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Piscataquis County Extension Association Jan. 11 meeting features Rural Youth Futures Project

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The Piscataquis County Extension Association annual meeting begins at 3 p.m. Jan. 11 online and is open to the public. The meeting will include a presentation by Jessica Leahy, a professor in the University of Maine School of Forest Resources, focused on the Rural Youth Futures Project. The initiative was launched in response to changing economic, population and workforce needs in rural communities. Other presentations include workforce development for rural youth, an update on a recent challenge grant, an overview of the year's programs from UMaine Extension Piscataquis County staff, and a video presentation by the Extension 4-H Communications Science Team. A brief business meeting will follow. The meeting is free; registration is required to receive the link. Register on the [event webpage](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Anette Moulton, 207.564.3301; anette.moulton@maine.edu. More information also is on the [Extension Piscataquis County website](#).

Dumas talks with BDN about preparing, cooking with tomatillos

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Rob Dumas, University of Maine food science innovation coordinator, talked with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about cooking how to prepare tomatillos properly for use in salsas, enchiladas, relishes and more.

Press Herald mentions UMaine website touting Maine-made masks

04 Jan 2021

In an article about pampering ourselves in 2021, the [Portland Press Herald](#) mentioned a University of Maine Innovation and Economic Development [webpage](#) that features makers and retailers of Maine-made face coverings and safety products.

Youth esports collaboration with town of Orono highlighted in BDN

04 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that the town of Orono and the University of Maine have partnered to form an esports league for the town's elementary students. The league, which is for students in grades 2-5, offers a 6-week Minecraft competition that includes weekly one-on-one timed matches. [News Center Maine](#) also reported on the collaboration.

Morning Ag, Centralmaine.com advance new vegetable varieties webinar Jan. 13

04 Jan 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar, "Exciting New Vegetable Varieties for Home Gardeners," which is set for 6 p.m. Jan. 13. More information about the event is [online](#).

Lichtenwalner speaks with BDN about conditioning hens to lay eggs

04 Jan 2021

Anne Lichtenwalner, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension associate professor and director of the veterinary diagnostic laboratory, spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about providing the proper nutrition and environment to support development of young hens into successful egg producers.

BDN spotlights Maine Hunger Dialogue grant to Honors College

04 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that the University of Maine Honors College received a \$500 grant from the Maine Hunger Dialogue. The funds will be used to reduce food insecurity in the student population, which has been exacerbated by the pandemic.

Comer Family Foundation interviews Denton about legacy of research, teaching

04 Jan 2021

The [Comer Family Foundation](#) interviewed George Denton about his legacy of research and instruction. The University of Maine Librarian Professor of Geological Sciences with the School of Earth and Climate Sciences and the Climate Change Institute has spent years tackling large research questions surrounding abrupt climate change, particularly "the history of glaciers seeking clues as to when, why, and how they transform," according to the foundation's story about his work. He has also dedicated himself to training the next generation of scientists through his classes at UMaine. "Get the young people deeply involved in the research. "Once they're deeply involved, they learn fast and they come up with new ideas," Denton said. The foundation also spoke with former students and current UMaine faculty Brenda Hall, professor of glacial geology in the School of Earth and Climate Sciences and the CCI, and Aaron Putnam, an assistant professor in the School of Earth and Climate Sciences and CCI, about Denton's work and influence. "The beauty of it is he really teaches people how to become independent thinkers, not just to learn a method or something, but really to think about how the world works," Putnam said. The

foundation, which finances efforts to advance healthcare, education, environmental science and culture, has helped fund research expeditions for Denton and his students, and founder Gary Comer created the [Comer Fellowship](#) with the UMaine Libra Professor.

UMaine Memorial Union accessible with MaineCard

05 Jan 2021

Access to the University of Maine Memorial Union is restricted to current University of Maine System and UMaine employees and current UMaine students through Jan. 10. Building doors are locked. A MaineCard swipe portal is available for authorized entry on the northeast exterior door of the union, near the corner of the building off MLK Plaza. Building hours are [online](#). The Bear's Den in the union is open for the UMaine community, including residential students living in Estabrooke and Stodder halls. Bear's Den hours of operation are 9 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. More information is [online](#). The University Bookstore and the UMaine Package and Postal Center are open 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

UMaine Extension offers farmer and gardener boot camp for veterans, disabled farmers

05 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer training in small-scale farming for market sales to military veterans and family members and farmers with disabilities starting in January. “Boots-2-Bushels: Boot Camp for Market Gardeners and Farmers” features semimonthly online classes that will be held through May 24 via Zoom and weekly, hands-on fieldwork from May–September at the Kennebec Valley Community College Harold Alfond Campus, 677 Skowhegan Road, Clinton. The first online class will be held from noon–4 p.m. Jan. 11. Training topics will include soil health and crop planning, seedling, vegetable and small fruit production; harvest and storage, safe food handling, marketing and farm business planning, integrated pest management, and tool and equipment maintenance and safety. Experts from UMaine Extension and the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association will serve as instructors. The \$50 per person fee includes textbooks and supplies. Registration is required and can be done on the [event webpage](#). Space is limited, and preference will be given to veterans and family members and farmers with disabilities. Participants who attend 85% of classes and field work will earn a certificate of completion and letter of recommendation. Participants may harvest weekly shares of produce grown. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Anne Devin, 207.991.2651; anne.devin@maine.edu. More information is also available [on the program website](#). This program is made possible through the support of UMaine Extension, Maine AgrAbility, MOFGA and Farm Credit East.

WAGM, Knight preview livestock nutrition, selling meat webinars

05 Jan 2021

[WAGM](#) (Channel 8 in Presque Isle) interviewed Colt Knight, University of Maine Cooperative Extension assistant professor and livestock specialist, about raising livestock to maximize meat production in advancing UMaine Extension's spring webinar series. More information about the webinars is available [online](#).

Press Herald mentions UMaine in coverage of solar power expansion

05 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) mentioned a partnership between the University of Maine and BlueWave Solar in reporting about increasing demand for land to support solar energy infrastructure. UMaine will collaborate with BlueWave to evaluate the impact of installing solar panels on a 10-acre blueberry farm in Rockport.

WVII talks with Anderson about worst year in history

05 Jan 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) interviewed Joel Anderson, a University of Maine assistant professor of history, about whether 2020 was the worst year in history. According to Anderson, previous pandemics have been more challenging. “1348 was the year the Bubonic Plague, Black Death ravaged Europe pretty substantially, wiping out something like 50–60% of Europe's population,” Anderson said.

New microfluidic water purification system under development by UMaine, Harvard researchers

05 Jan 2021

Development of a new, low-cost microfluidic water purification system by researchers at the University of Maine and Harvard University's Wyss Institute for Biologically Inspired Engineering has been funded by the National Science Foundation. The initiative, led by Caitlin Howell, UMaine assistant professor of biomedical engineering, focuses on a method of quickly prototyping a portable pulsed-electric-field sterilization system for membrane filters with a direct route to mass manufacture on industrial-scale equipment. NSF awarded the project \$154,566 in Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) Research Infrastructure Improvement funding. Membrane filtration to purify drinking water can be expensive as the filters can become blocked with debris and need to be replaced. One solution, invented by researchers Richard Novak and Elizabeth Calamari, as well as professor Donald Ingber of the Wyss Institute, is [AquaPulse](#), an off-grid, portable water purification apparatus that uses a pulsed electric field to kill bacteria, parasites and viruses. The system uses a series of microfluidic channels to expose the water to the electric field, removing the need for filters. However, making these devices widely available at a low cost requires a method to mass-manufacture the microfluidic channel system. Working with Novak, Adama Sesay and Ingber, Howell will apply a new method based on 3D printing direct to industrial roll-to-roll casting, which she recently developed in collaboration with Sappi North America for fast prototyping of scalable microfluidic systems using papermaking equipment. PLOS ONE published a [journal article](#) about the technology on Dec. 28. Howell and the Wyss researchers will focus on a broad range of microfluidic fabrication, assembly and analysis techniques needed to apply the process to water purification. “We congratulate Caitlin Howell, the University of Maine and Harvard University's Wyss Institute on this NSF award,” says Nicholas Yardy, director of release technology, Sappi North America. “Microfluidics exemplifies the nanoscale texturing capability of Sappi's Ultracast paper manufacturing process and we look forward to seeing this collaborative microfluidic water purification system become a reality.” Howell, a UMaine alumna,

was a postdoc and Technology Development Fellow at the Wyss Institute from 2012–15, where she focused on developing and translating bio-inspired technology to market. Howell's Biointerface and Biomimetics Engineering Lab at UMaine is dedicated to using nontoxic, noninvasive surface research to understand the interactions of biomolecules, micro-organisms and cells. Understanding the basic science behind biological surface interactions provides the basis for new technologies and applications to benefit medicine and industry. That includes research to mitigate the fouling of membranes and other surfaces to improve health and safety. Most recently, Howell and UMass Amherst chemical engineer Jessica Schiffman, received a more than \$225,000 NSF EAGER — early-concept grants for exploratory research — award for development of a bioengineered membrane for the detection and analysis of airborne coronavirus droplets. A news release is [online](#). Contact: Margaret Nagle, nagle@maine.edu

Graduate teaching assistants for math preserve teamwork, engagement despite pandemic

06 Jan 2021

Collaboration fosters learning in mathematics courses at the University of Maine. In the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic that brought isolation to many, graduate teaching assistants took measures to enable students to participate in collaborative group work in their classes. Whether remote or in-person, 17 graduate teaching assistants ensured students enrolled in courses for precalculus, calculus and teaching elementary mathematics could work together to solve problems, says Natasha Speer, an associate professor of mathematics education at the University of Maine. "There has been a lot of research in how people learn in math, and the one thing found over and over again is that people need to try challenging problems and they need to communicate with each other to develop a strong understanding of the ideas," she says. For online recitations, graduate teaching assistants use Zoom breakout rooms so students can speak with each other, and virtual whiteboards so they can collaborate in ways similar to what would happen in person. Speer says to ensure participation, they have found that having groups select a reporter to discuss the group's work during whole-class discussions is very effective and is a tactic many may continue to use after the pandemic. There are other tools built into Zoom that enable instructors to pose multiple-choice questions, as would be done with clickers in person, and the chat feature can be used to get responses from students as well, Speer says. Students who learned in-person prior to the Thanksgiving holiday worked in groups while following COVID-19 guidance, with each group sending a member to board to compose their work or using online tools in cases where some students participated in-person and others were remote. Hazel Cashman, a teaching assistant from the Master of Science in Teaching program, says engaging students through Zoom poses challenges at times, but she and her colleagues have achieved progress in fostering collaboration. Cashman instructs a precalculus course with guidance from Timothy Boester, assistant professor of mathematics education. This semester was Cashman's first teaching experience and she says, "It's been a unique challenge trying to engage students through Zoom, and each week has its own successes and setbacks." "It takes a while to form a sense of community over Zoom, but I think students are finally settled into the rhythm of group work and are needing a bit less encouragement to collaborate with each other during recitations," she added. Faculty and graduate teaching assistants met the summer before the fall semester to learn about and devise methods for instruction during the pandemic. Speer says the department had to decide over the summer whether to offer in-person instruction. Once the department resolved to incorporate it alongside remote teaching, they devised methods for offering 25-student recitations, utilizing large rooms in Estabrooke Hall and other buildings. "We had no idea whether it would work or not, but we made some plans and figured out other things along the way," Speer says. "We're really fortunate that department leadership, the chair and faculty were willing to take on something so challenging." The shift to remote instruction prompted instructors to deploy other new methods for maintaining student engagement and ensuring they excel in their courses. Speer says many faculty and teaching assistants issued more assessments than in previous years, replacing several periodic exams with more frequent quizzes. Cashman says she meets with students one-on-one to check on their progress and receive feedback, which "helps to let students know that we see and respect the challenges they're facing." "After each recitation, I email every student to provide slides and pictures of everything on the classroom whiteboard to ensure everyone, including the absent students, always has access to all recitation materials," says Prashanta Bajracharya, a Ph.D. student of civil engineering serving as a graduate teaching assistant for calculus. "And I have had several one-on-one Zoom sessions with several students outside my office hours to help with any issues they were facing. With these endeavors, I hope to be making a difference in the learning outcomes of my students." Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, Matt Ackley, a master's student of mathematics teaching calculus, says students' efforts to grasp course material has exceeded his expectations. Ackley's classes this semester have consistently experienced the highest levels of attendance he has witnessed in four semesters of teaching, "and engagement has been similarly high," he says. "In past semesters, preparatory meetings for the course revolved around increasing student engagement and comprehension even when no physical constraints were in place. This semester, it felt like we were reinventing the wheel in this regard; the goal stayed the same while the conversations around it changed dramatically," Ackley says. "The challenge facing us has certainly been more concrete this semester, but I have been glad to see everybody — across both the department and the student body — working together against it." Facilitating learning during the pandemic has been a learning experience for the teaching assistants. Speer says for 13, this semester was their first teaching. "Imagine rebuilding a ship when you are already in the sea. That is how teaching felt like this semester. I spent a lot of time thinking about new ways to make recitations fun again with all the distance and awkwardness," says master's student in teaching student Anupam Raj, who served as a graduate teaching assistant for a calculus course. "This semester has taught me that there is no saturation to creativity and efficiency in teaching. What we perceive as constraints to learning in a normal classroom can always be breached and pushed forward. In 2020, it took a pandemic for me to realize that." Watching the graduate teaching assistants and faculty manage courses during the pandemic has been exciting for Speer, she says, and witnessing students' enthusiasm toward learning despite the different challenges has been rewarding. "It has been very impressive how graduate students have adapted to all of this," Speer says. "Everyone seems to be enthusiastic about making the best of these circumstances." Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

UMaine graduate student receives national award from the American Chemical Society

06 Jan 2021

Md. Ikramul Hasan, a master's student in the School of Forest Resources, is the recipient of a 2021 [Younger Chemist Leadership Development Award](#) from the American Chemical Society (ACS). The award will enable Hasan to attend a leadership development workshop at the ACS's Annual Leaders' Conference. The Society grants 15 of the awards nationwide each year. Applicants are evaluated on the merits of their research and contributions to their field. Hasan, who is co-advised by associate professor of renewable nanomaterials Mehdi Tajvidi and research forest products technologist and cooperating faculty Jinwu Wang, is dedicating his master's research to developing renewable packaging materials made from cellulose nanofibrils derived from wood pulp. The material is remarkably light, strong, absorbent, and may offer solutions to longstanding challenges in industries ranging from food packaging to cosmetics to construction.

UMaine Extension offers business transition workshop for farmers

06 Jan 2021

In response to an unpredictable 2020 growing season, University of Maine Cooperative Extension is offering a three-part series for farmers considering transitions in their business models from 9:30–11:30 a.m. on Jan. 12, 19, and 26. “[Making Money Moves: A Decision-Making Workshop for Farmers](#)” is a discussion-based series designed to help farmers with five or more years of experience running their own farm operation think through those business decisions. Workshop participants will identify strengths and opportunities for improvement, clarify planning and decision-making processes to maximize the return on investment, and work toward identified farm goals. UMaine Extension experts will lead the workshop. The \$30 fee per farm includes up to two participants; registration is required by Jan. 5. Register on the [program webpage](#) to receive the link. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Jason Lilley, 207.781.6099; jason.lilley@maine.edu.

Maine Business School names former nonprofit executive Taylor Ashley new internship coordinator, academic advisor

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The Maine Business School enlisted former nonprofit leader Taylor Ashley to serve as its new internship coordinator and academic advisor. Ashley, the former executive director for the International Friendship Center, which provides social services to Western North Carolina's immigrant community, aims to increase awareness for the internship program among students and businesses and connect with business school alumni to establish connections with their employers. He also hopes to diversify the opportunities available to include small businesses, corporations, nonprofits and international businesses. "I believe my business degrees as well as my experience in the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps uniquely qualify me to build strategic partnerships," Ashley says. The new Maine Business School internship coordinator and academic advisor earned his bachelor's degree in business and MBA from the University of Central Florida. While working for the International Friendship Center, he improved and developed new programs, fundraising and marketing initiatives, and established partnerships with local service providers. "Taylor comes to us with experience creating strong connections for nonprofit organizations," says Faye W. Gilbert, dean of the Maine Business School. "He understands the strengths of business education. And he has the skills to assist our students and potential employers in defining and finding internships that work."

