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## The Last Splash of Summer

by Esther J. Perne

**G**o ahead: jump in the water, stop at a site that's open seasonally, order grapenut or coffee ice cream or something else mostly Maine-y, attend an end of summer outdoor movie or concert or crafts class and spend time - lots of time - outdoors.

When summer counts down, it's the signal to ramp up, catch up with what hasn't ended, what's ahead.

What hasn't ended is central Maine's awesome free outdoor concert schedule, the last curtain calls of summer theater, the berries still ripening on the bushes, the agricultural fairs featuring prizes and produce.

What hasn't ended is lake water still warm enough for wonderful outdoor swimming, ice cream stands and shops and seasonal eateries and parks with picnic tables outdoors and the Great Pond mail delivery.

What hasn't ended is the awesome call of the loon, the sun setting still slightly south, back-to-school shopping and sneaky stabs from mosquitos.

As daylight diminishes there's still time for summer rituals and traditions, time for the last



Cover photo taken by fishing guide Don Lewis of his client, Scott Robinson, a long-time guest at Taconnet on Great Pond, who has hoped for years to catch the big fish and did this summer: a 40" Northern Pike!



Photo by Dick Greenan

paddle, the last swim, the last hike and the last fingers-crossed, wish-on-a-star attempt to catch that big fish.

As the calendar of summer events makes way for fall, excuses are useless. No money? Free concerts, art shows, yards sales, 'just looking' in shops and stores, cruise-ins, strolls along rivers and walks in the woods and among historic buildings in the region's downtowns are priceless.

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Too far? (Ah, come on.) Downtown Belgrade Lakes to downtown Augusta, Waterville and Farmington and vice versa clocks in at roughly 17 miles; Winthrop a bit less, Skowhegan a bit more - all routes lead past scenic surroundings, access to waterways and walking paths and hiking trails with activities and ice cream stops to be enjoyed along the way.

No time? Really? Daylit evenings and light early mornings remain and starlight nights continue. A holiday is coming up and a weekend day - can't it be shaken loose from work and travel and sports schedules?

No interest; no energy; no one to be with? Oh? This is the mellow time of the season, the thoughtful time, the time to include children and grandchildren and older relatives, the time for the last look back and great plans ahead..

What's ahead?

Move ahead. Go to school. Join a class, a course, a campus, a degree program nearby.

Explore ahead. Do something beyond the Belgrades - a day at a coastal beach, the mountains, a Maine town or a rural area unfamiliar.

Dig in for times ahead. Do something fallish. Wear wool, sit by a fire, take a rainy day walk, admire the colors that will be creeping in. Imagine next summer and all the great outdoor recreation and....

Can't wait? Plan ahead, plan a fall or winter visit.

But first, take the plunge. Go for that last splash of summer.



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## Maine Farm Days – Wednesday and Thursday; August 21st & 22nd From 9 to 4 Each Day



The cows at the Misty Meadow Farm produce 10 gallons of milk each day! With about 700 “milkers”, that is a lot of milk! That could be used to produce over 3,000 lbs. of cheese daily. See where the cheese for your pizza, and the ice cream, and the yogurt, and many other dairy products come from.

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It is approximately a thousand acre operation that milks over 700 cows, producing approximately 2 million gallons of milk annually. Come and visit all aspects of a working dairy farm in central Maine. Take advantage of the Stoughton family’s willingness to open up their entire farming operation to the public.

Just follow the signs. Come and join us on the farm. Maine Farm Days. The Misty Meadows Farm is on Hill Road in Clinton, Maine. Check out the website for details at [www.MaineFarmDays.com](http://www.MaineFarmDays.com) or check us on FaceBook.

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## —The Luckiest Boy—

When you see a little log cabin nestled in a woodsy setting, smoke slowly rising from the fieldstone chimney, surrounding trees covered with a fresh blanket of snow, what visions enter your mind?

For some who perhaps have no interest in living like their ancestors from a century ago, the log cabin may simply be just that, a little rustic cabin with minimalistic furnishings and few creature comforts—offering little or no interest.

To others, this vision exudes calmness, comfort, security and simplicity—just to name a few. For those who have become burdened with anxiety from stressful jobs, a fast paced life or personal loss, a shot of log cabin elixir can be just the right prescription for their woes. Peaceful healing from within may replace or reduce the need for prescribed medicines. Visions of a quieter existence, a simpler lifestyle, self-reliance and un-entanglement may well become an elating concept.

Wow, this sounds like the cat's meow and perhaps just what the doctor ordered. What ingredients may well be part of this log cabin elixir? Imagine a cozy fireplace ablaze coupled with a pot of comfort food simmering on Grandma's Glenwood stove. Shelves of potential reading that awaits your inquisitive mind to fill the long winter months—some of which are classics that you always wanted to tackle. Your knitting or other project bag is waiting for attention, with several items only partially finished. If those don't fill the hours and days, let's not forget the one-thousand piece puzzles waiting on the top shelf that no one has attacked for decades.


The plentiful woodpile just outside is dry and covered, the lanterns are filled and globes are clean, with several gallons of additional kerosene and wicks on hand. The outside cooler is packed and the larders of canned and dry goods are stuffed. A walk to the village is only one mile away and the new pickerel snow shoes, recently splurged for at Bean's, are standing in

## Log Cabin Elixer

by Rod Johnson



the corner. The ice fishing traps and chisel are hanging up in the shed.

As the winter proceeds into a deep sleep, you notice that you too are sleeping like a log! The days are short and easy to pass with chores around the cabin, exploring the area on skis or snowshoes and occasionally setting a few ice traps on the little lake nearby. As mid-winter approaches, the guppy birds (woodmen's friends) have become your daily visitors and expect the feeders outside to be restocked on a regular basis. As spring starts to peek around the corner, the likely hood is that the now rested patient who signed up for this special elixir will be completely cured of any demons, with self-confidence galore, ready to take on the next chapter in life. Anyone want to sign up? 



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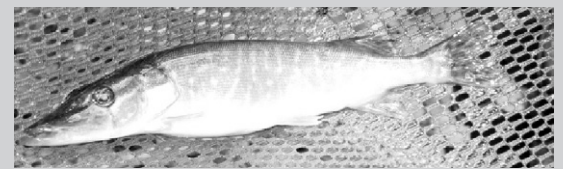
## Summer Flying By

by Pete Kallin

The summer is flying by. The weather has continued to be variable- mostly hot and humid with a few thundershowers, but occasionally really nice for hiking in the shady woods. Lots of events going on in town and also outside. It is heartening to run into so many families out enjoying the local trails. This past week was really busy for me. I ended up at Kezar Lake in Lovell with the Maine Lakes Society's floating classroom, the Melinda Ann. We took 30 members of the Kezar Lake Watershed Association out on Sunday and then over 30 underprivileged and economically disadvantaged campers aged 5 to about 14 on Monday. It was a very diverse group but all learned something about their lake. I then came back to Long Pond to meet some Maine IFW fishery biologists, who were sampling Long Pond the next morning to try to determine how the recently stocked rainbow trout in the lake were doing and what they were eating. Short answer- the fish are growing well but only a few of them seem to be eating the landlocked alewives in the lake. We collected many smallmouth bass in the 4-pound plus range that were gorging on alewives as well as a beautiful, 7-pound+ brown trout that was safely released after being measured and weighed.



Top left: IFW measuring and weighing rainbow trout in Long Pond.  
Bottom left: Releasing 7 # brown trout



Top right: Electrofishing the Stony Brook  
Bottom right: Fat 10-inch pike caught in brook.

