta.

...Wednesday 8/7 - The Taste of Greater Waterville, sponsored by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, 11 am-11 pm, a true foodie experience, includes Children's Events, Beer and Wine Gardens, food trucks, restaurants and local agencies in the Concourse and on Main Street, vendor booths, 873-3315, downtown Waterville.

...Wednesday 8/7 - DJ Matt James, free concert, 6 pm-sunset, Waterfront Park, Augusta.

...Wednesday 8/7 - "Intimate Apparel" 1 pm; "Baskerville: A Sherlock's Holmes Mystery," 7:30 pm, 933-9999, The Theater at Monmouth.

...Wednesday 8/7 through Saturday 8/10 - "Ben Hur," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...Wednesday 8/7 through Saturday 8/17 - Skowhegan State Fair, midway, harness racing, exhibits, livestock, 4-H display, nightly entertainment, food, fun, more, www.skowheganstatefair.com, Fairgrounds, Route 201, Madison Avenue, Skowhegan.

...Wednesday 8/7 - Gerry Boyle, popular Maine author, discussing Random Act and Port City, 6 p m, 495-3508, Belgrade Public Library, Depot Road, Belgrade Depot.

...Wednesday 8/7 - Musical Theater Showcases, New England Music Camp, 7:30 pm, 465-3025, Alumni Hall, Route 23, Pond Road, Sidney.

...Thursday 8/8 - Friends and Neighbors Lunch, all welcome, 11 am, 495-3599, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

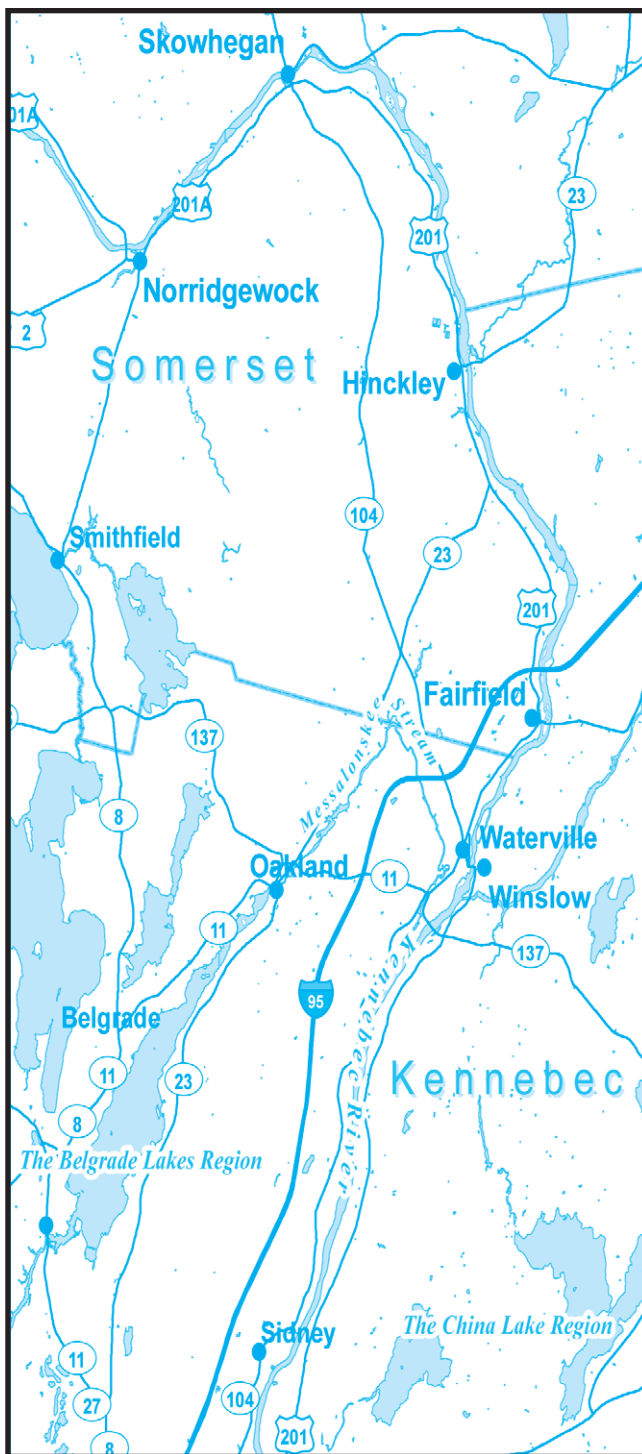
...Thursday 8/8 - 5th Annual Stuff the Bus Event, hosted by United Way of Mid-Maine, school supply drive to benefit students in area schools who are in need of materials - backpacks, notebooks, folders and more, 11 am-4 pm, Walmart, Waterville, Skowhegan, Palmyra.