Media advance webinars about cooking with Maine foods

06 Jan 2021

[The Franklin Journal](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar series, “Cooking with the Maine Harvest.” More information is [online](#).

Climate News cites UMaine study in story about trees mitigating effects of climate change

06 Jan 2021

[Climate News Network](#) cited a study by University of Maine researchers in reporting about the worldwide decline of the carbon dioxide fertilization effect. The [study](#), which was authored by UMaine researchers Jacquelyn Gill, Brian McGill and former Ph.D. student Brian Seliger, was published in the Journal of Biogeography.

Mette highlights opportunities to mitigate educational inequity in BDN op-ed

06 Jan 2021

In a [Bangor Daily News](#) op-ed piece, University of Maine associate professor of educational leadership Ian Mette proposed that the pandemic provides opportunities to rethink expectation and improve education by reducing the inequities that affect learning.

\$4.8M will upgrade Forest Bioproducts Research Institute facilities, bolster bioproduct research

07 Jan 2021

The University of Maine Forest Bioproducts Research Institute (FBRI) will upgrade its Technology Research Center (TRC) in Old Town and Process Development Center (PDC) in Jenness Hall to bolster ongoing efforts to create new bioproducts, increase production and find uses for woody biomass materials typically considered waste. The [Defense Logistics Agency](#) (DLA) awarded FBRI \$4.8 million for its research in crafting renewable fuel, heating oil, chemicals, plastics and other goods from woody biomass at a large scale. Institute director Hemant Pendse says his team will invest about \$2 million in processing technology infrastructure improvements for the off-campus TRC facility, as well as the on-campus PDC facility, with the balance supporting ongoing research. Equipment added to TRC, located on the pulp mill site in Old Town, will help researchers process biochar, charcoal derived from the pyrolysis of wood, as well as pre-process biomass. Upgrades at PDC will boost nanocellulose production. “It’s a significant upgrade in our pilot-scale infrastructure,” says Pendse, also a chemical engineering professor. “This significant investment will allow us to rapidly advance development in several major areas of ongoing research.” [caption id="attachment_81591" align="aligncenter" width="750"]



FBRI staff and a student discussing the

50 liter batch reactor for Thermal Deoxygenation (TDO) to produce synthetic crude oil, also called TDO Oil from mixed-acid salts, in 2012. This was used to produce the first jet fuel samples by upgrading TDO Oil. New equipment at PDC will allow the production of nano-fibrillated cellulose starting with wood chips or sawdust particles. Currently, PDC produces nanocellulose from pulp, and the ability to make the substance from coarse wood particles will help divert lumber byproducts from the waste stream. “Nanocellulose, liberated from wood, has unique properties that make it ideal for use in sustainable packaging and many other applications when looking for alternatives to fossil-fuel based chemicals,” says Colleen Walker, PDC director. “This new equipment highlights UMaine’s position as being the heart of [Nanocellulose Valley](#) — the unrivaled center for nanocellulose innovation.” The new tools also will help FBRI create a variety of organic acids from woody biomass such as sawdust, and assess the prospects for beneficial uses of biochar, which is typically viewed as a waste byproduct. Biochar has potential for application as a carbon-sequestering additive in both soil (to improve soil quality) and concrete (to improve strength and permeability).



Jamie Harsgreaves, SynCOPP manager working on the paddle dryer.

An enhanced facility will help institute researchers simulate the commercial-scale production of a variety of biobased goods, particularly biomass-derived jet fuel and diesel. Amy Luce, TRC manager, says, “The updates will allow FBRI to streamline and integrate the processing between multiple pilot plants at the off-

campus Technology Research Center and the Process Development Center on campus, collect data on the manufacturing technologies for different co-products, and study and tackle material handling issues. Students will be able to use these top-quality tools to advance their education in engineering, materials processing, process control and other related fields.” The FBRI team expects to procure the equipment by mid-2021, and Pendse hopes to have a demonstration for the updated facility within the next two years. Pendse will serve as principal investigator for the initiative, while Luce and Walker will serve as co-principal investigators. “To me, it’s exciting that we could do many things at the same time,” Pendse says about the multiple upgrades. “To make progress in this field, that’s what we need.” The institute aims to demonstrate that forest-based products can be manufactured at a commercial scale to replace fossil-fuel derived counterparts and inspire the creation of a biorefinery in Maine. Other goals include supporting new revenue streams for pulp and paper and building product makers and providing options for repurposing brownfield sites. FBRI is actively engaged with Maine’s forest industry stakeholders and is a key collaborator in Forest Opportunity Roadmap / Maine (FOR/Maine), a coalition focused on identifying new markets for Maine wood products and advancing technology innovations to commercialize new uses of wood. The institute’s work is supported by the Maine Economic Improvement Fund. Several federal agencies have contributed a cumulative \$48 million toward the research enterprise of the institute, including the NSF, Department of Energy, Department of Transportation and U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Defense Logistics Agency awarded an overall \$22.9 million toward the institute over the years through its Energy Readiness program. FBRI has been working on multiple contracts for the agency, particularly involving the production of its TDO-derived, biobased jet fuel and oil. “DLA has been a great supporter,” Pendse says. “It’s helped us over the last few years with a substantial infusion of investments that have really accelerated our ability to undertake the entire enterprise.” Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

UMaine Extension offers online updates for agricultural industry Jan. 13

07 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer two online updates with information specific to the agricultural industry 7–8 p.m. Jan. 13. “Recognizing Herbicide Injury in Potatoes” will be presented by North Dakota State University Extension potato agronomist Andy Robinson, followed by “The Steps Used in ELISA Tests” with University of Maine School of Biology and Ecology assistant scientist Aaron Buzza. The cost is \$5; registration is required to receive the link. Register on the [event webpage](#). Participants can earn one pesticide recertification credit and one CCA credit. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.554.4374 or stevenj@maine.edu.

Spire invites submissions for online conservation journal

07 Jan 2021

Spire: the Maine Journal of Conservation and Sustainability invites submissions for the fifth issue of the online journal planned for spring 2021. [Issue 4](#), released in April 2020, is online. Editor Clinton Spaulding, a University of Maine communication and media ecology doctoral student, says the editorial staff seeks to include voices from a diverse range of people throughout Maine and the Northeast to join its mission to galvanize action for conservation and sustainability by promoting impactful, awareness-raising dialogue. Submissions should in some way concern the environment, conservation and/or sustainability — whether it’s current developments, ongoing issues, scientific findings or artistic insights on environmental themes. Work that can broadly be connected to Maine is encouraged. Visit the Spire [website](#) to explore past issues to see the range of work included in the journal, as well as submission [guidelines](#). Deadline for submissions is Feb. 1. Send submissions and questions, including about how to join the Spire team, to spire@maine.edu.

Call for proposals to support cultural events

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The Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Committee is accepting grant applications from the University of Maine community. Requests for support for virtual programming and events are highly encouraged. Grants support up to 50% of expenses associated with cultural events that enhance the artistic, cultural and intellectual life of UMaine. The CA/DLS committee accepts applications four times a year. The next application deadline is Jan. 25 for projects starting on or after Feb. 22. Proposals must be submitted online using the [CA/DLS Grant Application Form](#). Past awards have supported lectures, Culturefest, the International Dance Festival, exhibits, performances and guest artists. More information about the Cultural Affairs and Distinguished Lecture Series, including grant guidelines, are [online](#).

UMaine Extension starts new online cooking series Jan. 12

07 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer a new series of webinars about cooking with Maine foods from 2–2:45 p.m. every other Tuesday beginning Jan. 12. The series will continue through the spring. “[Cooking with the Maine Harvest](#)” topics include cooking with unusual Maine vegetables, making savory harvest pies, cooking with an electric pressure cooker, and reducing food waste in the home kitchen. Instructors will demonstrate recipes in an interactive format. Registration is required; a \$5 donation per session is optional. Register on the [program webpage](#) to receive the link and resources. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Kate McCarty, 207.781.6099; kate.mccarty@maine.edu.

Media promote agricultural updates Jan. 13

07 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), [The Irregular](#) and the [Daily Bulldog](#) advanced two online updates from the University of Maine Cooperative Extension at 7 p.m. Jan. 13. “[Recognizing Herbicide Injury in Potatoes](#)” will be presented by North Dakota State University Extension potato agronomist Andy Robinson, followed by “The Steps Used in ELISA Tests” with University of Maine School of Biology and Ecology assistant scientist Aaron Buzza. More information about the events is [online](#).

Media advance farm food safety planning series

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[The Franklin Journal](#), the [Advertiser Democrat](#), [The Irregular](#), the [Boothbay Register](#), the [Portland Press Herald](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted a new University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar series, “Farm Food Safety Planning Made Simple” 5–6:30 p.m. Feb. 2, 9 and 16. More information about the online series, which is offered in partnership with the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, is [online](#).

Conant talks with Advertiser Democrat, advances 4-H passport virtual club

07 Jan 2021

Sara Conant, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H community education assistant, spoke with the [Advertiser Democrat](#) for a story promoting a new virtual club for children ages 12–18. “4-H Passport Around the World SPIN Club” will meet Tuesdays and Saturdays for six weeks beginning Jan. 19. More information about the club, which will introduce Maine teens to their peers from other countries, is [online](#).

Wahle, Bouchard talk about reducing lobster shrinkage with Hakai Magazine

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Rick Wahle, a University of Maine research professor with the School of Marine Sciences, was interviewed for a story in [Hakai Magazine](#) about testing two new sensor technologies designed to monitor the health of lobsters as they move through the supply chain after capture. Aquatic animal health specialist and assistant professor Deborah Bouchard noted that natural fisheries surveillance of this kind is rare. The project aims to test the MockLobster and C-Hat technologies at six Maine sites, gathering data from an estimated 3,000 lobsters over two years.

Public advances festival presentations by Dagher, Maginnis

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[Public](#) previewed the online 2021 Maine Science Festival, noting presentations by University of Maine faculty Habib Dagher and Melissa Maginnis. Dagher, who is the director of the Advanced Structures and Composites Center, will speak at 1 p.m. on Feb. 16 in a session titled “Offshore Wind: From the UK to Maine.” Maginnis, an associate professor of microbiology and member of the University of Maine System Scientific Advisory Board, will provide an overview of the COVID-19 virus in March at a time to be determined. More information about the festival is [online](#).

Socolow likens storming of the U.S. Capitol to failed coup in Press Herald

07 Jan 2021

Michael Socolow, a University of Maine media historian, talked with the [Portland Press Herald](#) about the storming of the Capitol, comparing it to a failed coup in Spain in 1981. “In both cases, a small group of fanatic armed rebels tried to overthrow established democratic and constitutional norms in favor of authoritarian governance,” said Socolow.

UMaine Extension offers beekeeping classes for novice and experienced beekeepers

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University of Maine Cooperative Extension is offering separate online beekeeping classes for beginner and experienced beekeepers starting Jan. 14 and Feb. 25. The five-session beginning class, for beekeepers with less than one year’s experience, meets from 6–7:30 p.m. Jan 14–Feb. 11. With a focus on the basics of honeybee biology and beekeeping, the class can also act as a refresher for beekeepers going into their first winter. The fee is \$100 per person, with required book; \$70 if required book is purchased elsewhere. Register on the Beginner Beekeeping [webpage](#). The four-session intermediate class, for beekeepers with a minimum of two years’ experience, meets 6–7:30 p.m. Feb. 25–March 18. Focused on effectively managing a hobby apiary in Maine, topics include maximizing colony health, honey production and swarm prevention. The fee is \$150 per person, with required books; \$80 if required books are purchased elsewhere. Register on the Intermediate Beekeeping: Apiary Management [webpage](#). All classes are taught by Eastern Apiculture Society Certified Master Beekeeper Erin MacGregor-Forbes. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.781.6099; rebecca.gray@maine.edu. More information also is available on the program website.

UMaine Extension offers livestock nutrition webinars

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University of Maine Cooperative Extension is hosting a weekly series of five livestock nutrition webinars from noon–1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays from Jan. 13 to Feb. 10. Topics include basic nutrition and feeding needs of small ruminants, beef cattle, pigs and poultry, as well as processing expectations. UMaine Extension assistant professor and livestock specialist Colt Knight leads the workshop series. Windham Butcher Shop is cosponsoring the webinars. Registration is required; a \$5 donation per webinar is optional. Register on the [livestock nutrition webpage](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.781.6099 or rebecca.gray@maine.edu.

UMaine Extension offers webinar on new vegetable varieties for home gardens

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University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Extension will hold an online panel discussion about new vegetable varieties available for Northern New England gardens from 6–7 p.m. Jan. 13. “[Exciting New Vegetable Varieties for Home Gardeners](#)” will feature Mark Hutton, UMaine Extension associate professor and state vegetable specialist; Becky Sideman, UNH Extension professor and sustainable horticulture state specialist; Heron Breen, area coordinator in charge of trials programs for Fedco Seeds; and Lauren Giroux, director of product selection and trialing at Johnny’s Selected Seeds. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or receive a link to the recording. This session is the first in a six-part [winter gardening webinar series](#) to be offered every other Wednesday through March. For more information or to request a reasonable

accommodation, contact Pamela Hargest, 207.781.6099; pamela.hargest@maine.edu.

Hunter's assistance with preserve planning noted in BDN

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The [Bangor Daily News](#) noted that Malcolm Hunter, a professor of wildlife ecology and Libra Professor of Conservation Biology at the University of Maine, will serve as an expert advisor on a group tasked with developing a comprehensive framework plan that will guide the Mount Desert Land & Garden Preserve's management of more than 1,400 acres of lands and gardens.

Sun Journal notes new endowed scholarship fund at UMaine Foundation

08 Jan 2021

The [Sun Journal](#) noted that a new endowed scholarship fund has been established at the University of Maine Foundation. The Maine State Society of Washington, D.C. Foundation, which has managed a scholarship program that recognizes and supports Maine students attending Maine colleges and universities since 1990, has merged with the Maine State Society of Washington D.C., resulting in the new scholarship fund. Members of the foundation will manage the fund as a committee of the Maine State Society of Washington, but the UMaine Foundation will oversee the administrative responsibilities for it.

Media advance lighting for indoor gardening webinar

08 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), [The Irregular](#), [Q106.5](#) FM (Bangor), the [Carriage Towne News](#) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) and the [Rangeley Highlander](#) advanced an upcoming webinar about lighting options for growing indoor plants and seedlings hosted by University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. Anyone interested in attending the webinar, scheduled for 6–7 p.m. Jan. 27, or receiving a link to a recording of it must register [online](#).

WAGM interviews Porter, Tan about developing tools to help create new potato varieties

08 Jan 2021

[WAGM](#) in Presque Isle interviewed Greg Porter, professor of crop ecology and management in the School of Food and Agriculture, and E. Han Tan, assistant professor of plant genetics with the School of Biology and Ecology, about participating in an research team working to develop tools that will help Maine scientists and farmers become more efficient in breeding new cultivars and bringing novel, improved potato varieties to market. "What we're trying to do is develop improved new varieties and – and then make those available so that they can be used to benefit growers and consumers and the industry," Porter said.

Karam's op-ed demanding denouncing of 'coup' published by BDN

08 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) published an op-ed from Gabriel Karam, University of Maine's 2020 Outstanding Graduate Student from the Maine Business School, titled "Republicans must denounce the coup on Capitol Hill."

WABI interviews Riordan about historical context of chaos on Capitol Hill

08 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) interviewed University of Maine history professor Liam Riordan about the historical context of the violence on Capitol Hill. Riordan says the chaos this week reminds him of the presidential race between Rutherford B. Hayes and Samuel Tilden in 1876, during which there were contested ballots from three southern states, and warnings from critics of the patriot movement.

Brewer speaks to News Center, WABI about 25th amendment, impeachment

08 Jan 2021

Mark Brewer spoke with [News Center Maine](#) about the 25th amendment. "I know that invoking the 25th Amendment is logistically possible," the University of Maine professor of political science said. "I know there are some other people talking about removing the president via the impeachment process. That I think would be logistically very difficult to see happening." Brewer was also interviewed by [WABI](#) (Channel 5) about the likelihood of the vice president invoking the 25th amendment.