After the work in the lake, the team headed to the Stony Brook in Mount Vernon to do some electrofishing to sample the fish population. There were quite a few black-nosed dace, a white sucker, and a couple of small northern pike, one of which had just eaten a large meal. I was very impressed with the professionalism of the IFW team and how much they truly love their jobs and their role in protecting Maine's freshwa-

ter fish.

Later in the week, Matt Scott towed the Melinda Ann to Lake Saint George in Liberty, where Phil Mulville took a couple groups of young campers out to teach them about water quality measurements and give them hands on experience measuring Secchi depths,

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## On the Water at Long Pond: A Home for All Seasons



"On vacation for life" sounds like an appealing concept. But it's a reality, not merely an abstraction, here at this splendid custom home on the western shore of Long Pond.

Glorious sunrises; long, easterly views across the lake; observation of the nesting eagles on the little island directly opposite ... These are among the privileges to be enjoyed - year-round.

The property has 100 feet of private frontage, and a substantial dock on a small, protected cove. One of the renowned Belgrade Chain of Lakes, Long Pond at 2,557 acres provides wonderful opportunities for extended days of exploration out on the water, and the fishery - which includes landlocked salmon, brook trout, and both small-and-large-mouth bass - makes anglers very happy.

More, one of Maine's finest golf facilities, the Belgrade Lakes Golf Club is just eight miles away. Many people summer in the area specifically to play its 18-hole, Clive Clark-designed course every year.

Others are fortunate to be here during all four seasons, and where



Photos by Remy Henry, hoangrealty.com

better to do so than at this expanded and much-updated, open-concept, cottage-style lakefront charmer? Measuring 1,936 square feet, the home has a bedroom and a bath on each of its three levels. The lower level - daylight and walkout - has been finished into a beautifully paneled and spacious master suite, with a wood stove on a brick hearth.

Full enjoyment of the gorgeous setting is aided by a screened porch, generous decking, huge windows, and full-view doors. The cathedral-ceiling great room has exposed beams and a floor-to-ceiling brick fireplace, and flows into the dining area and into a sparkling kitchen with soapstone surfaces and stainless appliances. Floors are Southern yellow pine. The heating system is new.

As a rental, the property produces significant income. Further advantages include a detached, two-car garage; a designated RV pad; a garden shed; and a deck, patio and firepit at the water's edge. Please note that the home is offered with all furnishings.

The home at 38 Bonzo's Hollow, Mount Vernon, is listed at \$565,000 by Merline Douglas of Hoang Realty in Augusta. Please contact Merline at 207-623-0623; 207-485-0138; or merlinedouglas@yahoo.com; and visit www.hoangrealty.com.



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- **Danforth Gallery**, Jewett Hall, art exhibits, UMA-1234, [www.uma.edu](http://www.uma.edu)
- **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
- **Maine State Library**, Monday-Saturday opens 9 am, 287-5600, [www.maine.gov/msl/](http://www.maine.gov/msl/), State Street
- **Museum in the Streets**, walking/history tour, [www.augusta-maine.gov](http://www.augusta-maine.gov), Water Street/downtown.
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- **University of Maine at Augusta Fitness Trail**, 2 miles of wooded trails, near Civic Center, Route 27
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- **Belgrade Historical Society**, 495-2973, [belgradehistoricalsociety.org](http://belgradehistoricalsociety.org)
- **Belgrade Public Library**, 124 Depot St. Open M/W 2-6, T/Th 10-7, Sa 10-2. Weekly story hour and Minecraft, monthly book group. 207-495-3508., <http://belgrade.lib.me.us/>
- **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

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- **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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- **Farmers' Market**, 778-6602, Friday 9 am-2 pm, Better Living Center parking lot, Front Street; Saturday 8 am-12 noon, Main Street
- **Meetinghouse Park and Gazebo**, weekly concerts throughout summer, downtown
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- **Artdogs and Circling the Square Fine Art Press**, Friday 1-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm, 582-6600, [www.theartdogs.com](http://www.theartdogs.com), 275-277 Water Street
- **Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center**, 582-7144, [www.johnsonhall.org](http://www.johnsonhall.org) 280 Water Street
- **Monkitree**, art exhibits, 512-4679, [www.monkitree.com](http://www.monkitree.com), Tuesday-Friday 10 am-6 pm, Saturday 12-6 pm, 263 Water Street
- **SpinOff Studio**, 588-7297, [spinoffstudio.org](http://spinoffstudio.org), Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, 405 Water Street
- **Farmers' Market**, 512-8022, [www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org](http://www.gardinerfarmersmarket.org), Wednesday 2-6 pm, rain or shine, The Common
- **Kennebec River Rail Trail**, 623-8162, [www.krrt.org](http://www.krrt.org), access near Gardiner/Randolph Bridge, 6.5 miles to Augusta

- **Waterfront Park**, picnicking, events throughout summer, Kennebec River

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- **Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial**, free entertainment programs, monthly - Friday 2 and 7 pm, 946-5311, [www.sawyer-foundation.com](http://www.sawyer-foundation.com), 371 Sawyer Road, off Route 202

#### HALLOWELL

- **Harlow Gallery**, Kennebec Valley Art Association, 622-3813, [www.harlowgallery.org](http://www.harlowgallery.org) Wed- Sat, 12-6 pm, 160 Water Street
- **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

#### 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](http://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](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
- **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](http://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](http://www.nemusiccamp.com), 8 Goldenrod Lane, Route 23
- **Sidney Historical Society**, 724-8032, [www.sidneyhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.sidneyhistoricalsociety.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

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

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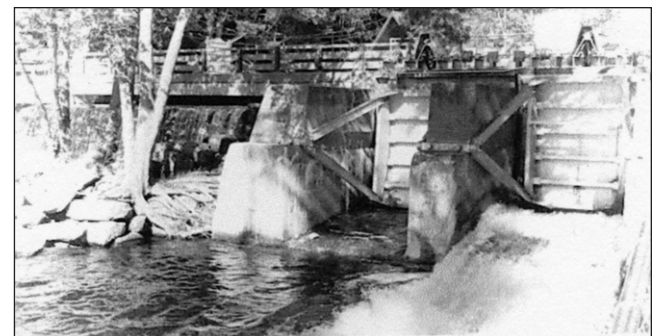
- **Wilton Farm & Home Museum**, 645-2091, 645-4578, [www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org](http://www.thewiltonfarmandhomemuseum.org), Saturday 1-4 pm or by appointment, 10 Canal Street

**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

**O**uch! Not again?!?! This seems like déjà vu. All of our ponds are behaving as if they're in another drought. Nobody is talking drought but it sure looks like it.

As of this writing, Great Pond just went below full pond at 0.72". Basically a hair under full pond. Last summer at this time Great Pond was 4.92" below so although this is not the end of the world, the honeymoon is over. The lack of real rain is taking its toll. Long Pond is currently 3.6" below full which is an improvement over last year when it was an incredible 10.44" below full but we are not seeing a good trend here. Salmon/McGrath was down 4" last week and is now down 6" which is still better than the 11" we were down last year at this time but you can see where we are headed.

We have had some beautiful weather lately and this coming week is no exception. Just a slight .07" mist forecasted for the next 10 days. Chamber of Commerce Beautiful! But, add the rays to the average daily loss of 3/10" due to evaporation and you can see why our water levels are where they are.