...Thursday 8/8 - "Murder For Two," 1 pm; "Hamlet" by William Shakespeare 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth.

...Thursday 8/8 - Classic Car Cruise In, classic cars and music, 3-7 pm, Waterfront Park Gardiner.

...Thursday 8/8 - Paper Airplanes, family-friendly crafts at Art in the Park and free festivities, a program of Common Street Arts, 4-6 pm, RiverWalk at Head of Falls, downtown Waterville.

## Kennebec Corridor



...Thursday 8/8 - A Summer Garden Party to Celebrate Theater at Monmouth's 50th Anniversary, 5 pm heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, cocktails, 6 pm entertainment from TAM's 2019 Summer Company, RSVP by August 5 933-9999, \$75, all proceeds benefit TAM's Artistic & Education Programs, 480 Point Drive, Echo Lake, Mount Vernon.

...Thursday 8/8 - Blues Prophets, summer music series, free, in the gazebo, 6-8 pm, Waterfront Park, public boat landing, Oakland.

...Thursday 8/8 - "What's Going On at the Border?" Steve and Molly Saunders talk about their three weeks volunteering recently in El Paso, Texas, 6:30 pm, 685-3612, Cary Memorial Library, 17 Old Winthrop Road, off Route 133, Wayne.

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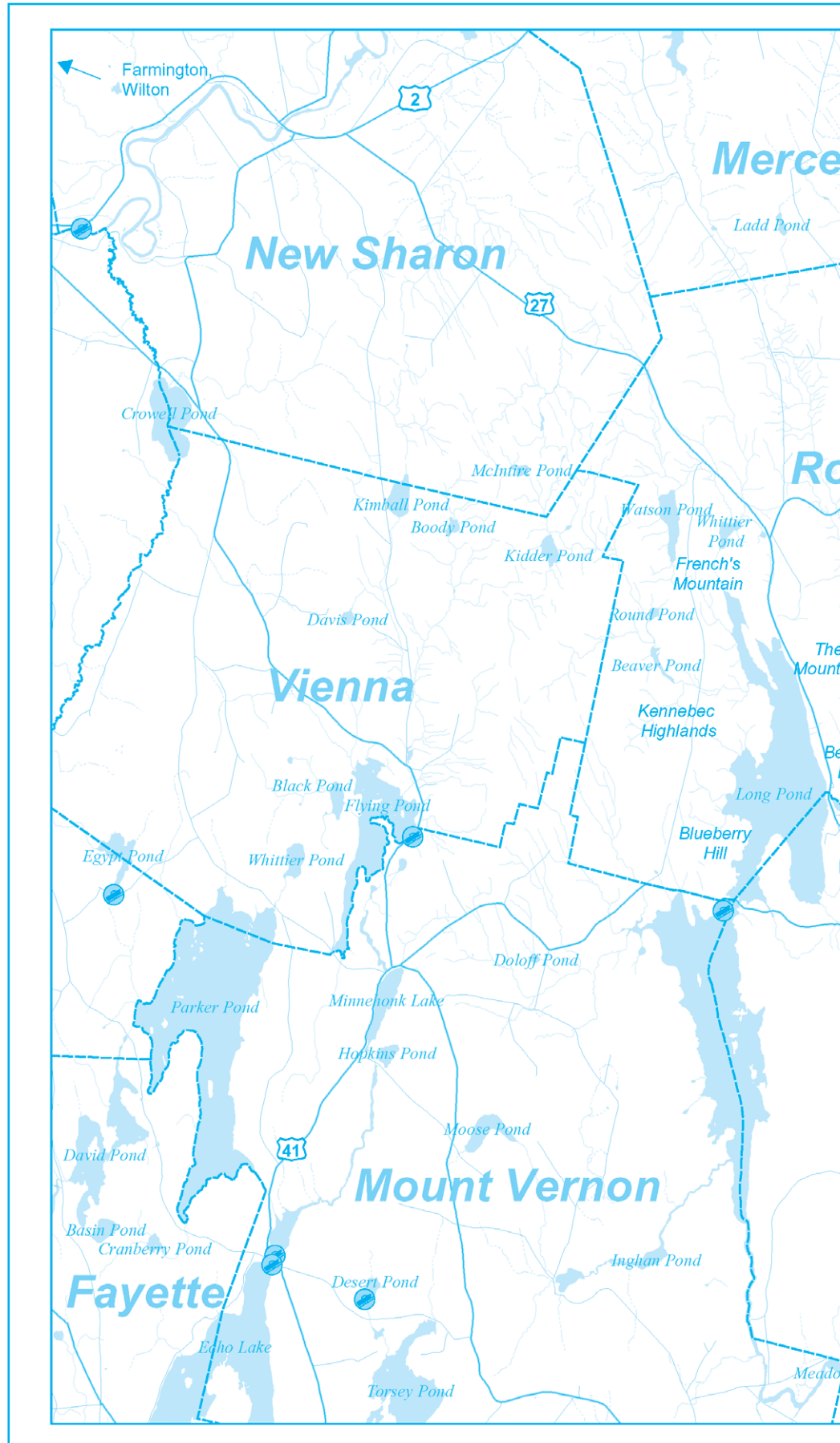
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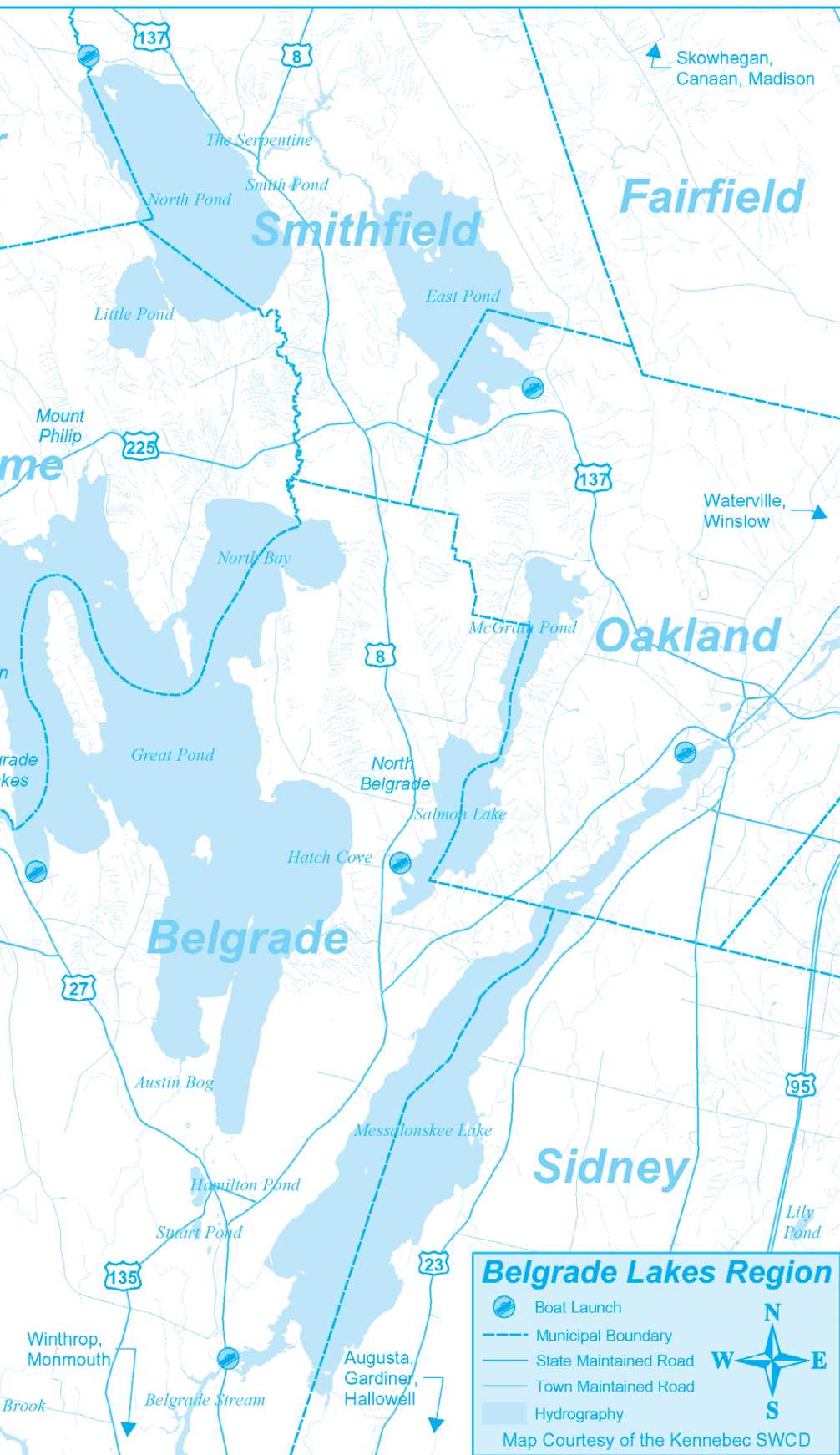
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## — Upcoming —