BDN report on completion of local bridge cites UMaine partnership

11 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported on completion of the Grist Mill bridge in Hampden, which was recently rebuilt using composite beams produced by Advanced Infrastructure Technologies (AIT) of Brewer, a spinoff company affiliated with the Advanced Structures and Composites Center at the University of Maine.

Media advance Zydlowski talk on sturgeon

11 Jan 2021

The [Boothbay Register](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), the [Times Record](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted a virtual lecture by Gayle Zydlewski at 6 p.m. Jan 21 where she will share her research and general information about sturgeon in Maine. More information about this free event, which is sponsored by the Kennebec Estuary Land Trust (KELT), is [online](#).

Media promote Spire solicitation

11 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Associated Press](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted the solicitation of photos, artwork, essays and analysis for the next issue of “Spire: the Maine Journal of Conservation and Sustainability.” Submissions should be related to the environment, conservation or sustainability; work broadly connected to Maine is encouraged. More information about the journal, including submission guidelines, is [online](#). [WGAN](#) News Radio and [U.S. News and World Report](#) shared the AP story.

Keim, Richards cited in Press Herald reports of student challenges during the pandemic

11 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) interviewed Karen Keim, director of the Maine Educational Opportunity Center and Maine Educational Talent Search at the University of Maine, in a story about the economic impact of the pandemic on college students across the state. In a separate [story](#), Christopher Richards, vice president of enrollment management, noted that high school juniors and seniors are experiencing burnout and have been slower to apply to college during the pandemic. Applications to UMaine have dropped by more than 10% as compared to this time last year, mirroring a nationwide trend reported by the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

BDN reports Ashley hired as internship coordinator for Maine Business School

11 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that the University of Maine has appointed Taylor Ashley to serve as the internship coordinator in the Maine Business School. Ashley was previously employed at UMaine as an instructor of the first-year seminar course in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the 2018 and 2019 academic years.

Centralmaine.com interviews Lilley about economic survival of organic farms during the pandemic

11 Jan 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) interviewed Jason Lilley, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension sustainable agriculture professional, about an analysis he and his colleagues conducted that showed sales of organic products had increased slightly during the pandemic. The [Portland Press Herald](#) shared the Centralmaine.com story.

New study identifies immune response biomarkers, novel pathways to support Mollusca aquaculture

11 Jan 2021

Understanding the immune systems of oysters and clams is important in monitoring the effects of pollution and climate change on the health of molluscan species and the potential impacts on the aquaculture industry. Their immune responses also can serve as indicators of changes in ocean environments. A new study involving the University of Maine assessed immune responses in four economically important marine mollusc species — the blue mussel, soft-shell clam, Eastern oyster, and Atlantic jackknife clam — and identified new biomarkers relating to changes in protein function involved in novel regulatory mechanisms of important metabolic and immunological pathways. The discovery will aid further biomarker identification to benefit the aquaculture industry and provides new understanding of how these pathways function in diverse ways in different animal species. “These biomarkers reveal how several different physiological functions can be generated from a single protein sequence. This gives added value to an organism’s physiology,” says Tim Bowden, UMaine associate professor of aquaculture and co-author of the study published as the [cover article](#) in the December 2020 issue of the journal *Biology*. Bowden, a researcher in UMaine’s School of Food and Agriculture and Aquaculture Research Institute, conducted the study with United Kingdom colleagues Igor Kraev of the Open University and Sigrun Lange of the University of Westminster. Oysters and clams play a critical role in the food chain, representing more than 7% of global marine capture fisheries products in 2018, according to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. In the U.S., more than 82% of the 2018 total value for marine aquaculture was derived from clams, mussels and oysters. Understanding molluscan metabolism is a priority based on the role of marine mollusks in global ecosystems and their burgeoning commercial value. In their study of post-translational protein modification, the researchers found that deimination, or conversion of the amino acid arginine into the nonstandard amino acid citrulline, affects multiple pathways involved in immunity, metabolism and gene regulation. Deimination is known to play a role in human diseases such as Alzheimer’s and Parkinson’s. Study findings suggest that the enzymes that regulate deimination in mammals, birds and reptiles, and bacteria, parasites and fungi also are active in molluscan pathways. Peptidylarginine deiminases, or PADs, which had not previously been reported in Mollusca, may in fact serve as a control switch for varied immune and metabolic pathways in Mollusca and across the phylogenetic tree, according to the research team. The researchers documented species-specific variations in the size and distribution of extracellular vesicles (EVs) in the bivalves studied. EVs have multiple functions including transporting proteins, genetic cargoes and biomarkers into cells and mediating host-pathogen interactions, among others. Further investigation of the physiological and immune-related roles of EVs and characterization of the biomarkers they transport is warranted to enhance understanding of regulatory mechanisms and pathways in Mollusca and to support the global aquaculture industry. Contact: Margaret Nagle, nagle@maine.edu

2021 CASE District I Excellence Awards go to UMaine Marketing and Communications, Alumni Association and University of Maine Foundation

11 Jan 2021

The University of Maine Division of Marketing and Communications, the University of Maine Alumni Association and the University of Maine Foundation

were awarded a total of six 2021 Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District I Excellence Awards. [UMaine Today online](#), the magazine website managed by web/print content coordinator Amanda Lozier in Marketing and Communications, received a Silver Excellence Award in the Digital Magazines category. This is the third consecutive year of national and regional awards for UMaine Today online: a CASE 2020 Silver Excellence Award, and district 2020 Silver and 2019 CASE Gold Excellence awards. UMaine photographer and videographer Adam Küykendall received a 2021 Silver Excellence Award for a UMaine Today magazine video and Honorary Mention in Platinum Awards for best photography, both focused on [documenting the songbird habitat research](#) of Amber Roth, assistant professor of forest wildlife management; and a Bronze Excellence Award for a series of photos on the [University Forest](#) for UMaine Today magazine. Since 2017, Küykendall has received CASE District I Excellence Awards annually for his photography and/or videography. The UMaine Alumni Association received a Gold Excellence Award in the Publications Pivot category for the [MAINE Alumni Magazine Special Edition](#) of summer 2020. The University of Maine Foundation received a Bronze Excellence Award in the Special Event Pivot category for the virtual [Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center Groundbreaking](#). Information about all the CASE District I Excellence Awards, including some judges comments, is [online](#).

UMaine Extension 4-H virtual passport club goes global

12 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H is offering a new virtual cultural exchange club for youth ages 12–18 years beginning 4–5 p.m. Jan. 19. Additional meetings will be 9:30–10:30 a.m. Jan. 30, Feb. 13 and Feb. 27; and 4–5 p.m. Feb. 2 and Feb. 16. “[4-H Virtual Passport Around the World](#)” is a UMaine Extension 4-H special interest club designed to introduce young people from different cultural backgrounds to their peers around the world through brief presentations, hands-on activities and discussions. Countries participating in the exchange are Georgia, Poland, Kosovo, Ukraine, Bangladesh and Indonesia. An Extension 4-H volunteer, who is also a volunteer with Greenheart Exchange, a nonprofit international educational exchange organization, will lead the club. The club is free to join; some materials are required from participants for each session. Register and find more information on the [program webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation or discuss financial assistance for required materials, contact Sara Conant, 207.781.6099; sara.conant@maine.edu.

Lilley quoted in WABI story about beekeeping classes

12 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) talked with Jason Lilley, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension sustainable agriculture professional, about the new UMaine Extension beekeeping webinar series that begins Jan. 14. More information about the series, which will benefit new and experienced apiarists, is [online](#).

VillageSoup promotes Cammen presentation on pinnipeds in Maine waterways

12 Jan 2021

[VillageSoup](#) advanced a free online seminar by Kristina Cammen, a University of Maine assistant professor of marine sciences, at noon Jan. 19. Cammen’s presentation will provide information on the biology, ecology and health of Maine’s resident seal populations, with a focus on recent research on seals in the Penobscot River. More information about the webinar is [online](#).

Mainebiz, BDN report on \$4.8 million grant for bioproduct development

12 Jan 2021

[Mainebiz](#) picked up a University of Maine news release highlighting an award of \$4.8 million from the Defense Logistics Agency Energy Readiness Program to UMaine’s Forest Bioproducts Research Institute (FBRI). According to Hemant Pendse, FBRI director, the grant will support significant facility upgrades and continuing research into the development of novel products, including alternative fuels, from woody biomass. The [Bangor Daily News](#) also reported on the award.

Center Square, Machias Valley Observer cites UMaine study of economic impact of snowmobiling

12 Jan 2021

In covering the state’s outdoor recreation economy, [The Center Square](#) and the [Machias Valley News Observer](#) cited a [2020 report](#) on the impact of snowmobiling in Maine, which was co-authored by University of Maine student Ian Hathaway with Jessica Leahy and Mindy Crandall, faculty in the School of Forest Resources. The [Washington Examiner](#) shared the Center Square story.

Rosenbaum joins Maine Public discussion of political polarization in the US

12 Jan 2021

Judith Rosenbaum, University of Maine associate professor and chair of the Department of Communication and Journalism, appeared this week on [Maine Calling](#), as part of an episode examining the historical and sociological roots of America’s growing polarization, and how it is tied not only to politics, but to people’s deeper sense of identity.

Media cite Daley, Sorg report on Maine drug deaths

12 Jan 2021

In coverage of 2020 drug related deaths in the state, the [Associated Press](#), [Maine Public](#), [News Center Maine](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) cited a report prepared by University of Maine Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center researchers Kiley Daley and Marcella Sorg. [SEGate](#) shared the AP story. Daley is a research associate; Sorg is a forensic anthropologist with a research faculty appointment, who also serves Maine’s chief medical examiner. The 2020 “Maine

Drug Death Report” notes a significant increase in the number of drug related deaths, which is being attributed, in part, to isolation resulting from the pandemic. [WVII](#) (Channel 7) also interviewed Sorg about the 2020 report.

News Center talks with LaRochelle, Vekasi about letter supporting Trump’s removal

12 Jan 2021

[News Center Maine](#) interviewed University of Maine faculty Ryan LaRochelle and Kristin Vekasi about a letter from political scientists and government professors across the U.S. asking Congress and the vice president to invoke the 25th amendment to remove the president from office immediately. LaRochelle is a lecturer in leadership studies and public service; Vekasi is an associate professor of political science. UMaine professor of political science Amy Fried also signed the letter, which was penned by two Dartmouth College professors following the storming of the Capitol last week.

WVII interviews Brewer about current political climate in US

12 Jan 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with Mark Brewer, a University of Maine professor of political science, about the political climate in the U.S. following last week’s storming of the Capitol. “The Civil War is an outlier at the high end. This might be the low point besides that,” Brewer said.

UMaine launches graduate program in data science and engineering

13 Jan 2021

The University of Maine will offer a new graduate program for aspiring and practicing data science and engineering professionals starting in spring 2021. The first-of-its-kind in Maine DSE program, which draws upon faculty and courses from across UMaine and other University of Maine System campuses, is designed to accommodate students from a wide range of backgrounds. It also offers options for specialization in domains such as spatial informatics, bioinformatics, engineering analytics, and social and behavioral data science. The transdisciplinary data science and engineering program meets the growing demand for graduates with core skills in managing and analyzing complex data and analytics challenges. It provides pathways for students from diverse fields to transition to multiple data science and engineering careers with core graduate-level courses across the spectrum of the data life cycle. The 30-credit Master of Science, which can be completed online or on-campus, will train students in the management, analysis and visualization of large and complex data sets. A 15-credit graduate certificate also can be completed online or on-campus. A four-plus-one option is available to qualifying undergraduate students in any UMaine degree program, enabling them to complete their bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree in DSE in five years. “The multiple paths to graduation make the new program highly flexible in meeting individual student needs,” says Harlan Onsrud, UMaine professor of spatial computing. “Our students will have the opportunity to become familiar with various data science, data mining, data engineering, business analytics, machine learning and artificial intelligence topics. Computer programming, statistics germane to data science, and systems knowledge may be picked up as part of the program if applicants don’t already have these foundations.” As a host of new technologies (advanced computer modeling, smart sensor networks, high-precision lab instruments, wireless telecommunications, smart devices and social media) generate data collections at unprecedented rates, data science and engineering has become a critical field for the 21st century, addressing the challenges of capturing, curating, managing, processing, analyzing and translating massive, complex and dynamic data into manageable forms, new information and insights. The private, public and research sectors rely heavily on data science and engineering to better understand phenomena and guide decision-making. The advanced knowledge gained through graduate-level data science and engineering programs is needed across a wide range of commercial, nonprofit, government and academic settings. More information about UMaine’s data science and engineering graduate programs is [online](#). Contact: Harlan Onsrud, harlan.onsrud@maine.edu

Media advance accounting for farms webinar series

13 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), [The Irregular](#), [Centralmaine.com](#) and [The Franklin Journal](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension workshop series, “Quick Books for Farms,” which will be held Feb. 15, 17, 22 and 24. The webinars, which are offered in partnership with the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE), will cover the basic principles of accounting in Quick Books including tracking sales, invoicing, payments, expenses, and reporting functions. For more information, call 207.570.2868 or email christina.howard@maine.edu. [Spot on Maine](#) shared the Centralmaine.com story.

Centralmaine.com reports on Top Gun class of 2021

13 Jan 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) reported that the Maine Center for Entrepreneurs and partners, including the University of Maine, have selected 32 small businesses who will receive support and mentorship to launch and grow their companies.

Onsrud talks with BDN about new data science and engineering graduate program

13 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) interviewed Harlan Onsrud, a University of Maine professor of spatial computing, about a new transdisciplinary graduate program that offers a 30-credit Master of Science and a 15-credit graduate certificate in data science and engineering (DSE). This is the first DSE program in Maine, and is intended to address the growing need for expertise across a wide range of commercial, nonprofit, government and academic settings.

'Being Black in Maine' webinar offered by Greater Bangor Area Branch NAACP, UMaine Alumni Association for Martin Luther King Day

14 Jan 2021

In recognition of Martin Luther King Day, a free online public webinar, “Being Black in Maine: Lived Experience and the Prospect for Change,” will be livestreamed on YouTube on Jan. 18 from 5 to 6:15 p.m. The webinar, co-sponsored by the Greater Bangor Area Branch NAACP and the University of Maine Alumni Association, will include a sustained panel discussion, relevant short presentations and a special announcement of a new civil rights speaker series. The YouTube event can be viewed at: <https://youtu.be/zQIUVCa2ReM>. The panel discussion will include individuals who currently work or go to school in the state. The panel will be preceded by remarks from Michael Alpert, president of the Greater Bangor Area Branch NAACP; Joan Ferrini-Mundy, president of the University of Maine and the University of Maine at Machias; and Jojo Oliphant, a member of the UMaine Alumni Association. The program also includes presentations by UMaine alumnus and racial equity and justice educator David Patrick and UMaine student Tessa Solomon. During the event, Alpert and John Diamond, president and CEO of the Alumni Association, will announce the establishment of the annual Robert Talbot Civil Rights Speaker Series. Named in honor of the longtime Maine civil rights leader from Bangor, the series will be held each fall on the UMaine campus and will feature one or more nationally prominent speakers. Contact: Michael Alpert, alpert@maine.edu; John Diamond, diamond@maine.edu

Walker Thomas: Recent KPE grad is ‘outstanding future professional’