But this is all for those volunteers on your Dams Committee to fret about. All you have to 'worry' about is do I put on spf 30 or 50? Do we go to Day's before or after lunch? The lake looks great and feels great at a perfect 80F. What's not to love! Enjoy the family, your vacation and this incredibly beautiful weather.



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Secretary, Belgrade Lakes Watershed Dams Committee

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## Calendar

...Through Saturday 8/17 - Skowhegan State Fair, year 201, \$15 all day ride bracelet Friday, \$17 Saturday, all exhibition halls open, pulling events, North Atlantic Wrestling Association, Pari Mutuels, Harness Racing, Salisbury Roadshow, The Magic of Conjuring Carroll, bingo, Demolition Derby Friday, Honkey Tonkers country music Saturday, gates open 7 am, evening show 7 pm, [www.skowheganstatefair.com](http://www.skowheganstatefair.com), Madison Avenue/Route 201 north, Skowhegan.

...Thursday 8/15 through Sunday 8/18 - "Chicago the Musical," Lakewood Theater, 474-7176, Rt. 201, Madison.

...Thursday 8/15 - Children's Day at the Sawyer Foundation, "The Legend of the Banana Kid" by Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers, free admission, 2 pm and 7 pm, 946-5311, Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene.

...Thursday 8/15 through Monday 8/17 - Art Exhibition, Traveling Brushes Redux - Friends Who Paint in Wayne, watercolors by Jann Haynes Gilmore and oils by George Hamilton, a percentage of the art sales will be donated to the Alice Room Project, opening reception Thurs 6-8 pm, exhibit Fri 10 am-1 pm, Sat 10 am-3 pm, Sun 1-4 pm, Mon 10 am-12 pm, 685-3612, Williams House, Cary Memorial Library, Wayne.

...Friday 8/16 - "Intimate Apparel" 1 pm; "Murder for Two" 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater at Monmouth.

...Friday 8/16 - The Sunday Project, Old Time Swing/Jazz, 7:30 pm, \$12, 299-2362, Union Hall, Route 41, Vienna.

...Friday 8/17 - Half Moon Jug Band, Free Waterfront Concert Series, 6-7:30 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

...Friday 8/16 and Saturday 8/17 - A Midsummer Night's Dream, Shakespeare in the Park, presented by the Augusta Downtown Alliance and the Gaslight Theater, free admission, bring chairs/blankets, 6:30 pm, Waterfront Park, downtown Augusta.

...Saturday 8/17 through Saturday 8/24 - Union Fair, "A Real Maine Agricultural Fair," free parking, free grandstands, non-stop schedule of events, [www.unionfair.org](http://www.unionfair.org), Union.

...Saturday 8/17 - 7th Antique Fair and Flea Market sponsored by Vienna Historical Society, antiques, collectibles and other merchandise, good food, plenty of parking, free space for sellers from any town, 9 am-2 pm, 293-4825, Historical Society grounds, Route 41, Vienna.

...Saturday 8/17 - "The Velveteen Rabbit," Lakewood Young Performers Camp, 10 am, 474-7176, Lakewood Theatre, 76 Theatre Road, off Route 201, Madison.

...Saturday 8/17 - 32nd Annual Sidewalk Art Festival, regional artists showcasing their work 9 am-3 pm, live music, great food, children's activities, luncheons and lawn sales, picnic area on lake, 377-8020, downtown Winthrop.

...Saturday 8/17 - Geology Hike on French Mountain, with geologist Mel Croft, bring a lunch, 11 am, meet at parking lot on Watson Pond Road, Rome.

...Saturday 8/17 - Wildlife Encounters, join wildlife experts and professional educators with their living menagerie of exotic wildlife, meet and photograph, 11 am, 657-4977, Wildlife Park, Route 26, Gray.

...Saturday 8/17 - "Hamlet" by William Shakespeare 1 pm; "The Merry Wives of Windsor" by William Shakespeare 7:30 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater at

Monmouth.

...Saturday 8/17 - Mt. Philip Grange Supper, 3 kinds of beans, American chop suey, hot dogs, coleslaw, bread and pies, all you can eat, Grange Hall, Routes 27 and 225, Rome.

...Saturday 8/17 - Dempsey Challenge Elvis Week Concert, doors open 5 pm, concert 6:30 pm, \$15, 242-2749, American Legion, Church Street, Oakland.

...Sunday 8/18 - "The Merry Wives of Windsor" by William Shakespeare, 1 pm, 933-9999, Cumston Hall, Theater at Monmouth.

...Sunday 8/18 - Greater Augusta Area Back to School Event, a free event for free school supplies, all products and services donated by area businesses, individuals and clubs/organizations, 1-3 pm, 485-4710, Augusta Elks, 397 Civic Center Drive, Augusta.

...Sunday 8/18 - "Skowhegan Orchestra," Coburn Park Concert, 5-6:15 pm, free, bring lawn chairs and blankets, 474-0527, Coburn Park Bandstand, Route 2, Water Street, Skowhegan.

...Sunday 8/18 - A Live and Silent Auction to benefit the Belgrade Public Library, auctioneer Steve Smith, coffee, desserts, entertainment by Rick Ray, auction items include 4 tickets to a Red Sox Game, a wooden bowl made from a tree taken down in the Village, a cord of wood, golf for two at the Belgrade Lakes Golf Course, 495-2101, 7 pm, Center for All Seasons, Route 27, Belgrade Lakes.

...Tuesday 8/20 - Waterville Cal Ripken World Series Day, hosted by Gifford's, featuring mini-golf, batting cage and ice cream, meet the young players, public invited, Gifford's Ice Cream, Waterville.

...Tuesday 8/20 - The Shakes, Rock on the

River free summer concert, 7 pm, Hallowell Bandstand, Granite City Park, 94 Water Street, Hallowell.

...Wednesday 8/21 and Thursday 8/22 - Maine Farm Days, free and open to the public, children's learning center, great food, chicken BBQ, whoopee pie and wild blueberry pie contests, workshops, wagon tours, corn maze, crafts, much more, [www.mainefarmdays.com](http://www.mainefarmdays.com), 622-7847 ext. 3, Misty Meadows Farm, Hill Road, Clinton.

...Wednesday 8/21 - Sunset Paddle on Taylor Pond, Kayak Adventure Program sponsored by 50 Mile River Watershed Association, all equipment provided, Maine Guide escorted, pre-registration required, 6-8 pm,

...Wednesday 8/21 through Saturday 8/24 - "Chicago the Musical," 474-7176, Lakewood Theater, Route 201, Madison.

...Thursday 8/22 through Sunday 8/25 - Blistered Fingers Family Bluegrass Music Festival, 10 live bands, extra large tent area, food concessions, camping, security, [www.blisteredfingers.com](http://www.blisteredfingers.com), 873-6539, Litchfield Fairgrounds, Litchfield.

...Thursday 8/22 through Saturday 8/24 - Friends of the Lithgow Library Book Sale, book bags and mugs, too, Thursday 9 am-7:30 pm, Friday 9 am-3 pm, Saturday, 9-11:30 am, 626-2415, Lithgow Public Library, 45 Winthrop Street, Augusta.

...Thursday 8/22 - Classic Car Cruise In, classic cars and music, 3-7 pm, Waterfront Park, Gardiner.

...Thursday 8/22 - Health, Sanitation and Deadly Diseases in the 1800s, a lively presentation in character on home remedies, customs and beliefs, 12 noon, 897-4366, Washburn-Norlands Living History Center, 290 Norlands Road, Livermore.