### AUGUST

- Readfield Historical Society to hold two special events August 9th - "Wine and Cheese" at the museum 5-7 pm and August 10th - A history walk "Readfield Corner before 1827" at 10am-2 pm. 441-9184
- The Capital Y Tri, Kennebec Valley YMCA Sprint Triathlon (13 and older) will be held on Saturday, August 10 at 8 am at the YMCA, Augusta. 622-9622
- The Union Coffeehouse will be held on Saturday, August 10, with the music of Mark Mandeville and Raianne Richards, \$5 donation, 7 pm, Union Church, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.
- On Monday, August 12, the 7th Annual Celebrity Chef Challenge at the Cohen Center will take place at 5 pm. \$75 per person. [spectrumgenerations.org/chef](http://spectrumgenerations.org/chef)
- On Wednesday, August 14 at 7 pm, "The Arctic and the Antarctic: A Visual Journey," will be presented at Wayne's Cary Library. 685-3612
- The Gaslight Theater in Hallowell in collaboration with the Augusta Downtown Alliance will present a weekend of Shakespeare in the Park with "A Midsummer Night's

Dream," August 15-17. 626-3698

- The Annual Winthrop Sidewalk Art Festival, showcase for artists, local music, food, sales and nearby recreation, is scheduled for Saturday, August 17, 10 am-3 pm along Main Street, downtown Winthrop. 377-8020
- In Rome, the Mt. Philip Grange will hold its monthly bean supper on Saturday, August 17, starting at 4:30 pm. Proceeds will purchase school supplies for Messalonskee Middle School.
- The Friends of the Belgrade Public Library are sponsoring a Live and Silent Auction on Sunday, August 18 at the Belgrade Community Center for All Seasons at 7 pm. There will be food and beverages, Rick Ray will be playing music and Steve Smith will be the auctioneer. 495-2101
- On Thursday, August 22 at 7 pm, "Inventing Vacationland, How Maine became a number one Tourist Destination," will be presented by Scott Andrew of the University of Southern Maine Senior College, hosted by the Belgrade Historical Societys at the Maine Lakes Resource Center.
- On Friday, August 23, the Outdoor Film Festival will return to Belgrade Lakes to the Center for All Seasons. Admission \$5. Children under 12 free.

• The 53rd Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival will be August 22-25 at the Litchfield Fairgrounds with 12 great bands, camping, extra large audience tent area, children 16 and under free with adult. 873-6539

• The Kennebec Land Trust's 6th Annual Tri-Sport Challenge in Wayne will take place on Sunday, August 25 at Camp Androscoggin on Androscoggin Lake. All are welcome to participate; individuals (\$30) and teams (\$60) will swim, paddle and run. 377-2848

• Man in Black, a tribute to Johnny Cash, will be performed on Sunday, August 25 at 4 pm at Bowl in the Pines, Snow Pond Center for the Arts. 844-476-6976

• The Annual Skowhegan Craft Brew Festival will be held on Saturday, August 31 in downtown Skowhegan, VIP 1:30-3 pm, general session 3-7 pm. No one under 21; no dogs. [SkowheganCraftBrewFest.com](http://SkowheganCraftBrewFest.com)

### SEPTEMBER

- On Monday, September 2, Run for the Horses 5K to benefit Double B Equine Rescue will be held at 10 am, Hight Chrysler Dodge, 507 Lakewood Rd., Madison
- The Stranger, A Tribute to Billy Joel, will be presented on September 5 at 7:30 pm at Bowl in the Pines, Snow Pond Center for the Arts. 1-844-476-6976



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**July 23 – August 31:** Washburn-Norlands Living History Center in Livermore is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays from 11am-4pm for living history tours. Experience rural Maine life in the 1800s and the legacy of the Washburn family. Tour the 1867 Washburn home, farmer's cottage, one-room schoolhouse, library and meeting house. Norlands is located at 290 Norlands Road, Livermore, ME. FMI: [www.NORLANDS.org](http://www.NORLANDS.org) or 207-897-4366.

**Thursday, July 25:** Making Cheese and Butter at Norlands Living History Center, Livermore. Ongoing from 11am-4pm as part of summer living history tours. Learn about the process and perhaps lend a hand. Witness what life was like as like for farm families in the 1800s. 290 Norlands Road, Livermore, ME. FMI: [www.NORLANDS.org](http://www.NORLANDS.org) or 207-897-4366.