14 Jan 2021

SHAPE America, the Society for Health and Physical Educators, has recognized recent University of Maine graduate Walker Thomas of Sidney, Maine as an outstanding future professional. Thomas, a first-generation college student, earned a bachelor’s degree in kinesiology and physical education with a concentration in teaching and coaching, and health education, in December 2020. He will represent the Eastern District of the United States at this year’s [SHAPE America](#) National Convention, to be held virtually in April. “To be selected out of so many other deserving candidates was a very satisfying moment,” says Thomas. “It felt like all of the classes and years of hard work that I put in during my four years at UMaine had come to fruition.” SHAPE America’s Eastern District stretches from Maine to Maryland, and Thomas is just the fourth UMaine student in the past four decades to represent the region as an outstanding future professional. “UMaine is a major reason I was selected,” Thomas says. “All of the professors and staff, especially in the School of Kinesiology, Physical Education and Athletic Training, always pushed me and my peers to put forth our best effort.” Thomas joined the National Guard two years ago and was recently accepted a full-time job with the guard in Maine. He plans to coach youth sports and perhaps become a teacher once his time in the guard has ended. **Why UMaine?** Although I grew up in Maine, I always planned on going out of state and exploring the world a little bit. While I was in my college search, I visited 10 different schools in Florida, South Carolina, Wisconsin and Massachusetts. However at each campus I visited, there just seemed to be something missing. My mom talked me into going to see UMaine, and I agreed hesitantly. It ended up being the best decision I made in my life up until that point. As soon as I stepped foot on UMaine’s campus I knew that this was the place I wanted to spend the next four-plus years of my life. That feeling of something missing wasn’t there when I went to UMaine. There was this sense of family, security and community that I fell in love with, and from that day forward I knew I was meant to be a Black Bear. **How would you describe the academic atmosphere at UMaine?** Throughout my academics at UMaine I have always felt like I was treated as a human being and more than just a number. The professors truly care about their students’ well-being beyond academics. **Have you worked closely with a mentor, professor or role model who made your UMaine experience better, and if so, who and how?** Lecturer in kinesiology and physical education Jesse Kaye-Schiess has been a mentor, a professor, a supervisor and a friend. Jesse is very enthusiastic about physical education, teaching and being a mentor to all. Through the years if I ever needed to talk about anything, academically or personally, I knew I could book an appointment and have his undivided attention for the duration of the meeting. **Have you had an experience at UMaine — either academically or socially — that changed or shaped the way you see the world?** I’m not sure that I have had one single experience at UMaine that has made me see the world differently, but instead the culmination of a lot of little experiences. For example, I have met some lifelong best friends at UMaine. I have developed my own understanding of the world, and have had social experiences that I would have never experienced somewhere else. Finally, I have found my calling in teaching and helping the future generations of our society and world. **Have you participated in any internships or field experience related to your major? Tell us about them and how your experience in the classroom helped prepare you.** I did my semester-long student teaching at Messalonskee High School. It was one the most influential experiences in my undergraduate career. During this experience, I took everything I had been learning for the past three-and-a-half years and put it in action each and everyday for 15 weeks. My coursework at UMaine gave me the knowledge and the confidence I needed to thrive in my placement. I found that I wasn’t searching for information, because I already had the knowledge needed to solve a lot of problems. That to me shows that the work and the preparation that our professors have us do in class has a lot of real-world application and a ton of meaning. **What difference has UMaine made in your life?** UMaine has made a huge difference in my life, from academics to personal enlightenment and growth. The list could go on. However, if I could pinpoint the biggest difference UMaine has made in my life it would be giving me the confidence to push the limits that I put on myself. **Describe UMaine in one word.** Family. Contact: Casey Kelly, casey.kelly@maine.edu

UMaine Extension offers free webinars on selling meat, poultry in Maine

14 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (MDACF) will offer two free webinars for producers interested in selling packaged meat and poultry direct to consumers. The session for livestock producers is Jan. 20; for poultry producers, the session is Jan 21. Both webinars are scheduled for 11 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Topics include market options and time of sale, inspections and licensing, processing and value-added products. Speakers include UMaine Extension livestock specialist Colt Knight, Extension professor Donna Coffin, Maine state veterinarian Dr. Jennifer Eberly and MDACF inspection process analyst coordinator Michelle Newbegin. Additional speakers include Barry Higgins, co-owner of Maple Lane Farms in Charleston; Kelby Young, co-owner of Olde Haven Farm in Chelsea; and Scott Greaney, co-owner of Greaney Turkey Farm in Mercer. The webinars are free; registration is required. Register on the [event webpage](#) to receive the link to join. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Donna Coffin, 207.564.3301; donna.coffin@maine.edu.

Centralmaine.com covers Lee food waste program pitch to Winslow board

14 Jan 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) reported that Susanne Lee, faculty fellow at the University of Maine’s Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions, proposed a food waste collection pilot program to the Winslow Town Council. Lee noted that Maine ranks 12th for food insecurity among U.S. states, yet food comprises 30% of the state’s solid waste.

WVH interviews Ferrini-Mundy about statewide ‘On Track for College’ program

14 Jan 2021

[WVU](#) (Channel 7) interviewed University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy about efforts to connect Maine's high school students with Maine colleges and to help them navigate the application process through a new statewide "On Track for College" program. [WABI](#) (Channel 5), [Maine Public](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), the [Portland Press Herald](#) and [News Center Maine](#) also reported on the new program, which will launch in February.

Crawley to join 'Maine Calling' program about state economic outlook

15 Jan 2021

Andrew Crawley, an assistant professor of regional economic development, will participate in a "[Maine Calling](#)" discussion about the 2021 economic outlook for Maine. The program will air at 11 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 15. Yellow Light Breen, president and CEO of the Maine Development Foundation, and Gary Vogel, past president of the Maine Real Estate & Development Association, will also take part in the discussion.

Academics Sanchez, Bracey to discuss impact of Black studies

15 Jan 2021

In honor of Black History Month, the University of Maine Black Student Union and the University of Maine Alumni Association will welcome Sonia Sanchez and John Bracey to discuss the relevance and impact of Black Studies in 21st century higher education at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28 over Zoom. Register for the free, public event at tinyurl.com/BlackStudies21. "Black Studies in 21st Century Higher Education" also will be livestreamed on the UMaine Alumni [YouTube channel](#). Sanchez and Bracey were among the intellectuals who initiated the movement for Black studies in the 1970s. Reflecting on their decades-long commitment to, and work toward, racial justice in academic and community spaces, they will discuss the present moment of "racial reckoning," as it has been dubbed in the media. Sanchez and Bracey will talk about the history of Black Studies, current urgencies and the relevance of Black knowledge, creativity and spirituality in higher education. The talk is intended as a space for connection, reflection, and inspiration, echoing Sanchez's invitation from her poem "Catch the Fire": CATCH YOUR FIRE...DON'T KILL HOLD YOUR FIRE...DON'T KILL LEARN YOUR FIRE...DON'T KILL BE THE FIRE...DON'T KILL Catch the fire and burn with eyes that see our souls: WALKING. SINGING. BUILDING. LAUGHING. LEARNING. LOVING. TEACHING. BEING. Here is my hand. Catch the fire...and live. Live. Livelive. Livelive. Live. Live. The conversation will begin with an address by University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and will feature some of Sanchez's poetry. In addition to the dialogue between Sanchez and Bracey, there will be time for attendees to ask questions. Sanchez is a key figure in the Black Arts Movement, a multi-award-winning poet, activist and an academic who has impacted the fights for gender rights, racial justice and peace around the world. Bracey is a former chair and current graduate certificate co-director at the W.E.B. Du Bois Department of Afro-American Studies at the University of Massachusetts Amherst and an award-winning academic and activist. The university recognizes that it is located on Marsh Island in the homeland of the Penobscot Nation, where issues of water and territorial rights, and encroachment upon sacred sites, are ongoing. Penobscot homeland is connected to the other Wabanaki Tribal Nations — the Passamaquoddy, Maliseet, and Micmac — through kinship, alliances and diplomacy. The university also recognizes that the Penobscot Nation and the other Wabanaki Tribal Nations are distinct, sovereign, legal and political entities with their own powers of self-governance and self-determination. This event is supported, in part, by a grant from the Cultural Affairs/ Distinguished Lecture Series Fund, McGillicuddy Humanities Center, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and departments of Anthropology, Communication and Journalism, Native American Studies, Political Science, Sociology and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. For more information, contact Lauren Babb, Black Student Union adviser, at lauren.babb@maine.edu.

2021 UMaine Student Symposium collecting submissions

15 Jan 2021

Abstract submissions for the 2021 University of Maine Student Symposium on April 16 are now being accepted. The UMaine Student Symposium, which will be held virtually this year, is a campuswide celebration of achievement in student research and creative activity. Participants will present their research and creative activity through video presentations, which will be judged by faculty, staff and community sponsors. Any student from UMaine or the University of Maine at Machias interested in presenting their work must submit their abstracts via an [online form](#) by March 10. More information about the [event](#) and [submitting abstracts](#) can be found online.

Maine Public cites UMaine hospitality study in restaurant story

15 Jan 2021

[Maine Public](#) cited a [study](#) from University of Maine economists in a story titled "Maine Restaurants Beef Up Outdoor Dining Spaces To Survive Wintertime." According to the study, taxable sales for the Maine hospitality industry decreased 34% between the periods of January–July of last year and January–July of 2019.

New certificate in research, innovation and strategy offers students experiential learning opportunities

15 Jan 2021

University of Maine students can now obtain an interdisciplinary credential designed to help meet the needs of 21st-century employers. The Certificate in Research Innovation and Strategy (CRIS) was developed as part of UMaine's [Experiential Program Innovation Central \(EPIC\)](#), which fosters collaboration among UMaine research and experiential learning centers. Four pathways for the College of Engineering are now available, allowing students to tailor the content of the program to their field of study. Pathways in business, liberal arts and natural sciences are under development. The initial certificate course, INT 125, will be offered from 2–5 p.m. Fridays beginning Jan. 29. The first 10 students to register will receive a \$900 scholarship for the course. The certificate requires the completion of four courses. More information is on the [CRIS webpage](#), or by contacting Ali Abedi, associate vice president for research and director of the Center for Undergraduate Research, or Elisabeth Maberry, director of operations for the Division of Lifelong Learning. The CRIS program is designed to complement a student's core curriculum and provide tangible skills to meet the needs of employers. Participants gain hands-on experience in UMaine research centers, and understanding of changing and emerging technologies to creatively solve problems. They also learn ways to articulate knowledge clearly and effectively in real-world work settings. "Students with this certificate become desirable candidates for the employers, showing their

research, strategy, innovation and communication skills under a single certificate,” says Abedi. EPIC engages multiple UMaine research centers to promote undergraduate student research, advance scholarship and creative activity, and support innovation by leveraging available resources and expertise to create unique experiential learning experiences. Participating centers include the Center for Undergraduate Research, Advanced Manufacturing Center, Advanced Structures and Composites Center, Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning, Foster Center for Student Innovation, and Innovative Media Research and Commercialization (IMRC) Center. The Division of Lifelong Learning is working with the UMaine colleges to create pathways and implement the CRIS curriculum across majors. Contact: Margaret Nagle, nagle@maine.edu

UMaine students build website with outdoor resources for teachers

19 Jan 2021

Students in the University of Maine’s outdoor leadership program have created a [website](#) that K–12 teachers can use to plan outdoor lessons and activities. The site features videos, quizzes, slideshows and other resources produced by UMaine students on topics ranging from mountain biking and wilderness survival to outdoor ethics issues, such as planning trips that leave no trace. The resources were developed in the Advanced Methods of Instructing Outdoor Activities course during the fall 2019 and 2020 semesters. Instructor Lauren Jacobs, UMaine lecturer of outdoor leadership, says the idea is for students in the outdoor leadership program to add to and build upon the resources in future years. Launched in 2017, the outdoor leadership program is part of the UMaine College of Education and Human Development’s School of Kinesiology, Physical Education and Athletic Training. Contact: Lauren Jacobs, lauren.jacobs@maine.edu

Witter Center’s dairy herd ranked fourth in the nation, best in New England

19 Jan 2021

The herd of Holsteins at the University of Maine’s J.F. Witter Teaching and Research Center was ranked fourth among U.S. colleges and universities by the Holstein Association for its [2020 Top Breed Age Average](#). The designation places the Witter Center’s herd at the top among New England colleges and universities. Breed Age Average compares the characteristics of an animal or herd to the breed’s average for an animal of similar age and stage of lactation. The Witter Center’s ranking is a product of careful stewardship of the herd’s breeding program, which has led to new additions that increase the center’s score as they mature into milking age.

WABI talks with Strout about nursing students administering COVID-19 vaccines

19 Jan 2021

Kelley Strout, associate professor and director of the University of Maine School of Nursing, talked with [WABI](#) (Channel 5) about UMaine students administering COVID-19 vaccines. “We’re planning to deploy 108 senior nursing students who have already gone through our laboratory courses and had laboratory training on IM injection,” Strout said, noting that many of the students have already administered vaccines. [WMTW](#) (Channel 8 in Portland) shared the WABI story.

Media advance webinar about importance of Black Studies in higher education

19 Jan 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted an upcoming webinar, “Black Studies in 21st Century Higher Education,” scheduled for 6 p.m. on Jan. 28. The free Zoom event, which is co-sponsored by the University of Maine Black Student Union and the University of Maine Alumni Association, will feature Sonia Sanchez and John Bracey, co-founders of the 1970s movement advocating for Black studies. More information about the event is available [online](#).

BDN interviews Daigneault about forest management, carbon offsets

19 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) interviewed Adam Daigneault, the E.L. Giddings Assistant Professor of Forest, Conservation and Recreation Policy at the University of Maine, about the growing carbon offset market and the need to actively manage forests to maximize carbon sequestration.

WABI speaks with Diamond about launch of new civil rights speaker series

19 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) talked with John Diamond, president and CEO of the University of Maine Alumni Association, for coverage of a Martin Luther King Jr. Day webinar co-hosted by the Alumni Association and the Greater Bangor Area Branch of the NAACP. During the webinar, “Being Black in Maine: Lived Experience and the Prospect for Change,” Diamond announced the fall launch of the [Robert Talbot Civil Rights Speakers Series](#). The [Boothbay Register](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) previously advanced the Zoom event honoring Martin Luther King Jr. [WVII](#) also reported on the webinar.

Rezk talks with WVII about drug overdose app

19 Jan 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) interviewed University of Maine student Alexander Rezk about OD-ME, an app that coaches people through the administration of the overdose reversal drug naloxone. Rezk, who works at the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, is part of the team of students who designed the app in partnership with the Maine Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Behavioral Health.

Maine Public, Press Herald cite Ferrini-Mundy in story about increased COVID-19 testing

19 Jan 2021

[Maine Public](#) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) cited University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy in a story about enhanced coronavirus testing plans for the spring semester. UMaine will test on-campus students and staff weekly beginning Jan. 25 via a mobile lab located on campus that will provide results in 12 hours. [The County](#) reported on the mobile testing lab and the reduced turnaround time for results. [News Center Maine](#) and [Q106.5 FM \(Bangor\)](#) also reported on the plan to increase testing.

Bee visitation study supports Maine's wild blueberry industry

20 Jan 2021

According to a new University of Maine study, a natural way to support Maine's wild blueberry industry is to cultivate plants popular with bees such as butterfly weed, starflower, summer sweet, sweet clover and swamp rose. Recent declines in wild native bee populations have garnered global attention, particularly in Maine where blueberry growers depend on bees to pollinate their crops. While bumblebees (*Bombus* spp.) are recognized as the most effective pollinators of wild blueberries, Maine growers are increasingly relying on *Apis mellifera*, a non-native bee, to pollinate their fields. Establishing bee reservoirs to provide forage when the blueberries are not in bloom is one strategy that could benefit Maine's native bumblebees while sustaining an economically important agricultural industry. To ensure that bee reservoirs are effective, University of Maine assistant research professor Alison Dibble led a four-year study designed to assess the appeal of plantings to native and other bees. The study, conducted in collaboration with UMaine researchers Frank Drummond and Lois Stack, measured the relative attractiveness of nearly 90 species of annuals, perennials and shrubs at four Maine garden sites where bee populations had previously been established. Observations of insect activity were made for plants with one or more open flowers during weekly sampling from June–August, noting bee species, time of day and weather conditions. While the researchers found that the bees exhibited no distinct diurnal foraging patterns and marginal foraging fidelity to the plants in the experimental garden plots, data analysis identified 36 plant taxa as attractive to bees in general. Of all species observed, the plants most visited by bees were *Asclepias tuberosa*, *Borago officinalis*, *Clethra alnifolia* cv. Hummingbird, *Melilotus officinalis*, *Origanum vulgare*, *Rosa palustris*, *Spiraea alba* var. latifolia, and taxa in the family Asteraceae. Observations indicate that each bee group (honeybees, bumblebees, etc.) had distinct preferences among the plant species tested. The most-visited plants by month were *M. officinalis* in June, *A. tuberosa* in July and *C. alnifolia* in August. Contact: Joan Perkins, joan.perkins@maine.edu

Boss named Fellow of The Oceanography Society

20 Jan 2021

University of Maine professor of oceanography Emmanuel Boss, an internationally recognized researcher in ocean biogeochemistry and phytoplankton ecology, has been selected as a Fellow of The Oceanography Society. Boss was cited for his “contributions to and his leadership in ocean optics and its use in mapping biogeochemical processes in the ocean, for his inspirational teaching, and for his unwavering commitment to service and mentoring of young scientists.” The society's Fellows program recognizes individuals who have attained eminence in oceanography through their outstanding contributions to the field of oceanography or its applications during a substantial period of years. A news release from The Oceanography Society is [online](#). Boss, who joined the UMaine community in 2002, directs the Maine In-situ Sound & Color Lab in the School of Marine Sciences. The laboratory specializes in the interpretation of physical properties of aquatic environments — testing, calibrating and deploying a variety of sensors that measure optical properties. Through his research, he and his team have developed new methods to use acoustical and optical properties — both from remote sensing and in-situ sensors — to quantify and characterize oceanic particulate materials. In addition to his work in marine sciences and aquaculture in the Gulf of Maine, Boss has participated in numerous research expeditions throughout the oceans of the world, including the Arctic, North Atlantic and North Pacific. He and Lee Karp-Boss, also a professor in the School of Marine Sciences, have been serving as coordinators for the Tara Oceans expedition since 2012; his instrumentation has been on board since 2009. Boss' teaching and outreach includes popular courses and workshops in ocean optics that attract students from throughout the world to UMaine's Darling Marine Center.