...Thursday 8/22 - Textured Clay Tiles,

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...Thursday 8/22 - Outer Space, Outdoor Concert, free, 6-8 pm, gazebo, Oakland Waterfront Park, Lake Messalonskee, Oakland.

...Thursday 8/22 - "Inventing Vacationland: How Maine became a number one Tourist Destination," by Scott Andrew of the University of Southern Maine Senior College, hosted by the Belgrade Historical Society, 7 pm, Maine Lake Resource Center, Main Street, Belgrade Lakes.

## Mad Hatters Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Project

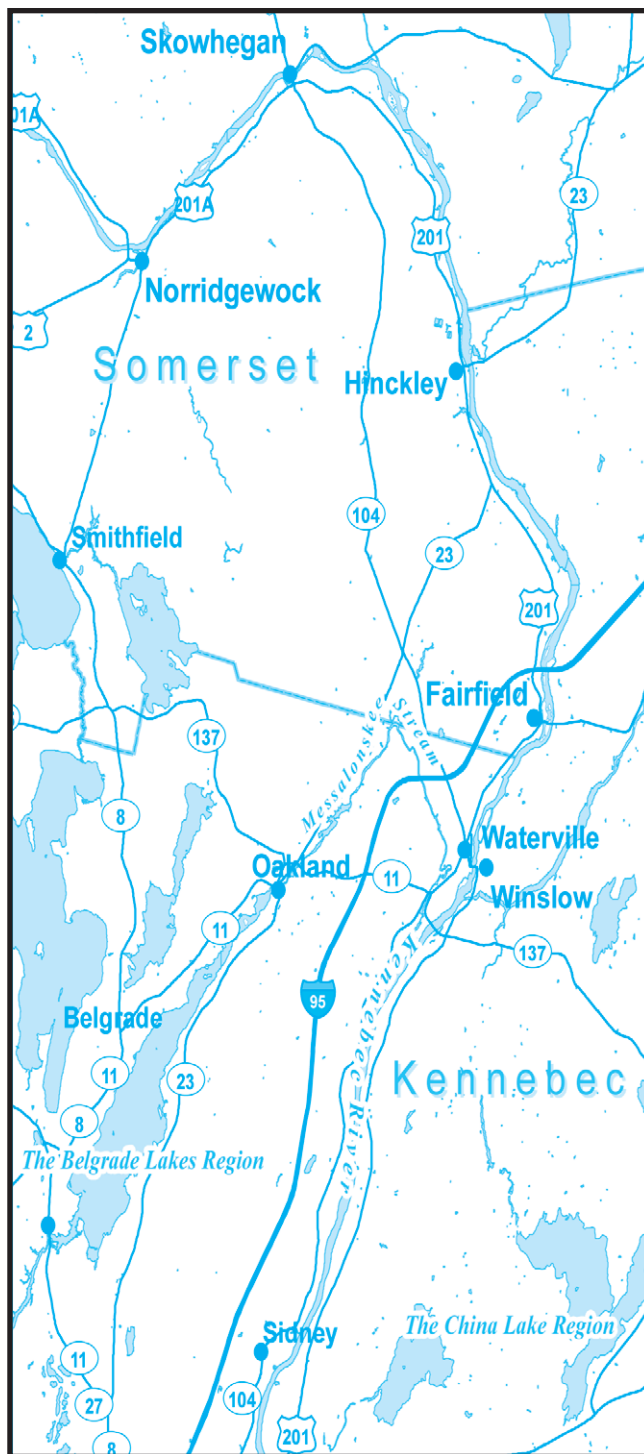
In the Fall of last year the newly formed Mad Hatters Committee launched a campaign to save The Alice in Wonderland Room which had been generously donated in its entirety to the Cary Memorial Library by Grace Burleigh, a revered resident of Wayne. The room has both cultural and historical significance. The first step taken was to seek professional counsel in the fields of humanities and museology to determine if the room was worth the price of saving. The experts' consensus was unanimous that The Alice Room should be saved for present and future generations. Two of the best Conservators in the state of Maine have dismantled the room and conservation has begun on the 87-year old art panels that were painted on gypsum board.

This treasure has entertained many young children over the years. The artist, Alfred T. Merian, was a trained architect at Harvard, but in 1932, under the eaves in his mother's home in Wayne, he painted seventeen panels depicting the iconic children's tale of Alice falling down the rabbit hole. Lewis Carroll, the British author, wrote Alice's Adventures in Wonderland in 1865 and the book has been in print for over 150 years. The panels including the Cheshire cat, the tea party, the lobster quadrille and other illustrations were painted in the style of the original illustrator, Sr. John Tenniel. Recently the first conserved panel showing an elongated Alice after she had drunk from the magical little bottle as been preserved and returned to Wayne where it was showcased at an event in June.

The second phase of the project is now underway to install the restored Alice Room in the adjacent historic carriage barn at the Williams House, a library property and hub for many community events. Remodeling and upgrading the lighting, heating, and conformity with ADA, including the specially configured Alice room, will require additional funding. Conservation of additional art panels continues and once the space is completed, the Cary Memorial Library will incorporate literary programs and events for the children and adults in Kennebec County and throughout the state of Maine.

The total cost of the Alice Room project is \$98,000. Thanks to generous donors, over half of

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these funds has been raised to date. The Mad Hatters Committee continues their fundraising efforts in order to complete this unique project. Donations are welcome and can be made to the Wayne Library Association, earmarked for the Alice Room project, Cary Memorial Library, 17 Old Winthrop Road, Wayne, and at Post Office Box 127, Wayne, Maine 04284. As an interpretive dimension to the Alice Room, a recent book has been released on the global phenomenon of Alice in Wonderland and her adventures in the town of Wayne. It is available for purchase at the Cary Memorial Library (207-685-3612).

Please join us in Alice's journey as it gets "curiouser and curiouser." One will be surprised when the impact of Alice's Adventures is understood and how it has influenced the literary and art world and our day to day expressions. <http://www.cary-memorial.lib.me.us>