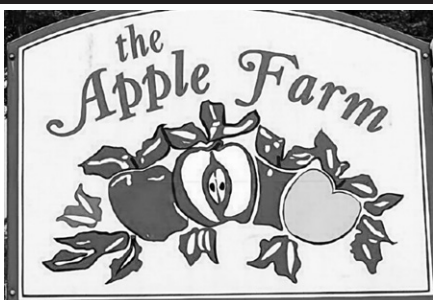
**Thursday, August 1:** Children's Day at Norlands Living History Center, Livermore. 11am-4pm. Featuring 19th-century games, stories, spelling bees, and a craft activity for children as a part of summer living history tours. 290 Norlands Road, Livermore, ME. FMI: [www.NORLANDS.org](http://www.NORLANDS.org) or 207-897-4366.

**Thursday, August 8, 12:30pm.** A special presentation at Norlands Living History Center on Livermore Soldiers and Washburn Family members in the Civil War. Israel Washburn, Jr. was known as "Maine's Little Giant of the Civil War." He and his brothers held positions that influenced the War, and several of their Livermore neighbors served and lost their lives. Original letters, diary entries and military records will be shared that reflect how the War affected life in Livermore. 290 Norlands Road, Livermore, ME.

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**Thursday, August 22, Noon:** Health, Sanitation and Deadly Diseases in the 1800s. A lively presentation in character on the home remedies, customs and beliefs related to 19th-century health care. Presented by Willi Irish, Norlands' Director of Interpretation and Training. 290 Norlands Road, Livermore, ME. FMI: [www.NORLANDS.org](http://www.NORLANDS.org) or 207-897-4366.



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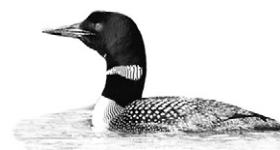
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## – Conservation Too –

## Stormwater Runoff – What to Do With It

By Dale Finseth

It is a reoccurring topic – Stormwater and Stormwater Runoff

We've discussed stormwater runoff before. "Stormwater" is just that – the rainfall or melting snow that then runs across the landscape in liquid form. Given the time of year, we are most focused on the stormwater generated by rain and hail storms. While we had a good deal of rain this spring, the past few weeks have not seen much rainfall. So..., here are some of the areas to pay attention to: The ditch next to your driveway will have a lot of water in it during and soon after a rainstorm. The culvert beneath your driveway may run full. That stormwater flow is just nature doing what nature does. Water runs downhill and sometimes, during or after a large rainstorm, nature can generate a rather large runoff. We need to prepare for those cases. There are some things you can do to help!

Pay attention about where the water flows during a rainstorm. Where does it travel once it falls from the sky? Where does it flow off of the roadway and parking areas? Where does it flow off of your roof or deck area? Do you have other impervious areas that channel and concentrate the water like pathways or storage areas

One inch of rain on a single square foot of pavement, sidewalk or roof = 0.6234 gallons of

water.

During a large rainstorm where we may get 4-6 inches of rainfall and you have a 500 square foot paved parking area, you would have about 1560 gallons of water running off of your parking area. That is about twenty-five 55-gallon drums of water with no place to go but the discharge area of your parking lot. Those impervious areas channel to the lowest point and cascaded into the lake from a concentrated runoff area. An impervious surface doesn't soak up the rain but carries it off to another location. For every inch of rain that falls on those surfaces, your property needs to deal with tens of thousands of gallons of water. Depending upon how your structures are designed, that concentration of water can do a lot of damage. Now consider your property. How much impervious surface do you have? And how is the runoff managed?

What can a property owner do to mitigate the damage? Direct stormwater into vegetated areas or rain gardens. Install filtration steps in any area where the pathway may get steep. The water from parking areas can be sheeted off the edges and into areas that do not erode the soils.

Take the opportunity now to use some of those BMP's [Best Management Practices]. You need to manage your yard and property to protect it and



This is what poorly managed "stormwater" can do.

water quality. Control the water runoff. Look for places that have been damaged in past storms. It will happen again unless you do something.

And don't forget a good buffer planting, if well established, does a good job of intercepting water runoff and filtering it before it gets to the lake. The objective is to filter it, so it doesn't concentrate and transport soil, chemicals, or other toxics into the water.

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

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## LakeSmart Tip: Don't Hesitate, Vegetate!

by Sabine Fontaine



This tip is all about how to vegetate. And no, I don't mean vegetate as in being passive, inactive, and dull. I mean vegetate as in to grow or sprout or plant! Plants save the lake by catching rainwater runoff and filtering chemicals out of it. Vegetation also covers soil with its leaves, and holds soil with its roots. The vegetation along your shoreline is called a buffer. The larger it is, the more it protects the lake. Please note that grass is not a proper buffer! In fact, I've often heard that grass is as good as a dirt hill. It does not protect the lake compared to other ground covers, shrubs, or trees.