UMaine Extension, UNH Extension offer lighting options for indoor growing webinar Jan. 27

20 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Extension will offer a webinar about lighting options for growing indoor plants and seedlings from 6–7 p.m. Jan. 27. “[Optimizing Plant Growth with Indoor Lighting](#)” for home gardeners will discuss the different properties of light, how plants use it and how artificial light can improve indoor growing conditions. UNH Extension field specialist Jonathan Ebba will lead the workshop. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or receive a link to the recording. This is the second in a six-part [winter gardening webinar series](#) offered every other Wednesday through March. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Pamela Hargest, 207.781.6099; pamela.hargest@maine.edu.

BDN promotes Extension beekeeping resources

20 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) cited University of Maine Cooperative Extension online resources for apiarists in a story about preparing for the upcoming beekeeping season.

VillageSoup, Advertiser Democrat advance online critical thinking workshop

20 Jan 2021

[VillageSoup](#) and the [Advertiser Democrat](#) advanced an online critical thinking workshop, “Engaging your Critical Thinking Skills,” scheduled for 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Feb. 19 and 26. The series is offered through the University of Maine Hutchinson Center in partnership with the Maine Business School. More information is available on the Hutchinson Center [website](#).

WABI cites UMaine Center on Aging in hospice care report

20 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) mentioned the University of Maine Center on Aging in a story intended to raise awareness of local hospice care services and resources.

BDN quotes Fernandez in reporting impact of carbon offset programs in Maine

20 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) talked with Ivan Fernandez, University of Maine professor of soil science and forest resources, about the complexities of the carbon offset market and the impact of selling carbon credits on climate change. The [Piscataquis Observer](#) shared the BDN story.

Pershing study cited in BBC story about whales' role in carbon sequestration

20 Jan 2021

The [BBC](#) cited a study by Andrew Pershing, a University of Maine marine scientist affiliated with the Climate Change Institute, in reporting about the role of whaling in releasing carbon into the atmosphere and how restoring whale populations could be a powerful tool for addressing climate change through carbon sequestration.

News Center talks with Ranco about impact of emerald ash borer on Native culture

20 Jan 2021

[News Center Maine](#) interviewed Darren Ranco, a University of Maine associate professor and chair of Native American programs, about proposed changes in management tactics for the emerald ash borer (EAB). According to Ranco, founding member of the EAB Ash Task Force, the insect pest is as great a threat to Native well-being as it is to Maine's ash trees.

Media cover development of outdoor learning website by UMaine students

20 Jan 2021

The [Associated Press](#), [WVII](#) (Channel 7), [WABI](#) (Channel 5) and [Q106.5 FM](#) reported that a group of University of Maine students in the outdoor leadership program have created a website that teachers can use to plan outdoor lessons and learning activities for K–12 students. [The San Francisco Chronicle](#), the [Huron Daily Tribune](#) and [U.S. News and World Report](#) shared the AP story.

Press Herald profiles Ferrini-Mundy in advance of March 12 interview

20 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) published a profile of Joan Ferrini-Mundy, president of the University of Maine and the University of Maine Machias, to advance a March 12 "Like a Boss" live Q&A business event. More information about the event, which begins at 1 p.m., is [online](#).

UMaine Extension virtual wild blueberry conference offers 17 biweekly sessions

21 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will host a virtual wild blueberry conference offering 17 biweekly sessions from 4–6 p.m. starting Jan. 27 and running through March 24. Additional sessions are scheduled from noon–2 p.m. Jan. 29–March 19. Conference topics include research updates on pollination, water, pest and disease management; business opportunities and technology use; and updates from the Maine Wild Blueberry Commission. UMaine Extension and University of Maine educators and researchers, and industry experts will lead the conference sessions. The conference is free; registration is required for each session. Register and find the full schedule on the [event webpage](#). Pesticide credits will be available. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Mary Michaud, 207.581.3175; mary.j.michaud@maine.edu. More information is also available on the [conference website](#).

Dagher, Maginnis leading two Maine Science Festival online forums

21 Jan 2021

Habib Dagher, founding director of the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center, and Melissa Maginnis, an associate professor of microbiology, will lead two online forums during the 2021 Maine Science Festival. The festival will offer six one-hour sessions via Zoom, one in January, one in February and one in March. Each session will include an overview from the speaker, followed by a Q&A period. Dagher, also a professor of civil engineering, will participate in a talk titled "Off-shore wind: from the UK to Maine" with Tony Appleton, director of offshore wind for Burns & McDonnell, and Ronit Praver, director of the U.K. Government's Science and Innovation Network (SIN) for the Eastern U.S. The festival will host the online forum at 1 p.m. Feb. 16. Register on the event [webpage](#). Maginnis, leader of the University of Maine System Scientific Advisory Board, will speak in a forum titled "Overview of COVID-19" that explores what COVID-19 is, how it works and why it has been effective as a pandemic. The festival will host the session at 4 p.m. March 2. Register on the event [webpage](#). More information about the 2021 festival and its forums can be found [online](#).

BDN speaks with Savoie about cleaning, storing and using fresh eggs

21 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) talked with Kathy Savoie, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension professor and educator, about keeping chicken coops clean and the proper handling and storage of fresh eggs.

Media advance pruning webinar

21 Jan 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#), [The Irregular](#), [The Rangeley Highlander](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), [WAGM](#) (Channel 8) and the [Daily Bulldog](#) advanced a University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Extension webinar, “The Science of Pruning,” scheduled for 6–7 p.m. Feb 10. More information about this session, which is part of the UMaine Extension winter gardening series, is [online](#).

Dumas talks with BDN about substitutes for vanilla extract

21 Jan 2021

Rob Dumas, University of Maine food science innovation coordinator, spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about cooking substitutes for vanilla extract. Dumas recommends almond extract, but notes that it may change the flavor. “Bourbon or rum would likely be the closest in terms of replacing the flavor of vanilla,” Dumas said.

Advertiser Democrat, Mainebiz report on mobile testing lab, enhanced coronavirus testing at UMaine

21 Jan 2021

The [Advertiser Democrat](#) and [Mainebiz](#) reported that the University of Maine System has partnered with Shield T3 to site a mobile coronavirus testing lab on the University of Maine campus in Orono to enhance testing capacity and eliminate the need to ship samples out of state for processing. The expected turnaround time at the mobile lab is 24 hours or less.

News Center talks with Kaye about long-term care partnership, grant

21 Jan 2021

[News Center Maine](#) talked with Lenard Kaye, a University of Maine professor of social work and director of the Center on Aging, about a recent grant award to UMaine and the assisted living center The Cedars in South Portland. The \$400,000 grant will be used to develop and pilot a person-centered care designation of excellence that can be implemented nationwide.

Advertiser Democrat, Centralmaine.com promote new CRIS certificate in research innovation

21 Jan 2021

The [Advertiser Democrat](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) picked up a University of Maine news release announcing CRIS, a new certificate program in research innovation and strategy. Participants in the four-course program will gain hands-on experience in UMaine research centers, and apply emerging technologies to creatively solve problems. More information about the program is [online](#).

Media report on increased water testing for coronavirus at UMaine

21 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) reported that in addition to testing wastewater samples from locations on campus and in the town of Orono, the University of Maine will begin testing samples from the University of Maine Presque Isle in a laboratory located on the Orono campus. [WABI](#) (Channel 5), the [Bangor Daily News](#) and the [Associated Press](#) reported on the plan to increase testing frequency. The [Daily Bulldog](#) picked up a University of Maine System news release about the spring semester wastewater testing regime. The [Washington Times](#), The [Lufkin Daily News](#), [Q96.1](#) (Presque Isle) and [U.S. News and World Report](#) shared the AP story.

LaRochelle piece featured on international economics blog

21 Jan 2021

Ryan LaRochelle, a University of Maine lecturer in Leadership Studies and Political Science, has an article on the London School of Economics’ USApp blog titled “[Recent events show the strong need for Joe Biden to return to the democratic impulses of the Great Society](#).” LaRochelle argues that “Biden and the Democrats will have to go beyond policy gains in order to protect democracy and fulfil the goals of the Great Society. To fully capitalize on the type of organizational and grassroots work that flipped Georgia for Biden, Warnock, and Ossoff, the Democratic Party also needs to invest in party-building efforts.”

Mitchell Center hosts DACF commissioner’s talk about leading through collaboration

21 Jan 2021

The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine will host a talk by Amanda Beal, commissioner of the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (DACF), about how investing in partnerships helps the agency work more effectively for the state and its people. The virtual event, which is free and open to the public, will be from 3–4 p.m. on Feb. 1. The talk is available via Zoom and registration is required. To register and receive connection information, visit the [event webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ruth Hallsworth, 207.581.3196; hallsworth@maine.edu. DACF oversees many of Maine’s most important natural resources that are central to the state’s economy. As Maine faces daunting challenges, from climate change to a global pandemic, investing in strong partnerships has been crucial to the department’s effectiveness. Commissioner Beal

will discuss strategic collaborations with UMaine and other partners, and how they are positioning DACF to best serve the people of Maine. Beal's lifelong interest in food production began as a child growing up on her family's commercial dairy farm in Maine. Before joining DACF, she served as the president and CEO of Maine Farmland Trust, and prior to that, its policy and research director. She also has worked in the public health field and as an independent consultant on food system-related projects for a number of fisheries, agriculture and other food-focused organizations and businesses. Beal has authored and co-authored numerous papers and reports, including "A New England Food Vision: Healthy Food for All, Sustainable Farming and Fishing, Thriving Communities."

Puhlman to join 'Maine Calling' program about how parents can cope with pandemic stress

22 Jan 2021

Daniel Puhlman, an assistant professor of family studies at the University of Maine and licensed marriage and family therapist, will participate in a "[Maine Calling](#)" discussion about how parents can handle the additional stress caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program will air at 11 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 22. Other participants in the upcoming discussion include Sarah McLaughlin, a child development specialist, author, parenting educator, licensed social worker; Brian Duff, a professor of political science at the University of New England; Ross Greene, author and clinical child psychologist; and Jenny Eastman, an early childhood educator.

University of Maine System launches planning for statewide College of Engineering, Computing, and Information Science backed by \$75 million investment from Harold Alfond Foundation

22 Jan 2021

Planning for a statewide Maine College of Engineering, Computing, and Information Science (MCECIS) began today with a virtual vision session involving 180 leaders in industry and education. Participants included faculty and staff at UMaine and the University of Southern Maine as well as most other campuses in the University of Maine System, members of industrial advisory boards that support programs that would become part of MCECIS, K-12 educators, and non-profit and fundraising partners. Read the full release on the University of Maine System's [website](#).

UMaine and Maine Sea Grant support effort to boost sea urchin farming in New England

22 Jan 2021

A team of researchers, aquaculture production specialists and educators in Maine, Rhode Island and New Hampshire will be working to help transform the sea urchin fishery by supporting green sea urchin aquaculture efforts in New England. The team — which includes Steve Eddy and Luz Kogson at the University of Maine, Dana Morse with Maine Sea Grant, project lead Coleen Suckling at the University of Rhode Island and Larry Harris at the University of New Hampshire — received a \$100,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Northeast Regional Aquaculture Center to improve hatchery production of the green sea urchin and engage prospective urchin farmers on grow out possibilities in the Gulf of Maine and coastal northern New England. "There is a strong international demand for sea urchins, mostly driven by the Asian market, yet this demand is poorly met by North American suppliers, largely due to declining natural stocks and increased stock regulation," says Suckling. Maine's sea urchin fishery, which was primarily wild harvest, was worth \$35.6 million with 34 million pounds landed in 1995, according to Maine's [Department of Marine Resources](#). Then the stocks collapsed, and the wild harvest fishery did not recover to the same level. Over the past five years, the stocks have been fairly stable, says Eddy, director of UMaine's Center for Cooperative Aquaculture Research. In 2019, the fishery was worth \$5.8 million, and 1.7 million pounds were landed. "There is substantial potential for aquaculture growth of urchins, and interest to grow sea urchins in New England is expanding, which our new project will help support by providing seed and technical advice at no cost," says Suckling. Recent advances in technology, techniques and feeds at urchin farms around the world will enable the team to study how to adapt these advances to local hatchery and nursery culture. "Urchin farming has generated a lot of interest in Maine, but nobody's really nailed it down yet to where urchins are a profitable crop to grow," says Morse, a Maine Sea Grant marine extension associate based at the Darling Marine Center. "To allow us to take advantage of the creativity and ingenuity that prospective growers have — our best chance for developing economically viable systems — they need access to seed stock, and that's where we are starting." The research team also will engage regulatory agencies and prospective urchin producers in the Northeast to communicate developments in the availability of urchin seed stock and understand the interests and needs for producers and regulators. In addition, growth trials at Maine aquaculture sites will be conducted to track growth and survival, assess different feeds, and understand husbandry considerations. "We think Maine is the perfect place to grow sea urchins and we're hoping some of our neighbor states to the south will give it a try as well," says Eddy. "This project should help us produce more urchin seed than ever before and help us encourage new sea urchin farmers to try it. We already have several growers we are working with, and we're looking to sign up more. We believe sea urchins are a natural fit with kelp aquaculture and oyster farms." Aquaculturists interested in learning more should contact Suckling, coleensuckling@uri.edu, or Luz Kogson, luz.kogson@maine.edu to receive project updates and be added to the list of those seeking urchin seed. Contact: Hannah Robbins, 207.581.1442

Enjoying family outdoor adventures with UMaine Extension 4-H, community partners

22 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H is partnering with the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine to offer a new monthly outdoor educational series for families with youth ages 7-18. "[Outdoor Family Adventures](#)" is for those interested in learning more about Maine's ecology, observing birds and their habitats, responsible fire building and safely spending time in the Maine outdoors. Programs will be held from 3-5 p.m. Jan. 31, Feb. 28, March 28 and April 25 at 2273 North Belfast Ave., Augusta. Participants are responsible for bringing their own portable seating, water and snacks. Face coverings are required. The series is free; registration is required. Register on the [program webpage](#). Due to safety protocols, the program is limited to one adult and one youth per family. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Alisha Targonski, 207.622.7546; alisha.r.targonski@maine.edu.