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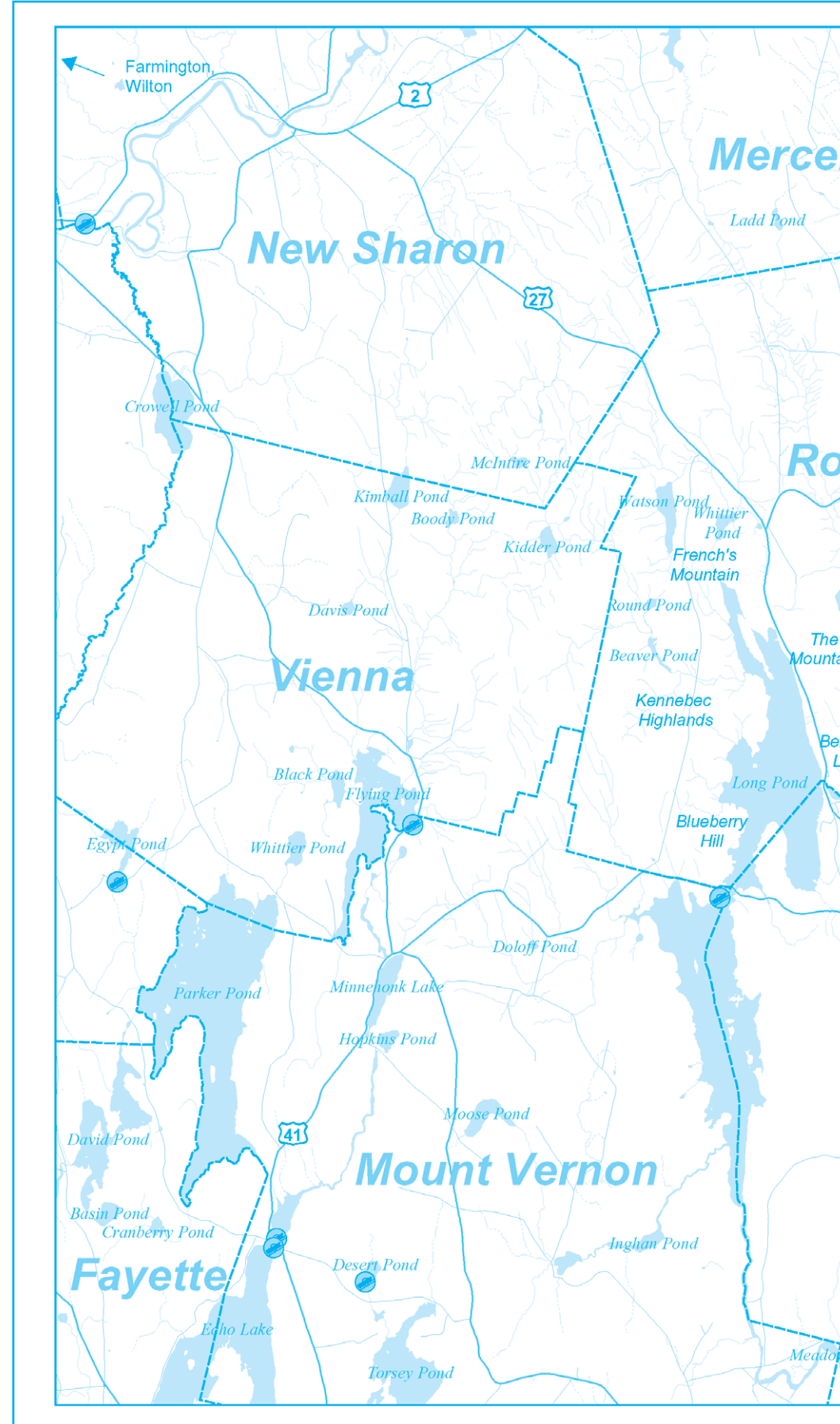
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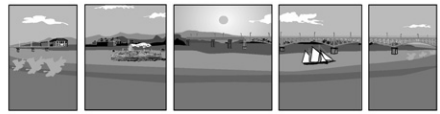
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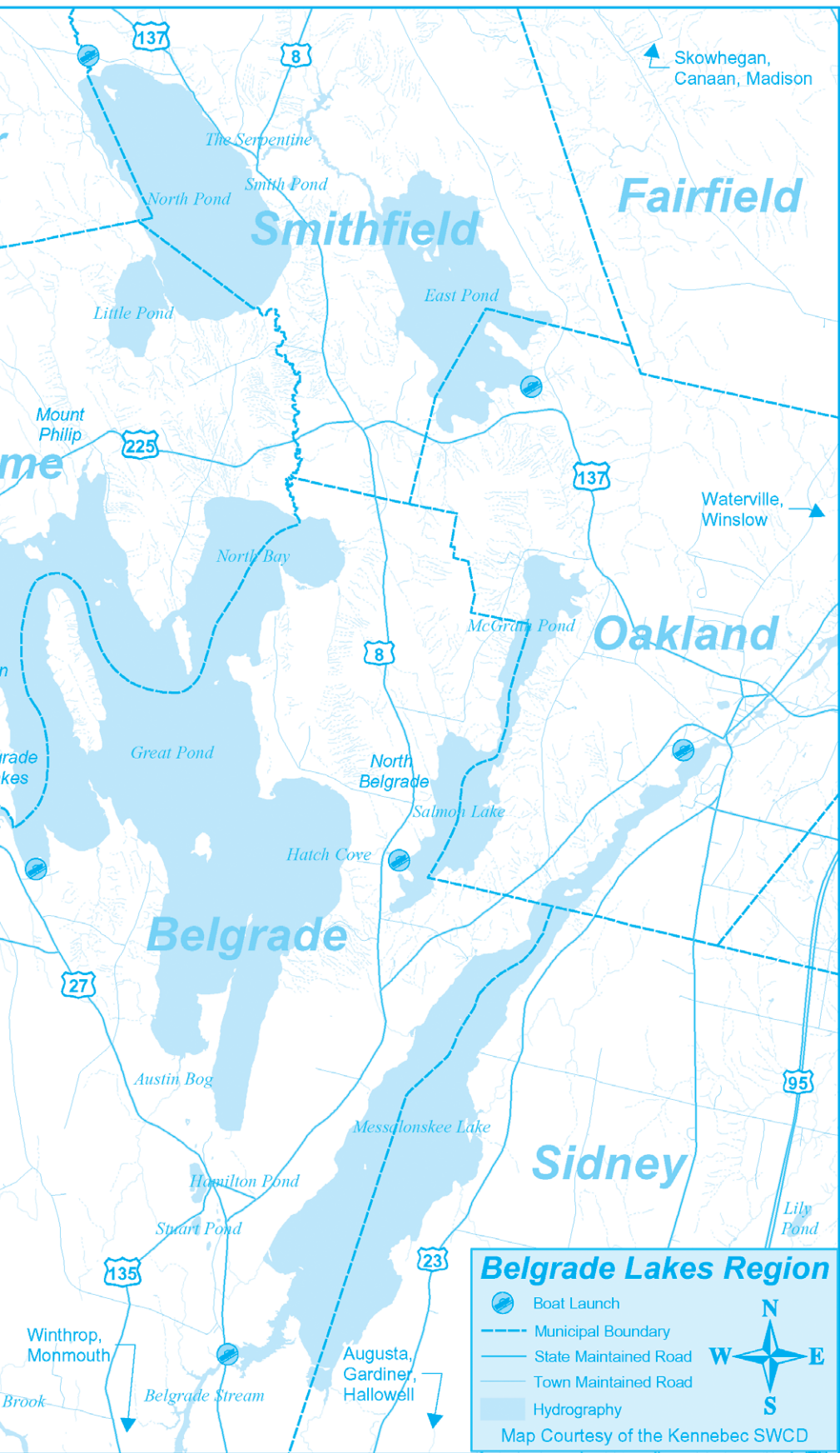


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- On Saturday, August 24, a Live Auction will be held at the Fayette Fire Station, Route 17 to benefit the renovation of the Starling Hall Grange. Preview 4-5 pm; auction 5 pm. Food/refreshments will be available to buy. fayet-temaine.org, 685-3099
- At The Theater At Monmouth, Comedy Night returns on Saturday, August 24 with The River Comics, a group of L/A area writers that write jokes, do stand-up and laugh. 933-9999
- Sunday, August 25 is the National Parks Service birthday and Free Entrance Day.
- The Kennebec Land Trust's popular Tri-Sport Challenge will take place on Sunday, August 25 at Camp Androscoggin in Wayne. All are welcome; register at 377-2848.

• The Windsor Fair, A Family Tradition Since 1888, will be held Sunday, August 25 through Labor Day, September 2nd. [www.windsorfair.com](http://www.windsorfair.com), 549-7911

• On Thursday, August 29, Felted Finger Puppets is on the Art in the Park schedule, 4-6 pm as part of the Free Family-Friendly Crafts at RiverWalk, Head of Falls, downtown Waterville.