On the shore we name five tiers of vegetation: mulch, ground cover, shrubs, midstory trees and canopy trees. For example, a 5-tier buffer garden might have a layer of pine needles or some undyed mulch; some creeping juniper, lowbush blueberry, hostas, ferns or daylilies as ground cover; some larger shrubs such as highbush blueberry, dogwood, summersweet or chokebush; and finally trees such as pussy willow or common witchhazel and oak or maple. These plants are hardy and they are widely available at local nurseries in central Maine. If you want more information or have any questions about your own buffer, sign up for a free, no obligation LakeSmart visit by contacting Sabine at [lakesmart@blmaine.org](mailto:lakesmart@blmaine.org) | 207-512-5150

Left: Here is a buffer with 5 tiers of vegetation: pine needle mulch, ground cover, shrubs, midstory, and canopy. Current LakeSmart standards require awardees to have at least 3 out of the 5 tiers. Courtesy of Maine Lakes Society LakeSmart



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## — Notebook —

### Maine's Bicentennial Celebration Kick Off

• Kickoff Day for Maine's bicentennial celebration is this weekend and includes events in Presque, Bangor, Portland and Augusta. At each event, the Bicentennial flag will be raised, tricentennial pine groves will be dedicated, and programs and events for Maine's 200th Anniversary of Statehood will be announced. Bicentennial celebrations will continue into 2020. [www.Maine200.org](http://www.Maine200.org)

### Real ID Licenses and IDs

• Air travel ID requirements are changing in October 2020 when the federal Real ID Act takes effect and standard driver's licenses will no longer be an accepted form of identification by the Transportation Security Administration. Real ID-compliant driver's licenses will be available at Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) offices where applicants must have their photograph taken and provide documents proving identity and residence. Those who choose to opt out will need to produce a passport or other acceptable ID for air travel. [maine.gov/realid](http://maine.gov/realid)

### Belgrade

• Dr. Amy Madden has been named the new Clinical Medical Director for the HealthReach Community Health Centers - a group of 11 Federally Qualified Health Centers in Central and Western Maine, in addition to her role at Belgrade Regional Health Center where she has been a physician since 2007. In 2017 she completed a fellowship in geriatrics at Maine Dartmouth Family Practice in Augusta. She also serves as Chair of the Victim's Compensation Board, Co-Chair of the MaineGeneral Opiate Steering Committee and President-Elect of the Maine Medical Association.

### Waterville

• The 28th Annual Maine Open Juried Art Show - MOJAS - opens at Common Street Arts, 10 Water Street, on August 12 through September 7, 2019. The opening reception will be on Thursday, August 15, 5-7 pm. at the Stearns Gallery at Common Street Arts. MOJAS has received over 100 submissions representing a broad geographic range throughout Maine, 71 towns and cities, and 15 counties. The Stearns Gallery at Common Street Arts is open Monday through Friday, 9 am-5 pm and Saturday 12-5 pm.

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## Readfield Historical Society to Hold Special Events August 9th and 10th

As a kick-off to Readfield Heritage Days the Readfield Historical Society (RHS) will hold A "Wine & Cheese" at their museum, 759 Main St. on Friday, August 9th, 5-7 p.m. The event is for RHS members, both existing and those who join that evening, to enjoy camaraderie with others who have similar interests. An assortment of cheeses, sausages, crackers, pickles and cookies are served as well as wine and non-alcoholic beverages. At 6:00pm a dedication of their new "Military Room" will be held in honor of Bill & Flo Drake. Mrs. Drake was RHS president for thirteen years with her husband at her side. Among the accomplishments during her tenure a two-story wing was added to the building, including the space where the recently finished Military Room is now housed.

A History Walk titled "Readfield Corner before 1827" will be co-led by Dale Potter-Clark and Bill Adams on Saturday, August 10th 10 a.m. - 12 noon. The tour will begin inside the Union Meeting House (UMH), 22 Church Road to learn about the historic building. Then Potter-Clark and Adams will begin transporting participants back in time. From UMH all will proceed on a walking tour of Readfield Corner when the two historians will point out and share about some of the people, buildings and businesses that existed there prior to 1827. Surprises are in store as people learn how much - or little - existed there in that era. Information they have recently unearthed will also be shared. The tour will culminate at noon at the Old Fairgrounds, where food concessions will be set up for Heritage Days.