Hutchinson Center hosts 'Self-Care for Clinicians' program

22 Jan 2021

Registration is open for an online professional development program, "Self-Care for Clinicians," offered Jan. 29-30 through the University of Maine

Hutchinson Center. The two-day Zoom program is scheduled for 6–8 p.m. on Jan. 29 and 10 a.m.–noon on Jan. 30. The cost is \$75 per person. Clinicians on the front lines need care and support to prevent burnout. This year has been marked by turmoil, between the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, a divisive political atmosphere and issues related to racial injustice. Participants in “Self-Care for Clinicians” will develop strategies and share resilience and hardiness skills to reduce their own anxiety while creating a safer, more professional environment for their clients. Frontline health care workers, teachers and educators, social workers and administrators are among the many professional groups who will benefit from participating in this program. Instructor Wendy Rapaport is a licensed clinical psychologist with the faculty at the University of Miami School of Medicine Diabetes Research Institute and the UMaine School of Social Work. In private practice, she has specialized in individual, marital, family and group therapy for 40 years. Rapaport, who has published more than 65 articles, instructs audiences nationwide. Participants will earn a UMaine certificate of completion and 0.4 CEUs/4 contact hours are available. More information and a [registration link](#) are available [online](#). Early registration is recommended as capacity is capped at 12. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available for people who live or work in Knox or Waldo counties. For scholarship information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Michelle Patten, 207.338.8002, um.fhc.pd@maine.edu.

Howard speaks to WAGM about upcoming food safety webinars

22 Jan 2021

Christina Howard, a food safety professional with University of Maine Cooperative Extension, spoke with [WAGM](#) in Presque Isle about an online three-session introduction on farm food safety planning hosted by UMaine Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. The live, virtual series, “[Farm Food Safety Planning Made Simple](#)” will be held from 5–6:30 p.m. Feb. 2, Feb. 9 and Feb. 16.

WABI interviews Brewer about President Biden, challenges he faces

22 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (channel 5) interviewed Mark Brewer, a professor of political science at the University of Maine, about the inauguration of President Joseph R. Biden Jr. and the challenges he faces. “I don’t think anybody’s expecting him to be a miracle worker, but he does have 40 plus years of deal cutting as a United States senator and as President Obama’s right hand man for dealing with Congress, so let’s see what he can pull off,” Brewer said.

Socolow speaks with WVII about preventing misinformation from spreading

22 Jan 2021

Michael Socolow, director of the McGillicuddy Humanities Center at the University of Maine, spoke with [WVII](#) (Channel 7) about misinformation and how to prevent it from spreading. “A lot of people who have their heart in the right place and are intending to share on social media things that they believe are accurate are sharing things that are inaccurate,” said the associate professor of communication and journalism.

Media report on Maine College of Engineering, Computing, and Information Science initiative

22 Jan 2021

[Mainebiz](#), [News Center Maine](#), the [Portland Press Herald](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), [WABI](#) (Channel 5) and [WVII](#) (Channel 7) reported on a virtual discussion about the University of Maine System’s plan to create a [Maine College of Engineering, Computing and Information Science](#). MCECIS, the development of which is supported by \$75 million from an overall [\\$240 million investment](#) from the Harold Alfond Foundation, is expected to unify and expand undergraduate engineering programs at the University of Maine and University of Southern Maine, expand UMaine graduate engineering programs to Portland, streamline pathways into the statewide college from all UMS universities, and create new opportunities for shared programs, interdisciplinary structures and partnerships.

UMaine Extension, UNH Extension offer free farm food safety planning

25 Jan 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension are offering a free three-session introduction on farm food safety planning from 5–6:30 p.m. Feb. 2, Feb. 9 and Feb. 16. “[Farm Food Safety Planning Made Simple](#)” topics include essentials needed in a farm’s food safety plan, farm-specific risks, best practices for standard operating procedures and hygiene, and record-keeping. A panel discussion will focus on the recall process with farmers and retailers. UMaine Extension and UNH Extension specialists and professional staff will lead the sessions. The online sessions are free; preregistration is required. Register on the [program page](#) to receive the live session links. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Christina Howard, 207.570.2868; christina.howard@maine.edu.

Media promote virtual wild blueberry conference

25 Jan 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5), [Morning Ag Clips](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) advanced a virtual wild blueberry conference sponsored by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Jan. 27–Mar. 24. [News Break](#) shared the WABI story.

Centralmaine.com advances Black studies in higher education panel

25 Jan 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) promoted a Jan. 28 Zoom event sponsored by the University of Maine Black Student Union and the UMaine Alumni Association, “Black Studies in 21st Century Higher Education.” Guests Sonia Sanchez and John Bracey, who initiated the movement for Black studies curricula in the 1970s, will talk about the history of Black Studies, current urgencies, and the relevance of Black knowledge, creativity and spirituality in higher education. More

information is available [online](#).

Leahy cited in Atlantic Forestry Review

25 Jan 2021

Jessica Leahy, a University of Maine professor of Human Dimensions of Natural Resources, was quoted in [Atlantic Forestry Review](#) about a new project intended to establish a network of mentors and resources to empower private forest landowners in Canada. Leahy will offer an outside perspective to project partners, posing questions that might not otherwise be addressed.

Maine Monitor talks with Fuller about potential for agroforestry in Maine

25 Jan 2021

The [Maine Monitor](#) spoke with David Fuller, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension agricultural professional, about introducing agroforestry to Maine farmers to support regenerative agriculture. The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [Seacoast Online](#) shared the Maine Monitor story.

BDN reports on Boss' selection as oceanography fellow

25 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that Emmanuel Boss, a University of Maine professor of oceanography and director of the Sound & Color Lab in the School of Marine Sciences, has been named as a Fellow of The Oceanography Society.

Maine Public advances Dagher's Maine Calling appearance

25 Jan 2021

[Maine Calling](#) will host a discussion about wind power in Maine Jan. 25 featuring Habib Dagher, a University of Maine professor of civil engineering and director of the Advanced Structures and Composites Center.

GQ interviews Miner about PFAS on Everest

25 Jan 2021

[GQ](#) interviewed Kimberley Miner, a University of Maine assistant professor with the Climate Change Institute, about the presence of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), or forever chemicals, shed by climbers and gear left behind on Everest.

Eddy cited in coverage of grant to develop urchin aquaculture

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[Maine Public](#) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) talked with Steve Eddy, director of the University of Maine Aquaculture Research Institute, about Maine's budding urchin industry and a recent grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture that will support development of methods for hatching and growing urchin seedlings. [WVII](#) (Channel 7) interviewed Eddy and Dana Morse, Maine Sea Grant extension associate, about the grant. The [Boothbay Register](#) and [Seacoast Online](#) shared the University of Maine news release about the project. The [Bangor Daily News](#) shared the Maine Public story. [WABI](#) (Channel 5), [URI Today](#) and the [Westerly Sun](#) also reported on the grant award.

AP reports UMaine developing ride-hailing tool for visually impaired

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The [Associated Press](#) reported that the University of Maine has received a \$300,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to develop a ride-hailing smartphone app for the visually impaired. The [Sun Journal](#), [WABI](#) (Channel 5) [WGME](#) (Channel 13 in Portland), [WHDH](#) (Channel 7 in Boston), [MSN.com](#), [U.S. News and World Report](#), [MRT](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [The Milford Mirror](#) shared the AP story.

Improved screening for hypertension needed, according to Maine-Syracuse Longitudinal Study investigators

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High blood pressure, a significant risk factor for kidney disease, heart disease, stroke, retinopathy and dementia, has been labeled the silent killer. Early detection and treatment are essential to slow or prevent the adverse consequences of untreated hypertension. Consequently, the practice of "opportunistic" blood pressure (BP) measurement has become commonplace in visits to primary care providers and others, including dentists and optometrists. Typically, automated BP measurement devices/monitors are used. In a major literature review, Maine-Syracuse Longitudinal Study (MSLS) investigators Merrill Elias and Amanda Goodall at the University of Maine examined studies of health provider errors in automated blood pressure measurement and offered a number of procedures for improving the accuracy of these methods (Hypertension, 2021;77(1)). In two follow-up opinion pieces, Elias and Goodall pointed out the need for data on errors of automated BP measurement in the dental office, including measurement of BP using the wrist-cuff device with the patient placed in the dental chair with the feet elevated instead of flat on the floor (American Journal of Hypertension, 220; 33(4)) and, with co-author Adam Davey of the University of Delaware, American Journal of Hypertension (ahead of print DOI: [10.1093/ajh/hpaa216](#) PMID). Elias, Goodall and Davey offered simple solutions to these problems, most of which emphasize following readily available directions for proper BP measurement. There is ample literature online, including on the American Heart Association and Mayo Clinic websites, about precisely how automated BP measurement should be performed. For example, the arm-cuff automated monitor should be used and the patient should be seated in a straight-backed chair with arms on a table and feet flat on the floor. The

papers by Elias, Goodell and Davey provide important information for patients concerned about how their BP is being assessed by their health care providers. The MSLS authors emphasize that the problem is not measurement of BP in the dental chair when the dental procedure itself requires that BP to be within a safe range, such as tooth extraction or procedures that require anesthesia. The concern is the erroneous practice of seating the patient in the dental chair when the goal is valid opportunistic screening for hypertension. The extent of poor measurement practices is not known, according to the authors, but there is much information by way of patient complaints and anecdotal evidence. More information on these studies and full references to the three papers may be obtained from Elias, MSLS director, mfelias@maine.edu. A history of MSLS, a listing of funding sources since its beginning in 1975, and a list of publications to present are [online](#). Contact: Margaret Nagle, nagle@maine.edu

UMaine to host virtual career fair Feb. 3

26 Jan 2021

The University of Maine Career Center will host the annual Career Fair virtually 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Feb. 3 on the [Career Link](#) platform. UMaine's Career Fair, which is the largest in the state, is held each year for UMaine and University of Maine at Machias students and alumni of all majors. All those with an @maine.edu address are welcome to attend. More than 108 employers from Maine and around the country will participate; all have summer jobs, internships and part-time or full-time positions available for applicants in every discipline. Selected branches of the U.S. military will also be represented. Participants should register [online](#), create a Career Link profile and upload their resume prior to the event. Detailed instructions are available now in the [Student Virtual Career Fair Day of Guide](#) to help applicants research participating employers, and to prepare attendees for timed virtual interviews and individual or group video chats with recruiters. Career Center staff are also available to help with resume updates and to provide tips for successful online interviewing. The 2021 fair is underwritten by Bangor Savings Bank, Bath Iron Works/General Dynamics, Lewiston Public Schools, Northern Light, Pike Industries and Piscataqua Landscaping & Tree Service, with additional support from several area sponsors. More information is available [online](#) or by contacting the Career Center at 207.581.1359.

College Post story cites UMaine study on rural youth aspirations

26 Jan 2021

The [College Post](#) cited a survey led by social scientists at the University of Maine's School of Forest Resources in a story about how the COVID-19 pandemic has led to a greater drop in college applications among rural students compared to their urban counterparts. The Rural Youth Futures Project reported that the top barrier to college education among the rural students surveyed in Maine and Oregon was price. The study also asked students about their aspirations and the obstacles they perceive to achieving them, as well as their perspectives on schools and communities. Jessica Leahy, a professor of human dimensions of natural resources at UMaine, and Mindy Crandall, now an assistant professor at Oregon State University, published the study's findings in [fact sheets](#) for schools to help them better meet rural students' needs.

Engineering News-Record interviews Dagher, Davids about composite tub bridge girders

26 Jan 2021

The [Engineering News-Record](#) spoke with Habib Dagher, director of the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center (ASCC), and Bill Davids, professor and department chair of Civil and Environmental Engineering, about the use of composite girders in a local bridge rebuild. The girders, which were initially developed at the ASCC, are produced by Advanced Infrastructure Technologies (AIT), a local spin-off company that has licensed the technology from UMaine.

Ferrini-Mundy speaks with WABI about vaccination efforts at UMaine, across UMS

26 Jan 2021

University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy spoke with [WABI](#) (Channel 5) about campus and University of Maine System engagement in the vaccination process, including seeking vaccines for students and staff, confirming Phase 1B vaccination eligibility for faculty, and recruiting nursing students to administer the coronavirus vaccine to eligible members of the public.

VillageSoup, MD Islander advance talk on identifying, treating plant diseases

26 Jan 2021

[VillageSoup](#) and the [Mount Desert Islander](#) promoted a virtual Feb. 2 talk by Alicyn Smart, director of the Plant Disease Diagnostic Center at the University of Maine, highlighting plant diseases and disease management for gardeners in midcoast Maine. The event, which begins at 9:30 a.m., is sponsored by the Camden Garden Club. More information about the event is [online](#).

The Roys: Three brothers, one MBA Program

26 Jan 2021

Billy, Jonathan, and Daniel Roy grew up in Frenchville, Maine. They all earned their bachelor's degrees at the University of Maine and are now all enrolled in the MaineMBA program. "Honestly, the three of us never planned to work on our MBA's simultaneously," Billy says. Jon, who works at the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center as a research engineer and project manager, was the first to begin the program. Dan and Billy joined him last summer. While the brothers are naturally competitive with each other, they've gone their own way professionally and geographically. Read on to learn more about the journey they're taking at the Graduate School of Business. Read the full story on the [MBS website](#).

UMaine to host AAAS session on research learning experiences

27 Jan 2021

The University of Maine will host a live panel discussion at the 2021 [American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting](#) at 2 p.m. Feb. 8. The theme for this year's meeting, which will be held virtually, is Understanding Dynamic Ecosystems. The session facilitated by the University of Maine, "[Fostering Career Development Through Research Learning Experiences](#)," seeks to share effective approaches to integrating diverse student populations into scholarly research communities through authentic experiential learning at the high school and college levels. The workshop will feature presentations by panelists with unique, complementary understanding of research learning experiences (RLEs) across disciplines. UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy will offer opening remarks to kick off the workshop, which will be moderated by Ali Abedi, associate vice president for research and director of the Center for Undergraduate Research. Mauricio Pereira da Cunha, professor of electrical and computer engineering, will highlight RLEs in secondary education, and outline strategies for recruiting pre-college students for fellowships in STEM disciplines. Sally Molloy, assistant professor of genomics, will discuss engaging college students in course-based RLEs with a focus on sustaining the social-emotional connections that facilitate learning, and building core competencies such as critical thinking. Associate professor of microbiology Melissa Maginnis will describe beneficial program-level support systems, which include structured fellowships, establishment of research communities and methods for showcasing student accomplishments. Panelists will interact with the audience in a Q&A session following their brief presentations. Some of the learning outcomes from this workshop include:

- Learning transferable strategies for engaging students in RLEs in support of college recruitment
- Application of RLEs to enrich the undergraduate student experience and support retention
- Methods of building students' critical thinking skills with classroom experiences
- Supporting students by connecting them with authentic research communities and engaging them in peer-based learning
- Understanding research learning in a rural context

This session, which is part of the Career Development track, is free and open to the public; [registration](#) with AAAS is required. More information about AAAS and the annual meeting is [online](#).

Sun Journal promotes family nutrition series

27 Jan 2021

The [Sun Journal](#) advanced a University of Maine Cooperative Extension weekly webinar series for families in Androscoggin, Hancock, Sagadahoc and Washington counties. "Create Family Meals" begins Feb. 11 and runs through April 1. More information about the series is [online](#).

Media promote Mitchell Center event about the 'town that refused to die'

27 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [Ellsworth American](#), [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [VillageSoup](#) advanced "The Town that Refused to Die," a Feb. 8 event sponsored by the University of Maine's Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions. Susan Lessard, Bucksport town manager, will talk about how the town has weathered economic changes and what other communities can learn from their experience. More information about the event is [online](#).

Wilson talks with WVII, News Center about Big Gig pitch competition

27 Jan 2021

Emma Wilson, University of Maine entrepreneurship events coordinator, spoke with [WVII](#) (Channel 7) and [News Center Maine](#) about the Big Gig Pitch-Off, a competition where business owners and potential entrepreneurs receive feedback and support for establishing and growing their small businesses.

BDN, Irregular advance virtual Career Fair on Feb. 3

27 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) and [The Irregular](#) promoted the University of Maine's Career Fair, which is scheduled for 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Feb 3. The fair will be virtual this year. All UMaine and University of Maine at Machias students and alumni are welcome to attend. More information about the event is [online](#).

WVII interviews Walsh in advancing free college planning sessions

27 Jan 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with Kate Walsh, a University of Maine college access advisor, about a series of free college planning sessions offered by the Maine Educational Opportunity Center. According to Walsh, the events are open to any adult Maine residents who do not already have a bachelor's degree and are interested in getting any kind of education or training. More information is [online](#).

Press Herald cites UMaine Extension survey in story about prevalence of Lyme disease

27 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) cited a University of Maine Cooperative Extension study in a story about a U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report describing how the prevalence of Lyme disease is likely 10 times higher than reported. [Centralmaine.com](#) shared the Press Herald story.