• Main Street Skowhegan will host the Skowhegan Craft Brew Festival on Saturday, August 31, 2-7 pm. 612-2571

• The final Saturday Pot Luck Supper of the season will be held on August 31 at 6:30 pm at the Smithfield Baptist Church.

### SEPTEMBER

• Run For The Horses 5K to benefit Double B Equine Rescue will be held on Monday, September 2 near Lake Wesserunett in Madison. [runsignup.com/Race/ME/Madison/FunForHorses5K](http://runsignup.com/Race/ME/Madison/FunForHorses5K)

• On Thursday, September 5, The Stranger, A Tribute to Billy Joel, will be presented at bowl in the Pines, Snow Pond Center for the Arts, Sidney at 7:30 pm. Ticketed Event. 844-476-6976

• A Rick Charette Concert will be held on Saturday, September 7 at 11 am-12 noon, rain or shine, at the Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. 657-4977

• Sense and Sensibility will be performed September 12-22 at Cumston Hall, The Theater At Monmouth. 933-9999

• Touch and Go will be performed September 12-15 and 18-21 at Lakewood Theater in Madison. 474-7176

• Downeast Medal Finals horse show is scheduled for September 13-15 at the Skowhegan Fairgrounds. 329-0514

• The Common Ground Country Fair will be Friday through Sunday, September 20-22 in Unity. Gates open 9 am. 568-4142

• Tuesday 9/24 - Music in the Museum: Tim Burris and Joelle Morris, will be held at noon at the Colby College Museum of Art, Mayflower Hill, Waterville.

• The Fryeburg Fair will be held Sunday, September 29 through Sunday, October 6 with exhibition halls and farm museum open 9 am-9 pm and museum craft demonstrations 10 am-5 pm. Senior Citizens Day is Tuesday with 65 and over free. Camping 935-2912.



**Winthrop 32nd Side Walk Art Festival**  
Saturday, Aug. 17, 9 am to 3 pm

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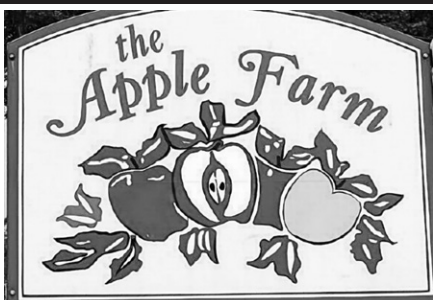
"Naturalist as Artist" children's program,  
Bailey Public Library, 10:30 am; summer reading party 1 pm.

Corn Hole Tournament at van der Brew, 30 Summer St., 2 pm.

Sons of Be's, Norcross Point Concert, 2 pm.

The annual art festival is sponsored by the Winthrop Lakes Region Chamber.  
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## Changing Climate, Changing Need for Vigilance, Resources to Protect Belgrade Lakes Watershed

By Laura Rose Day

A sunny, hot summer punctuated by intense storms and studies on how a changing climate impacts people and wildlife has caused many people who live, work and play on the Belgrade Lakes to ask what these changes may mean for the watershed's health, economy and recreation. In the Belgrade Lakes and nearby watersheds, 7 Lakes Alliance and many partners provide information, training and opportunities to act to protect both lands and waters.

Climate-related impacts on lake systems -- including both land and water-- are many; just a few factors can be discussed here. For instance, more frequent and intense storms increase erosion and stir up sediments on the bottom of lakes and streams, harming habitat and increasing phosphorus in the lakes. These contribute to harmful and even toxic algal blooms. More runoff requires improvements to culverts and better erosion management on roads.

Threats from invasive plants and animals also increases with warmer, longer summers. Earlier ice-out can cause longer open water seasons with ideal conditions for increased growth (more sun) of invasive plants such as variable milfoil infestations in Great Pond. Earlier and longer boating and fishing seasons can also increase the spread and introduction of invasive species. Longstanding "Memorial Day to Labor Day"

schedules for 7 Lakes Alliance's Courtesy Boat Inspection programs are no longer sufficient. Last summer, we counted about 1,500 additional boat visits at a single boat launch after the end of the 2018 inspection season -- increasing the risk of undetected invaders and requiring increased protection at increased cost.

Lands in the watershed are impacted, too, with longer warmer seasons favoring harmful and invasive organisms such as the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid and plants such as Japanese knotweed. More intense storms make it more important to keep lands intact to protect water quality, especially in steep areas. The need for less impervious surface, better drainage and buffers from wind and water damage increases.

7 Lakes Alliance works with property owners, governments, lake associations and others to take on-the-ground actions to prevent or mitigate the impacts of a changing climate. We fight the spread of invasive plants by removing variable milfoil, surveying for new infestations, and preventing spread by getting citizens to adopt their shorelines to watch for invaders. Our Courtesy Boat Inspectors help keep invasive organisms from entering our waters. Our Youth Conservation Corps installs buffers and other tools to help people protect their land from erosive forces of storms and wakes.

Thorough, rigorous science remains crucial to understanding and combating potential impacts of changing climate conditions. 7 Lakes Alliance works in collaboration with Colby College to monitor water quality including oxygen, mixing of lake layers (stratification), phosphorous and algae as key elements of understanding the impacts of changing weather conditions.

All told, climate-related challenges make efforts to conserve the lands and waters of the region more time-intensive, difficult and expensive. 7 Lakes Alliance provides resources to keep people in the Belgrade Lakes watershed informed; we recently hosted a presentation by Maine's State Climatologist and co-hosted with Maine Lakes Society a climate communications workshop. Visit 7 Lakes Alliance ([www.7lakesalliance.org](http://www.7lakesalliance.org)) to learn about training, volunteer opportunities, and resources including "Early indications of climate impacts on Maine Lakes: A case study from the Belgrades", a 2019 Maine Water Conference presentation by our Water Quality Science Director Dr. Danielle Wain, board member Dr. Peter Kallin and Colby College's Dr. Whitney King. You'll also find links to excellent resources including various state agencies, Lake Stewards of Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program and much more. Learn ways to protect our economically, recreationally and ecologically valuable watershed!

### LakeSmart Tip: Secure Your Structure

by Sabine Fontaine

Drip! Drip! Drip! Where does rainwater go once it lands on your roof? What does it take with it? In addition to septic, LakeSmart also looks at your structures. Specifically, we look at where water goes after it falls from your roof. Underneath the eaves lies our biggest concern. As rain falls from your eaves, it hits the ground and carries dirt away towards the lake.

There is an easy solution: install driplines! A dripline trench will capture rainwater as it falls from your eaves, preventing it from carrying pollutants towards the lake and reducing backsplash onto your house. Sounds great, right? Reduce pollutants being carried into the lake AND reduce the wear on your house! But wait, it gets better-- you

could install them yourself! Dig a trench underneath the eaves of your house 18" deep by 18" wide and fill it with crushed stone. The stones should be between 1/2" and 1 1/2" in diameter. Water will drip, drip, drip off the roof and be captured, held, and infiltrated.