The RHS building at 759 Main Street will be open 10am-2pm Saturday, August 10th when Bob Harris, RHS president will be on duty. Visitors are invited to tour the museum and to view a rotating slide show of vintage photos of Readfield Corner. Potter-Clark and Adams will be at RHS from 1-2pm to answer questions per-



On Saturday, August 10th Dale Potter-Clark and Bill Adams from the Readfield Historical Society will conduct a walking tour to focus on Readfield Corner before 1827.

Participants should meet by 10am inside the Union Meeting House, 22 Church Road

taining to the slide show and the morning History Walk. Potter-Clark will also sign books she has authored that are available in the RHS gift shop.

Readfield Historical Society was founded in 1985 in order to preserve the rich history of Readfield and its people. It is a non-profit 501 C3 organization. FMI contact (207) 377-2299 or [readfieldhistorical@gmail.com](mailto:readfieldhistorical@gmail.com).

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**Belgrade Boat Storage**, 31 Pinkham's Cove Road, Belgrade, 495-3421, 314-3287, [www.belgradeboatstorage.com](http://www.belgradeboatstorage.com)

**Belgrade Lakes Marine and Storage, Inc**, 366 Augusta Road, Belgrade, 495-2378, [www.belgradelakesmarine.com](http://www.belgradelakesmarine.com)

**Great Pond Marina**, 25 Marina Drive, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes, 495-2213, [www.greatpondmarina.com](http://www.greatpondmarina.com)

**Mid-Maine Marine**, 885 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Oakland, 465-2146, [www.midmainemarine.com](http://www.midmainemarine.com)

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**G&L Contracting**, 116 Lakeshore Drive, Belgrade Lakes, 215-7951, 495-2325, 233-7408, [gandlcontractingmaine.com](http://gandlcontractingmaine.com)

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**Winterberry Farm**, 538 Augusta Road, Route 27, Belgrade, 495-2593, 649-3331, [www.winterberryfarmstand.com](http://www.winterberryfarmstand.com)

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**Golden Pond Wealth Management**, 129 Silver Street, Waterville, 873-2200, [www.goldenpondwealth.com](http://www.goldenpondwealth.com)

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Amy Soper, John Brower, me, and Liz Tonge admiring Rattlesnake Plantain (photo by F. Knight). Downy Rattlesnake Plantain orchid at right.



few stands of Downy Rattlesnake Plantain orchids along the trail. Back at the island, we had a trail lunch, picked a few highbush blueberries and then headed out, Fred and I in the boat and the rest overland. For info on how to access this new bike/hike/ski trail, contact Amy Soper at the MLRC.

This area offers some great outdoor recreation, whether you like to hike, bike, birdwatch, fish, sail, or paddle a canoe or kayak. Pick up a map of the local trails at Day's Store or from the 7 Lakes Alliance at the Maine Lakes Resource

Center (MLRC). Also, please check the 7-LA FaceBook page for details on some interesting events scheduled this summer (<https://www.facebook.com/7lakesalliance/>). There will be many other interesting events through the summer, a special presentation by the Maine State Museum at 7 PM on August 8th entitled "Maine in 112 Objects." And don't forget the annual Beanhole Supper and Loon Calling Contest on August 3th. Check the web site and keep an eye on the sign out front. And make sure you take a kid along on your next outdoor adventure. 

Belgrade Lakes, 495-3111, [www.daysrealestate.com](http://www.daysrealestate.com)

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# David McCullough Histories and Maine Connections

*by Martha F. Barkley*

*David McCullough and his wife Rosalie spend summers in Camden to be close to their daughter and grandchildren who live there year round. He used to love sailing, but now David's sons and sons-in-law captain the sailboat while he continues to enjoy outings at 84. He told Brian Lamb on Q&A recently that he loves writing every morning: why stop what you love doing?*

How I loved finding *The Pioneers*, McCullough's newest history, at our Belgrade Library last week. One of the best pages I found was a complete showing of all the covers. Usually, for some unknown reason, *Brave Companions* has not been included. This time it is in there in all its beauty like the other artfully done covers.

Big, ancient trees, ship building and fishing are a common theme in The Pioneers that constantly made me think of Maine. An 80 pound catfish from the Ohio River and a 100 pound fish, forget what specie, were caught during the first settlement of Marietta, named after Queen Antoinette of France. Our fishing and our French population in Maine are similar to the Northwest Ordinance territory, somewhat larger than France: Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin.