Centralmaine.com, Morning Ag Clips advance talk on leading through collaboration

27 Jan 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) and [Morning Ag Clips](#) promoted a Feb. 1 talk by Amanda Beal, commissioner of the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and

Forestry. The University of Maine's Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions will host the event titled "Leading Together: Strengthening Policy Outcomes through Collaboration." More information about the event is [online](#).

Fernandez talks with Public News Service about Biden's climate change agenda

27 Jan 2021

[Public News Service](#) spoke with Ivan Fernandez, a University of Maine professor with the Climate Change Institute and the School of Forest Resources, about President Joe Biden's aggressive approach to addressing climate change. "It's never more important now than now to invest every dollar as wisely as possible, based on science, that moves us towards the future," Fernandez said. "And it's a lot easier to do that when you have a partner at the federal level."

Research reveals genetic response of ocean warming and acidification in American lobster

28 Jan 2021

A team of researchers from the University of Maine Darling Marine Center in Walpole, Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in East Boothbay and Maine Department of Marine Resources in West Boothbay Harbor recently published their research on the effects of ocean warming and acidification on gene expression in the earliest life stages of the American lobster. The work was published in the scientific journal [Ecology and Evolution](#) with collaborators from the University of Prince Edward Island and Dalhousie University in Canada. Leading the study was recent UMaine graduate student Maura Niemisto, who received her master's degree in marine science. Co-authors on the journal article were her advisers Richard Wahle, research professor in UMaine's School of Marine Sciences and director of the Lobster Institute, and David Fields, senior research scientist at Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences. Co-authors Spencer Greenwood of the University of Prince Edward Island and Fraser Clark of Dalhousie University brought the genetic expertise to the study. Jessica Waller of the Maine Department of Marine Resources conducted some of the initial studies that led to Niemisto's experiments, also in the laboratories of Wahle and Fields. The team's experiments examined the gene regulatory response of postlarval lobsters to the separate and combined effects of warming and acidification anticipated by the end of the 21st century. They found that genes regulating a range of physiological functions, from those controlling shell formation to the immune response, are either up- or down-regulated. Importantly, they observed that the two stressors combined induced a greater gene regulatory response than either stressor alone. The results from the study indicate that changes in gene expression of postlarval lobster may act as a mechanism to accommodate rapid changes in the ocean environment. Niemisto noted that "there is still need for further study to determine how rapidly populations of the species may be able to adapt to changing conditions. To better understand how gene regulation in response to environmental changes functions within the species, we should look at subpopulations and multigenerational studies to determine the extent of species' capacity to respond to altered environmental conditions." "Maura's study reveals some of the hidden mechanisms species employ minute to minute and hour to hour at the cellular level to function normally in a variable environment," said Wahle. "We need to gain these insights as we take on the larger challenge of understanding how species adapt on the much larger time scale of decades." According to the National Marine Fisheries Service, the American lobster fishery is the most valuable in North America. The species holds particular socioeconomic importance in the Gulf of Maine, where sea surface temperatures are increasing at a rate faster than most of the world's oceans and waters are more susceptible to higher rates of acidification. The center of the American lobster range has been shifting northward in response to warming ocean temperatures. However, little is known about how the species will respond to the combined effects of increasing ocean temperatures and acidification. This study is a first step in answering that question. The species' earliest life stages are thought to be especially vulnerable to these climate related challenges. The research was supported by a grant from the NOAA's Ocean Acidification Program and the National Sea Grant Program. Additional funding for student internships came from Bigelow Laboratory's Research Experience for Undergraduates program, supported by the National Science Foundation. Contact: Matt Norwood, matthew.norwood@maine.edu; 207.563.8220

Innovate for Maine Fellows opens 2021 applications for students, companies

28 Jan 2021

The University of Maine's Foster Center for Innovation is seeking Maine students and Maine companies to participate in the 2021 Innovate for Maine Fellows internship program. Applications are [now open](#). The Innovate for Maine Fellows Program connects the best and brightest Maine college students with Maine's most exciting growing companies for paid, meaningful, hands-on internship experiences. The program is looking for both student fellows to join the 2021 cohort and a variety of for-profit companies with innovative products, services or processes to host them. "In 2021, we believe Innovate for Maine's mission is more important than ever," says Renee Kelly, assistant vice president for innovation and economic development at the University of Maine. "Many Maine businesses continue to face uncertainty and challenges. For them, Innovate for Maine is an affordable way to bring in fresh perspectives and complete projects that will accelerate growth. For students, it demonstrates that innovative career opportunities aren't limited to major cities in other states — there are many options right here in Maine." Eligible students include those enrolled in undergraduate or graduate degree programs at any college or university in Maine, as well as Maine residents enrolled in degree programs at colleges or universities outside of the state. Host companies can range in size from small startups to major corporations. Fellows can work full time or part time during the summer, with the possibility of continuing part time during the academic year. Depending on public health guidance, program-related events and internship placements may take place remotely in 2021. Emphasizing innovation and entrepreneurship, Innovate for Maine prepares student fellows to collaborate with companies on innovation projects that accelerate company growth. Innovation projects can include work on new products or services, process improvements, market research, prototyping, sales forecasting and more. Trained innovation experts guide and mentor both the fellow and the company for the duration of the internship. UMaine handles all recruiting, screening, matching, hiring and initial innovation and workplace training for companies selected to participate in the program. Since Innovate for Maine Fellows was established in 2012, student participants have gained exposure to innovative Maine companies and built strong networks that help them find opportunities to stay in Maine. A recent survey of Innovate for Maine Fellows alumni revealed that 70% of respondents were living in Maine and another 10 percent currently live outside of Maine but plan to return as their careers progress. Nearly 20% of program alumni have started their own companies.

University Bookstore highlights 2020 fundraising results

28 Jan 2021

In 2020, the University Bookstore raised \$935 for the Student Crisis Fund from selling Life is Good "In this together" T-shirts. The fund provides assistance to students affected by the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic. The Bookstore food drive, held Nov. 18–Dec. 30, netted 478 pounds of food for the campus food pantry, the Black Bear Exchange. The pantry provides food to students, faculty and staff and their immediate families without means testing or application to

serve those who are struggling but do not qualify for other assistance.

Advertiser Democrat advances Extension 4-H activities, clubs

28 Jan 2021

The [Advertiser Democrat](#) promoted several events hosted by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, along with the [4-H For All](#) virtual club. Events include a draw your own stickers webinar on Feb. 10 for Oxford County youth of all ages, and an indoor igloo building STEM challenge on Feb. 17 for children in grades K–5. The virtual club, for youth ages 5–13, will meet Feb. 17, March 17 and April 21. More information about the club and the February events is [online](#).

VillageSoup, Pen Bay Pilot advance practical project management series

28 Jan 2021

[VillageSoup](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) promoted a professional development webinar series, “Practical Project Management,” offered by the University of Maine Hutchinson Center in March and May. More information about the series is [online](#).

Mainebiz talks with Howell about Sappi collaboration

28 Jan 2021

[Mainebiz](#) spoke with Caitlin Howell, a University of Maine assistant professor of biomedical engineering, about her research that includes collaboration with Sappi North America in Westbrook. Howell is seeking to use Sappi’s patterned release paper technology to produce inexpensive microfluidic channels for use in water purification systems and other medical applications.

UMaine awarded \$2.8 million to accelerate wind blade development through additive manufacturing

28 Jan 2021

The University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center has been awarded \$2.8 million from the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy to develop a rapid, low-cost additive manufacturing — 3D printing — solution for fabricating large, segmented wind blade molds. In addition, the UMaine Composites Center will collaborate on a \$4 million award to Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) to apply robotic deposition of continuous reinforcing fibers in wind blades. Currently, innovation in large wind blade technology is a costly and time-intensive process. Molds and tooling for large blades can cost upward of \$10 million. The time to market of 16–20 months stifles innovation in this growing market. “The University of Maine remains a leader in additive manufacturing and wind energy technology, and this funding will harness researchers’ expertise in both areas,” said Sens. Susan Collins and Angus King in a [Jan. 28 announcement of the award](#). “We are thrilled that the Department of Energy continues to invest in UMaine’s cutting-edge research and prioritizes the advancement of our state’s clean energy economy and the creation of good-paying jobs.” “Building on a decade plus of research excellence in nanocellulose, composites and wind blade testing, University of Maine researchers and students will apply this knowledge to additive manufacturing, transforming large wind blade development and accelerating innovation in this growing market,” said University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. “I congratulate all of the UMaine researchers and students for continuing to advance transformational research to help grow Maine’s clean energy economy. We thank the Department of Energy for its partnership and our Congressional delegation for their continued interest and incredible support for this world-class research and development underway right here in Maine at our university.” “Very large wind blade molds will be printed on the world’s largest polymer 3D printer located at the UMaine Composites Center using recyclable bio-based materials reinforced with wood,” said Habib Dagher, executive director of the Advanced Structures and Composites Center. “By combining cutting-edge 3D printing manufacturing with bio-based feedstocks, our team estimates that new blade development costs can be reduced by 25% to 50% and accelerated by at least 6 months. Molds produced using these materials can be ground up and reused in other molds, making them a more sustainable solution.” UMaine is a world leader in cellulose nanofiber (CNF) technology, including development of nano- and micro-cellulose reinforced thermoplastic composites. These new bio-based materials promise mechanical properties similar to aluminum at lower fabricated costs. Carbon fiber reinforced ABS thermoplastic feedstocks, which are widely used in large scale 3D printing, cost more than \$5 per pound. By incorporating bio-based materials derived from wood, the cost of the feedstock can be reduced to less than \$2 per pound. The molds will incorporate 3D printed heating elements using a new technology developed at ORNL. Control of mold surface temperatures is a critical mold manufacturing requirement, and the new ORNL technology enables robotic deposition of heating elements, reducing mold fabrication time and cost. “Oak Ridge National Laboratory will apply expertise in additive manufacturing, carbon fiber technology and materials science to advance the use of 3D printing in wind energy applications,” said ORNL’s Xin Sun, interim associate laboratory director for energy science and technology. “We look forward to collaborating with UMaine to optimize these clean energy technologies to benefit the environment and boost the economy.” The outcome of the proposed research is to transform mold production as a key enabler for more rapid and more cost-effective large wind turbine blade development. TPI Composites and Siemens Gamesa (SGRE) are partnering with the UMaine Composites Center on the project. A successful demonstration will put both SGRE and TPI in a position to transition the additive manufacturing solution into practice. SGRE is the world’s leading supplier of offshore wind turbines and TPI produces approximately 18% of the world’s wind blades. Ingersoll Machine Tools, the 3D printer manufacturer, and Techmer PM, the cellulosic-thermoplastic feedstock compounder, also are on the team, providing the ability to scale-up both equipment and feedstock production. Researchers at the UMaine Composites Center on the project include Dagher, James Anderson, John Arimond and Doug Gardner. Contact: Meghan Collins, 207.852.8414; mc@maine.edu

UMaine museums, planetarium support remote instruction, learning

28 Jan 2021

University of Maine museums and planetarium have a rich library of online resources available to support remote K–12 instruction during the pandemic. The Page Farm and Home Museum offers Virtual Field Trip Experiences, via Zoom, to school groups, homeschool groups, and college classes. Groups can take an [introductory tour](#), select a virtual visit [topic](#), or request a program tailored to specific curricular needs by calling the museum at 207.581.4100. Online [resources](#) and a [Whatz-It?](#) challenge are also available to supplement remote learning for students of all ages. The Versant Power Astronomy Center offers a wide array of [Virtual Astronomy Experiences](#) to support online exploration of the universe for schoolchildren of every age. Maine’s Wondrous Night Sky,

Planet Parade, Mysterious Moon and Me, and Voyage Through the Universe are a few of the lessons available — all are supplemented with age-appropriate [resources](#) from NASA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. [Universe Explorers of Maine](#), an international online astronomy club, uses robotic telescopes and gamified learning quests to facilitate space exploration and participation in citizen science. Limited funding is available to support class participation in the explorers club. The Hudson Museum's [Adventures in Anthropology](#) supports virtual exploration of cultures and traditions featured in the museum's World Cultures Gallery. This new interactive program introduces students to the field of anthropology using a guided research approach. The museum's [YouTube](#) channel features virtual tours of three Hudson Museum galleries, along with more than two dozen videos of Wabanaki artist interviews, demonstrations of traditional artforms and storytelling. These videos support the teaching of Wabanaki history and culture in Maine's public and private elementary and high schools. The Zillman Art Museum similarly shares educational resources tailored to K–12 learning on [YouTube](#). "Studio Sessions" is a series of virtual, hands-on lessons designed to engage children in creative arts while at home during the pandemic. Lessons range from papier-mache techniques, to making modeling clay, to creating a cubist collage in the style of Pablo Picasso. Virtual tours of previous exhibitions at the Zillman Art Museum are also available on the museum's YouTube channel.

App from VEMI Lab group will help people with visual impairments, seniors enjoy ride-sharing with self-driving cars

29 Jan 2021

Self-driving cars will offer access to ride-sharing and ride-hailing with their suite of modern conveniences. However, many people with visual impairments who use these services rely on a human driver to safely locate their vehicle. A research group led by the Virtual Environments and Multimodal Interaction Laboratory (VEMI Lab) at the University of Maine is developing a smartphone app that provides the navigational assistance needed for people with disabilities and seniors to enjoy ride-sharing and ride-hailing, collectively termed mobility-as-a-service, with the latest in automotive technology. The app, known as the Autonomous Vehicle Assistant (AVA), can also be used for standard vehicles operated by human drivers and enjoyed by everyone. AVA will help users request, find and enter a vehicle using a multisensory interface that provides guidance through audio and haptic feedback and high-contrast visual cues. The Autonomous Vehicle Research Group (AVRG), a cross institutional collective led by VEMI lab with researchers from Northeastern University and Colby College, will leverage GPS technology, real-time computer vision via the smartphone camera and artificial intelligence to support the functions offered through the app. The U.S. Department of Transportation [awarded \\$300,000](#) to AVRG for the AVA project through its Inclusive Design Challenge. The [initiative](#) sought proposals for design solutions that would help people with disabilities use autonomous vehicles for employment and essential services. AVRG was one of the semifinalists. "This design challenge was exciting to us as it falls so squarely in our wheelhouse" says Nicholas Giudice, a professor of spatial Computing at UMaine. "We have worked in the areas of multimodal information access and navigation for visually impaired people and older adults for years, and have recently started a research program investigating human-vehicle collaborations for increasing the trustworthiness and accessibility of autonomous vehicles. This development project connects the dots by allowing us to bridge several areas of expertise to ensure that the technology of the future is 'accessible for all.'" Users will create a profile in AVA that reflects their needs and existing methods of navigation. The app will use the information from their profiles to find a suitable vehicle for transport, then determine whether one is available. When the vehicle arrives, AVA will guide the user to it using the camera and augmented reality (AR), which provides an overlay of the environment using the smartphone by superimposing high-contrast lines over the image to highlight the path and verbal guidance, such as compass directions, street names, addresses and nearby landmarks. The app also will pinpoint environmental hazards, such as low-contrast curbs, by emphasizing them with contrasting lines and vibrating when users approach them. It will then help users find the door handle to enter the vehicle awaiting them. "This is the first project of its kind in the country, and in combination with our other work in this area, we are addressing an end-to-end solution for AVs (autonomous vehicles) that will improve their accessibility for all," says Giudice, chief research scientist at VEMI Lab and lead on the AVA project. "Most work in this area only deals with sighted passengers, yet the under-represented driving populations we are supporting stand to benefit most from this technology and are one of the fastest growing demographics in the country." AVRG studies how autonomous vehicles can meet various accessibility needs. [VEMI lab](#) itself has explored tactics for improving consumer trust in this emerging technology. AVA advances both groups' endeavors by not only providing another means for people with visual impairments and other disabilities and seniors to access self-driving vehicles, but also increases their trust in them. The project also builds on a seed grant-funded, joint effort between UMaine and Northeastern University to improve accessibility, safety and situational awareness within the self-driving vehicle. Researchers from both universities aim to develop a new model of human-AI vehicle interaction to ensure people with visual impairments and seniors understand what the autonomous vehicle is doing and that it can sense, interpret and communicate with the passenger. The app will offer modules that train users how to order and locate rides, particularly through mock pickup scenarios. Offering hands-on learning provides users confidence in themselves and the technology, according to researchers. It also gathers data AVRG can use during its iterative, ongoing development for AVA and its integration into autonomous vehicles. "We are very excited about this opportunity to create accessible technology which will help the transition to fully autonomous vehicles for all. The freedom and independence of all travelers is imperative as we move forward," says VEMI lab director Richard Corey. VEMI Lab, co-founded by Corey and Giudice in 2008, explores different solutions for solving unmet challenges with technology. Prime areas of research and development pertain to self-driving vehicles, the design of bio-inspired tools to improve human-machine interaction and functionality, and new technology to improve environmental awareness, spatial learning and navigational wayfinding. Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

Dieffenbacher-Krall honored by Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission

29 Jan 2021

John Dieffenbacher-Krall, assistant director of research in the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture at the University of Maine, was recognized at the Maine Indian Tribal-State Commission's January meeting for his dedicated record of service. Dieffenbacher-Krall served as the commission's Executive Director from 2005 to 2017. An announcement about his recognition is on the commission's website. He continues his work to advance Maine-Wabanaki relations as chair of the Episcopal Committee on Indian Relations. He is also an active member of Decolonizing Maine. At UMaine, Dieffenbacher-Krall oversees capacity-funded research reporting and publications for UMaine's largest research center, the Maine Agricultural and Forest Experiment Station. He is also clerk for the Board of Agriculture, which advises the University of Maine System and University of Maine on matters concerning agricultural-related research and educational programs.