If there is a location where water is building up, you may need a dry well -- a 3' by 3' by 3' hole filled with crushed stone. You often need dry wells in low areas or where roof lines come together and create a stream of runoff. If you are interested in getting personalized LakeSmart recommendations for your property, sign up for a free, no obligation LakeSmart visit by contacting Sabine at [lakesmart@blmaine.org](mailto:lakesmart@blmaine.org) | 207-512-5150



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- August 8-17 Skowhegan
- August 25-September 2 Windsor
- August 30-September 2 Harmony
- September 5-8 Clinton
- September 6-8 Litchfield
- September 13-15 New Portland
- September 15-21 Farmington
- September 20-22 Common Ground Fair/Unity

### Literacy Volunteers

• Literacy Volunteers Waterville Area is seeking volunteers to tutor adults in a one-to-one setting. There will be a training workshop on Saturday, September 21, 9 am-3 pm at the United Way office in Waterville. 873-7786

### 7 Lakes Alliance

• The Annual Meeting of the 7 Lakes Alliance (formerly Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance) will be held on Wednesday, September 4 at Alden Camps on East Pond in Oakland. Please RSVP for dinner by August 30. 495-6039

### Augusta

• The Lithgow Library will be expanding Saturday hours, Beginning Saturday, September 7. New hours, 9 am-5 pm will be in effect September through May. 626-2415

### Greene

• The Pineland Fiddlers will be performing on Friday, August 23 at 2 and 7 pm at the Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Memorial, 371 Sawyer Road, Greene. Admission is free. 946-5311

### Hallowell

• The Harlow, in partnership with Kennebec Land Trust (KLT) is seeking art for the upcoming exhibition "Art and the Land" - an open call juried show celebrating the 30th anniversary of the KLT - to be on view October 25-November 30. Deadline for entries is September 20, 11:59 pm. 622-3813

The KLT works with landowners and communities to conserve forests, shorelands, fields and wildlife that define central Maine. It protects land permanently, offers opportunities for people to learn about and enjoy the natural world and works with partners to support sustainable forestry and farming. [www.tkl.org](http://www.tkl.org)

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Over 20 of northern New England's most talented lady artisans will celebrate the end of summer with live music, Maine Mystery Writers, and Good Pie Bakery with a lovely show that will help support Winthrop's Sexual Assault Crisis and Support Center. This annual show will feature beautifully handcrafted jewelry, intricate weaving, pottery, clothing, handmade soaps and body care, and much more! Designing Women's Manchester show is always a wonderful outing and a spectacular way to shop Longfellow's end-of-the-season sales, and to help support SACSC. The suggested \$2 door donation and all lunch/refreshment proceeds will be collected and utilized by Winthrop's Sexual Assault Crisis and Support Center.

For additional information regarding Designing Women's upcoming Manchester, Maine show, please contact Mary Kay Spencer at The Potter's House at 207-582-7985 or visit Designing Women's website at <http://www.designingwomen.org>.

About Designing Women - Designing Women is a nonprofit volunteer corporation established by female artisans from New England in 1991 to bridge art and the community by sponsoring shows that benefit local nonprofit services that support women and families.

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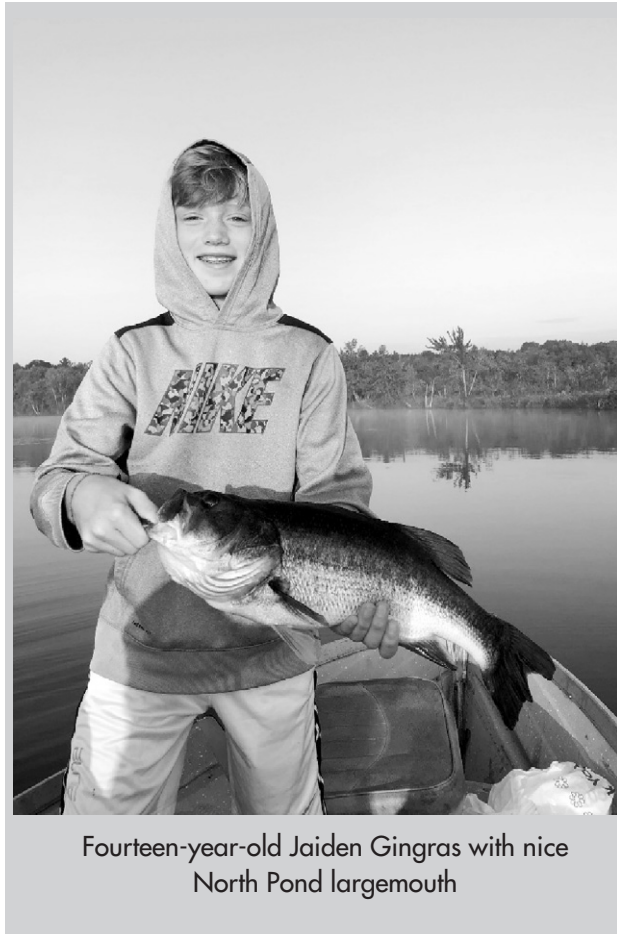
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Fourteen-year-old Jaiden Gingras with nice North Pond largemouth

doing plankton tows, benthic sampling, and measuring the temperature-oxygen profile in the lake. While Phil was out with the kids, Matt

and I fished for a bit for salmon, trout and bass, doing much better with the bass than the salmonids. Meanwhile, back on North Pond, Jodie Mosher Towle's nephew, Jaiden Gingras, who came out on the Melinda Ann last week, went fishing early in the morning with his dad on his late uncle's lucky boat. He caught the largest bass of his life. I guarantee he was happy to be "taken outside" and will have memories that last a lifetime.

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/>). 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.



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## Maine's Stephen King

by Martha F. Barkley

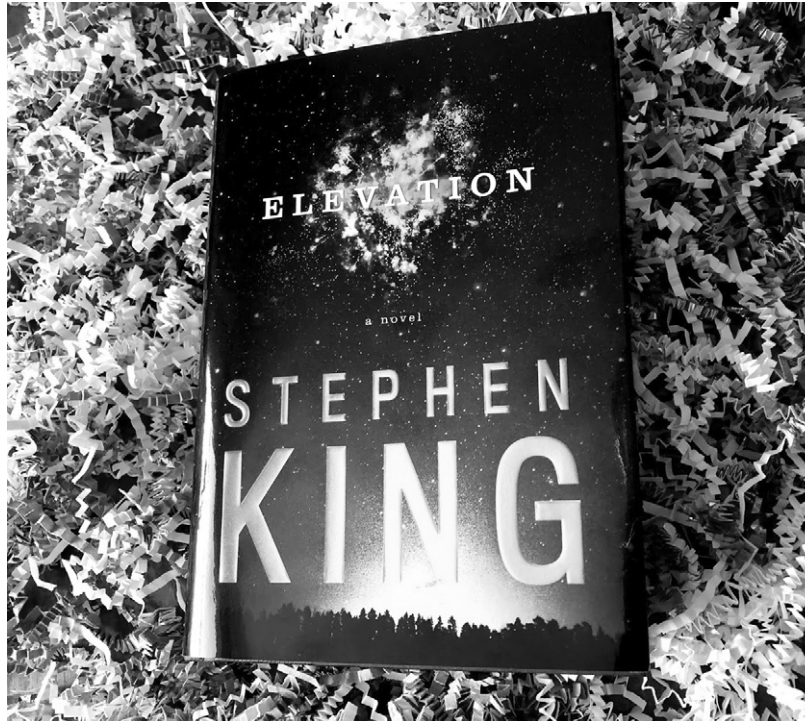
I actually read the newest novel by our very own Stephen King, horror writer, from Bangor, Maine. I understand from last summer's Great American Read Contest all summer long, that one young man did not read anything until his first Stephen King novel. He read it from cover to cover. Now he runs a store in Bangor full of King's many hardbacks, first editions, paper backs and DVD movies. Still have not visited that bookstore in downtown Bangor.

Our family often stopped by Kezar Lake for a few days of boating and swimming. Stephen King had his own near horrific death experience while walking his dog along the pot hole filled bumpy road around Kezar. Thank goodness he recovered.