*The Pioneers* were constantly clearing old growth trees and many were used for ship building at Marietta. Bath Iron Works is still going strong here with a wonderful ship building museum to explore. An easy day trip from Belgrade.

It fascinated me to read McCullough's words about Harriet Beecher Stowe who left that area of the country to come with her husband to Bowdoin College and write Uncle Tom's Cabin. "In the early spring of 1850, a shabby woman no more than five feet tall boarded a steamer at Cincinnati, where she had been living for seventeen years, and departed upstream on the Ohio. She was happily heading 'home' to New England, to Brunswick, Maine, where her husband had recently joined the faculty

of Bowdoin College..."

McCullough continues to write about Stowe's world famous novel Uncle Tom's Cabin quoting from his earlier book *Brave Companions*. I loved *Brave Companions* because it had short chapters about so many interesting topics, such as Alexander Humboldt the German explorer map maker/scientist and Abe Lincoln's horseback riding route from the White House to the summer cottage at the Old Soldiers Home, etc.

New England villages were established all over Ohio and the Northwest Ordinance states. Public schools for every child were promoted for the first time and the university system in each state came into being.

Slavery was not allowed and that was a big demarcation from the first thirteen states which all had slavery. Maine broke from Massachusetts at a time when slave and free states needed balancing in Washington, DC.

Aaron Burr, after his notoriety of killing Hamilton, arrived in Marietta to promote secession of the west from the east. Not north and south, but east and west! He found money and alliances with a German couple who built their magnificent mansion on Blennerhassett Island, just across the Ohio River from Marietta. The Blennerhassett family had a slave to ferry them back and forth to Marietta.

John Adams' son, John Quincy Adams, visited Marietta and Revolutionary soldiers found common ground with Lafayette's great tour 50 years after our country was established. Many veterans were offered land in the Northwest Ordinance territory as payment for their service.

*The Greater Journey* by McCullough introduced me to Elihu Washburne and all those Remarkable Americans from Livermore, Maine. The Portland Museum of Art has many Maine artists who trained in Paris and also Italy.

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**VIENNA**-Maine Cottage on pristine Flying Pond in Vienna. Very charming and wonderful water frontage. Main level offers an open kitchen/LR/DR w/oak cabinets, cozy woodstove, hardwood floors. Total of 3BR and 2BA. Lower level FR for extra guests. Screened porch, lower level deck. Separate oversize 2 car garage with lots of storage on the second floor and electric doors. Double lot. There is heat in case you want to use it in the winter too. **MLS #1423119 \$354,500**

**LITCHFIELD**-Custom built 3-4 BR, 3 BA ranch is truly a one of a kind! Open kitchen/dining/LR w/cathedral ceiling. Kitchen w/beautiful cherry cabinetry, tile backsplash, granite counters, an island, a pantry. LR w/gas fireplace, deck overlooks the private backyard! Spacious master suite w/full BA, large walk-in closet. 1st fl laundry room. Finished basement w/large FR, kitchen, office/BA and BA could easily be used as an in-law apartment or guest quarters. 2 car attached garage/mudroom, additional detached 30x40 ft. 4+ car insulated garage with 10x12 ft. garage doors, storage above. 2.3 acre lot. **MLS #1425742 \$345,000**

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Wednesday, July 31

- 11 am and 5 pm - Chicken Barbecue
- 4:30 pm - Classic Car Cruise-In
- 5:30 pm - Skowhegan Community Band Concert
- 6 pm - Kids' Bike Night, Coburn Woods parking area

Thursday, August 1

- 5:30-10 pm - Moonlight Madness: downtown
- 7 pm - Bed Races
- 7 pm - River-Themed Trivia, Bloomfield Tavern

Friday, August 2

- 11 am-8 pm - Lobster Bake
- 1 pm - Golf Classic, Lakewood Golf Course
- 8:30 pm - Glow Stick River Run

Saturday, August 3

- 9 am-1 pm - Farmers' Market
- 9 am-2 pm - Craft Fair



- 9 am-3 pm - Family Fun Day Activities
- 10:30 am-1:30 pm - Raft Rides
- 10 am-1 pm - Move More Kids Activities
- 12-2 pm - Family Fun at Island Dairy Treat
- 12-1 pm - Family Story Walk
- 9 pm - Fireworks

Sunday, August 4

- 5 pm - Concert in the Park, Borderline Express

Many of the events will take place at the Big Top tent or in the parking lot at the Chamber of Commerce. During Moonlight Madness, Water Street will be closed to vehicular traffic. For more details visit SkowheganRiverFest.com or call 474-3621.

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- July 29<sup>th</sup> - August 2<sup>nd</sup> Naturalists Camp
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