Both Tabitha and Stephen King gave generously to our new Belgrade Library a few years ago. Quiet givers to many Maine endeavors.

I was the fourth or fifth patron to check out King's newest novel, Elevation, in just a few short months. That shows how popular he is among Belgrade readers. I figured, a short short novel of horror would go fast, maybe a day or two. I could (maybe) read to the end quickly. Well, it was not horror and I did read the story in a day or two because I wanted to know what was next: a real sign of good writing being a page turner.

The small town was experiencing prejudice against two lesbian restaurant owners. "Lesbean" was the derogatory term being tossed around in the gossip among many. When a running contest came up, our main character



in Elevation decides to enter due to his very unusual high energy level as he is mysteriously losing weight.

This is a weird tale, not the typical horror that King is so well known for.

Losing weight, yet the main character continues pigging out, and even patronizing the "Lesbean" owned restaurant and its delicious menu. He wagers the owner of the restaurant, who has a well-earned record of fast runs and first place winnings, that she will be beat by him, an obviously overweight, unathletic man.

The ending of this strange tale is plenty weird, but not horrifying. Bet you can read it in one sitting, while I took two days. When I mentioned this newest Stephen King to several friends,

I had the same reaction by every single one.

"On Writing" by King was the title mentioned over and over to me. It was published in 2000 and I just took it off my bookshelf in our Great Pond camp. "Writing isn't about making money, getting famous, getting dates...or making friends. In the end, it's about enriching the lives of those who will read...Getting happy, OK? Getting happy...Writing is magic, as much the water of life as any other creative art. The water is free. So drink."

"Drink and be filled up". Stephen King's advice is to be honored, so go check a book out of the library or read a magazine article or comic book.

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**GARDINER-** Recently renovated raised ranch, all new flooring and paint. New kitchen cabinets w/stainless steel appliances. Exterior just painted. 5 year old metal roof. Large front deck overlooking pasture. AC/Heat pump in LR. One car garage with electric door opener. Paved driveway. Great quiet location! **MLS #1427461 \$159,900**

**AUGUSTA-** Freshly renovated 3 unit in quiet area. All 3 units have been completely overhauled, new kitchen, flooring, newer windows, roof and heat system. Serious investors take notice! **MLS #1426865 \$164,900**

**SOMERVILLE-** This beautiful contemporary-round house sits on 6.7 ac. Lots of windows to enjoy the outdoors from every room. Beautiful woodwork- living room has a woodstove that heats the house w/ell; or use the propane heat. Living room atrium doors opens to a large deck. Upstairs master bedroom suite, 3 BR total & loft. 2 BA. Woodshed/ outbuilding. Make this beautiful unique home your own. **MLS #1427482 \$189,900**

**AUGUSTA-** Beautiful cape popular Mayfair neighborhood. Lots of windows & natural light in this 3BR, 2BA home, private yard. Spacious LR with French doors out to large deck. Enter the side door to a mud room w/good closet space before the kitchen. Kitchen fully appliances, granite countertop & breakfast bar. Lots of space. 1st fl laundry, 3 BR upstairs w/full bath. Pretty HW floors. Semi-finished room in basement. Lovely yard w/stone walkway & covered deck. Come see for yourself. **MLS #1413112 \$185,000**

**AUGUSTA-** Lovely New Englander style home loaded with many elegant features and so much character throughout! 5BR, 2.5BA, 1,968SF, pretty trim & woodwork, high ceilings on 1st level, gas stove in Livingroom w/mantle, newer Maple kitchen with appliances, Formal DR, den, mostly all vinyl windows, lots of very attractive hardwood floors, 2nd level- 3BR (master w/bath), 3rd level- 2BR, on demand Rinnai hot water maker. REAL NICE!! Driveway is across the street. **MLS #1411053 \$139,900**

**AUGUSTA-** Well maintained Colonial home in a popular neighborhood. This 3BR home offers large rooms with ample closet space. Kitchen leads out to a deck to enjoy the private backyard. DR w/pocket door. Additional office space w/a separate door. Daylight basement could be finished for even more living space. One car garage and nice breezeway, vinyl siding, natural gas available on the street. **MLS #1422977 \$195,000**

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## Outdoor-inspired Cinema Coming to Belgrade Lakes

Belgrade Community Center will host the Maine Outdoor Film Festival on August 23. Awe, humility, adrenaline: time spent in nature is frequently a conduit for raw human feelings. And when that human in the great outdoors is a filmmaker, those feelings get amplified to the big screen.

The Maine Outdoor Film Festival will bring a program of outdoor adventure and conservation films to Belgrade Community Center For All Seasons on August 23.

The films, which will be projected on a screen outdoors, are from all over the world, including several with Maine and New England connections:

LOBSTERING IN THE GULF OF MAINE is a documentary from first-time filmmaker Kyle Franklin about his day job as an offshore lobsterman.

GHOST OF STEELHEAD FUTURE, by filmmaker RC Cone, follows Oregon fishing guide, Jon Hazlett on a journey through the past. Connecting the near extinction of the Atlantic salmon in Maine with the ever decreasing runs of Steelhead on the West coast.

A MAGIC FLOOD from Art Bell (who splits time between Maine and Vermont) who uses the new Insta360 ONE X 360 camera for a 360 degree spherical effect on a springtime journey on a swollen creek.

"Summer in Maine is all about getting outside," said Maine Outdoor Film Festival director Nick Callanan. "And in Belgrade, we're showing outdoor films, outdoors! That's a win for everyone and it should be a great night." The event is \$5 with proceeds going to Belgrade Community Center after school programs. The screening will begin at dark (about 7:45).

Attendees are encouraged to bring a blanket and/or a beach chair. This event is presented in partnership with Lake Point Real Estate.

The full program of films and a link to pre-purchase tickets can be found online: <http://maineoutdoorfilmfestival.com/2019-belgrade-lakes/>

Associated Media:  
VIDEO TRAILER OF GHOST OF STEELHEAD FUTURE: <https://vimeo.com/352267319>

About the Maine Outdoor Film Festival: A statewide celebration of the active outdoor lifestyle, MOFF presents over 20 programs of outdoor adventure and conservation films, each one a uniquely curated screening, every year in the late summer. For screening details, festival schedule, filmmaker content and more visit: [maineoutdoorfilmfestival.com](http://maineoutdoorfilmfestival.com)

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He once received quite an honorary literary award and in his acceptance speech King gave all the credit to Tabitha, his wife. As newlyweds, she provided a corner of their trailer for his writing, next to the mud room. Every day after teaching, she encouraged her husband to write and type away on the old typewriter. King's corrections in handwritten ink are shown in this favorite book "On Writing".

When Stephen King spoke to the award assembly, he went a further step when he stated that Bestsellers are not necessarily less literate in comparison to the others honored in previous years. Sometimes, he reiterated, Bestsellers are very literate and some popular authors may have a literary corner on the market, rightfully earned. That took guts for King to say

amongst the very erudite audience.

The Booklist at the end on "On Writing" is worthy reading for many reasons, mainly because King lists them! My paperback has three Forewords signed by "Steve" ...now, aren't you curious?

"My wife, sounding out of breath but deliriously happy, read me a telegram. Bill Thompson (who would later go on to discover a Mississippi scribbler named John Grisham) had sent it after trying to call and discovering the Kings no longer had a phone [connected]. CONGRATULATIONS, it read. Carrie officially a Doubleday book. Is \$2,500 advance okay?"

Do not forget Tabitha King's "Survivor" and other titles...

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