Miner to make appearance on 'Mission Unstoppable'

29 Jan 2021

Kimberley Miner will be featured on [CBS Mission Unstoppable](#) at 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 30. Show host Fig O'Reilly will talk with Miner, a research assistant professor with the Climate Change Institute, about climate change and sea level rise. The interview will be posted on [YouTube](#). Miner, who also is a scientist

with NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab, [discovered](#) that "forever chemicals" from outdoor gear are in snow near the summit of Mount Everest. The American Association for the Advancement of Science IF/THEN [ambassador](#) recently co-wrote the [opinion piece](#) "Deep Frozen Arctic Microbes Are Waking Up" for Scientific American. While Miner was earning her Ph.D. at UMaine, she developed the first health assessment of [glacial meltwater pollution](#).

Now accepting nominations for 2021 Maine Campus Compact awards

29 Jan 2021

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2021 Maine Campus Compact Awards Ceremony. This year the Donald Harward Faculty Award for Service-Learning Excellence, the Heart and Soul Student Award and a special Community Health Hero Student Award, created in response to the COVID-19 crisis, will be presented. MCC will also recognize one outstanding community partner and one outstanding corporate partner at this year's virtual ceremony. Nomination submissions for these awards are due Feb. 10. More information and nomination guidelines can be found [online](#). The Donald Harward Faculty Award for Service-Learning Excellence will recognize three faculty members who have made public service an integral part of their teaching. The award is presented to recipients who use service-learning and/or community action as an innovative teaching tool to engage students in civic leadership. Recipients also show clear evidence of reflection and reciprocity with community partners and demonstrate a commitment to advocating for service-learning and/or community action on campus and beyond. Each campus may nominate three faculty members. The Heart and Soul Student Award recognizes six undergraduate students from member campuses who are actively involved in turning their campuses and communities into places of democracy. These students have raised their voices on issues of local and global importance through civic engagement efforts. Recipients may have a wide variety of experiences in any of the following areas: community service, service-learning, activism, democratic engagement or social justice. They also demonstrate leadership through their inclusive and innovative approaches to social, educational, environmental, health, economic and/or legal issues facing their communities. Each campus may nominate two students. The Community Health Hero Student Award will recognize two undergraduate students for their exemplary civic engagement directly related to the COVID-19 public health crisis. These students are inspiring and engaging leaders addressing pressing community and public health needs during these challenging times. Each campus may nominate two students. The Community Partner of the Year Award and the Corporate Partner of the Year Award will recognize one community partner and one corporate partner each for their distinguished contributions and dedication to strengthening campuses and communities in Maine. Recipients must show a deep and widespread commitment to sustainable, meaningful and reciprocal partnerships with Maine higher education institutions that have a positive impact on our campuses and in our communities. Each campus may nominate one Corporate Partner and one Community Partner. Nominations for all five award categories must be submitted to Lisa Morin, lisa.morin@maine.edu, by Feb. 10.

UMaine announces Black History Month events

29 Jan 2021

The University of Maine will observe Black History Month with a series of virtual events hosted by the Black Student Union in partnership with the Office for Diversity and Inclusion and Fogler Library, among others. Raising of the Black Lives Matter flag will be livestreamed at noon Feb. 1 on the Mall in front of Fogler Library, or in the Memorial Union Bangor Room in inclement weather. Black Lives Matter flags will also be flown at the New Balance Student Recreation Center and the Maine Bound Adventure Center. Monthlong events include an [Indoor Sprint Triathlon for Social Change](#), hosted by the New Balance Student Recreation Center, and an online Racial Justice Challenge sponsored by Fogler Library. At the recreation center, triathletes can complete a 2-mile run, a 500-meter swim, and a 6-mile bike ride over the course of the month. The first 20 people to successfully complete all three events will receive an event T-shirt. Scores will be announced online and updated weekly throughout the month of February. More information is available by contacting Adrianna Del Amo, adrianna.delamo@maine.edu. Fogler Library's online [Racial Justice Challenge](#) is designed to help the community learn, listen, and take action regarding race, racism, and anti-racism. The self-paced challenge modules, which will remain available after Black History Month concludes, culminate in development of a personalized racial justice plan. For information, contact Jen Bonnet, jennifer.l.bonnet@maine.edu. The McGillicuddy Humanities Center (MHC) is hosting three special events in recognition of Black History Month. On Feb. 24, MHC fellow Leela Stockley will discuss her research on racial bias in the media in relation to recent Black Lives Matter protests in "[The Double Standard: Protest Coverage and Racial Bias](#)." Karen Sieber, MHC humanities specialist, will present "Using Technology to Document Racial Violence: On Finding History We Don't Want to Remember," on Feb. 25 to conclude the [Waldo Reads Together](#) discussion of the February book selection, "The Nickel Boys." Also on Feb. 25, the Atlantic Black Box, a public history project that empowers New England communities to reckon with the region's complicity in the slave economy, will host "[Reckoning with New England's Complicity in the Slave Trade](#)." Black Box founders will discuss their work on grassroots historical recovery, which has been guided by a broad coalition of scholars, archivists, museum professionals, activists and artists. The public can participate in MHC events via Zoom; registration is required. Other celebration highlights include a Feb. 9 discussion of Black Excellence and a Feb. 22 conversation with current UMaine students. Kimberly Whitehead, vice president and chief of staff to UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy; Edneisha Curry, lecturer and assistant men's basketball coach; Pious Ali, a Portland city councilor; and alumni David Patrick are the panelists for the Feb. 9 event, which is set for 3 p.m. Patrick is the co-founder of Racial Equity and Justice of Bangor. UMaine students Lauren Babb, Jacquel Eley, Amber Kennedy and Elisabeth Redwood will facilitate a conversation about Black identity, "Speaking LIFE." Participants can join the Feb. 9 discussion of Black Excellence on [Zoom](#) and message laura.rickard@maine.edu for a link to the Feb. 22 event. The Black Student Union also is sponsoring a presentation, "[Reducing Stigma Around Mental Health and Mental Health Care](#)," 1 p.m. Feb. 16; a Black History Month Trivia Night, and Culture Night, a celebration of diversity expressed through performance art. The Husson University African Student Association will co-host Culture Night. For information about the mental health panel, contact Anila Karunakar, director of Diversity and Inclusion, anila.karunakar@maine.edu. For information about other Black History Month events, including registration links, contact BSU president Faye Smith, faye.smith@maine.edu.

Advertiser Democrat, Morning Ag Clips advance webinar about cooking with Maine foods

29 Jan 2021

The [Advertiser Democrat](#) and [Morning Ag Clips](#) advanced two webinars about cooking with Maine foods offered by University of Maine Cooperative Extension. The webinars will be held from 2–2:45 p.m. Feb. 9 and Feb. 23. Register on the [program webpage](#) to receive the link and resources.

Media highlight open applications for Innovate for Maine Fellows

29 Jan 2021

[News Center Maine](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), [WQCB](#) (Q106.5 FM in Brewer) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) noted that the University of Maine's Foster Center for Innovation is seeking Maine students and Maine companies to participate in the 2021 Innovate for Maine Fellows internship program. Applications are [now open](#).

WAGM reports on pruning webinar

29 Jan 2021

[WAGM](#) in Presque Isle reported on an upcoming webinar about the principles of pruning co-hosted by University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. The webinar, "[The Science of Pruning](#)," will be held from 6–7 p.m. Feb. 10. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or receive a link to the recording.

Pen Bay Pilot cites Daley, Sorg report in opioid death story

29 Jan 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) cited a Jan. 11 report about drug fatalities in Maine compiled by University of Maine Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center researchers Kiley Daley and Marcella Sorg in an article titled "Saving lives from opioids."

Press Herald, AZO Cleantech advance research exploring genetic response of lobsters to ocean warming, acidification

29 Jan 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) and [AZO Cleantech](#) reported on research exploring the effects of ocean warming and acidification on gene expression in the earliest life stages of the American lobster. The study from a team of researchers from the University of Maine Darling Marine Center in Walpole, Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences in East Boothbay and Maine Department of Marine Resources in West Boothbay Harbor was published in the scientific journal [Ecology and Evolution](#) with collaborators from the University of Prince Edward Island and Dalhousie University in Canada.

BDN interviews President Ferrini-Mundy about UMS vaccine stance

29 Jan 2021

University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about the University of Maine System's stance on COVID-19 vaccination. While UMS will not require students and employees to obtain a vaccine, the system encourages it, and the president said it will discuss the importance of vaccination with the campus community. "Even if it's not required, this will be kind of rolled out and discussed on our campuses in the same way that we've been working on testing," she said, "if we could offer it tomorrow, from what we're hearing, there's great interest and great commitment to the idea of participating." The [Associated Press](#), [WABI](#) (Channel 5) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) also covered the announcement of the university's vaccine stance. [WHDH](#) (Channel 7 in Boston), the [Washington Times](#), The [Ridgefield Press](#), [The Hour](#) and the [East Oregonian](#) shared the AP story.

Nursing students speak with media about COVID-19 vaccination effort

29 Jan 2021

University of Maine students in nursing spoke with Maine news organizations about helping vaccinate residents for COVID-19. The [Bangor Daily News](#), [News Center Maine](#), [WABI](#) (Channel 5), [WGME](#) (Channel 13 in Portland) and [WMTW](#) (Channel 8 in Portland), all reported on the more than 250 nursing students from several University of Maine System institutions assisting with vaccine administration. "Now we go into this semester with a chance to fight back, complete our clinical training and help end the pandemic," said Emma Moulton, a UMaine senior majoring in nursing, to the BDN. Kelley Strout, director of the UMaine School of Nursing, and UMS Chancellor Dannel Malloy also spoke with news outlets.

Media advance DOE funding for Composites Center's wind turbine blade mold research

29 Jan 2021

[Renews](#), [Manufacturing Global](#), [The Maine Edge](#), [3-D Printing Network](#) and [CompositesWorld](#) highlighted the Department of Energy awarding \$2.8 million to the Advance Structures and Composites Center at the University of Maine to develop a rapid, low-cost additive manufacturing — 3D printing — solution for fabricating large, segmented wind blade molds. In addition, the UMaine Composites Center will collaborate on a \$4 million award to Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) to apply robotic deposition of continuous reinforcing fibers in wind blades. AP, [VillageSoup](#) and other Maine media outlets also reported on the funding announcement.

Mitchell Center hosts talk about Bucksport's resilience and resurgence

01 Feb 2021

The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine will host a talk by Susan Lessard, town manager of Bucksport, about how the town has weathered dramatic changes and what other communities can learn from their experience from 3–4 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 8. In 2018, [Yankee](#) magazine published a story in which they dubbed Bucksport "The Town That Refused to Die." With the loss of 40% of its tax base and nearly 300 jobs after the closure of the Verso paper mill in December 2014, many people thought that Bucksport would become just one more dying former mill town. The town's story instead became one of resilience and resurgence, centered around "five P's" — people, planning, partnerships, persistence and progress. Lessard's talk, also called "The Town That Refused to Die," will focus on how integrating those concepts is helping Bucksport not only survive, but thrive, and how they can help any community move forward. Through this talk, Lessard hopes to convince participants of the importance of becoming more involved in their communities. The talk is free and available via Zoom; registration is required. To register and receive connection information, visit the [event](#)

[webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ruth Hallsworth, 207.581.3196; hallsworth@maine.edu. Lessard was born and raised in Maine and has spent more than 38 years working in municipal government. She is a graduate of UMaine and has served as town manager of Bucksport since 2015. She previously held similar positions in Hampden, Vinalhaven, Fayette and Livermore Falls. In addition to her municipal work, she serves on the Maine Board of Environmental Protection and as a trustee for H.O.M.E. Inc. in Orland.

Media advance consumer sciences educator day Feb. 10

01 Feb 2021

The [Boothbay Register](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted National Family and Consumer Sciences Educator Day on Feb. 10. The story highlighted the work of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, whose educators bring family and consumer sciences research and education programs to diverse stakeholders across Maine.

Centralmaine.com advances scholarship program for Waldo County residents

01 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) advanced the Scholarship for a Sustainable Future program, which provides \$1,500 to first or second-year college students from Waldo County pursuing a career in a field that supports the mission of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. More information about the program is [online](#).

Press Herald opinion cites Darling Center aquaculture research

01 Feb 2021

A [Portland Press Herald](#) opinion column cited aquaculture research conducted at the University of Maine's Darling Marine Center in calling for faster turnaround on shellfish aquaculture licenses from the Maine Department of Marine Resources, and a return to scoping and public hearing practices impacted by the pandemic.

Bangor Metro interviews Caron about sex talk with kids of every age

01 Feb 2021

Bangor Metro interviewed Sandra Caron, a University of Maine professor of family relations and human sexuality, about opportunities to talk to children about sex, noting that it's not a "one-and-done" situation. The [Bangor Daily News](#) shared the Bangor Metro story.

Centralmaine.com reports on family-friendly outdoor skills session

01 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) covered the initial meeting of the Outdoor Family Adventure program on Jan. 31. The family-friendly program, organized by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension and the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, centers on agriculture, science, healthy living and civic engagement. The next session is set for 3 p.m. Feb. 28 in Augusta. More information about the program is [online](#).

New guide highlights behavioral support networks in Maine

03 Feb 2021

A new publication aims to bridge school-based and community-based support systems that promote behavioral health and wellness for Maine students and families. The 15-page "Resource Guide for Maine Families, Schools, and Communities: Integrated Multi-Tiered Systems of Support" provides family-friendly descriptions of services, information on how to access them, and outlines how to navigate the various supports in Maine. Courtney Angelosante, lecturer in special education with the University of Maine College of Education and Human Development, is lead author of the guide. Angelosante is also coordinator of [Maine PBIS](#), a University of Maine System-Maine Department of Education collaboration that provides ongoing professional development to schools in the state that have implemented a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports approach to advancing student behavior and well-being. In addition to Angelosante, the guide's co-authors include Trish Niedorowski, executive director of [Wings for Children and Families](#); Stephanie LeBlanc, a licensed clinical social worker and executive director of [Oxford County Mental Health Services](#); and Carrie Woodcock, executive director of the [Maine Parent Federation](#). Claudia Watson of [NAMI Maine](#) and Megan Scott with the [Maine Department of Health and Human Services](#) contributed to the project as well. "Maine schools are working diligently to support the needs of students every day," the authors write in the guide's introduction. "Schools are an important point of contact for many families given the amount of time their children spend at school with caring adults." At the same time, some students and families may require additional supports. "There are times when the needs of a child and family are supported by community services in addition to school-based supports and interventions," they write. "Interconnecting school and community supports can be important in building lasting partnerships." The state's system of supports for students includes three tiers based on the PBIS model. Tier I supports include the universal behavior expectations that all students receive in schools. Tier II are more targeted interventions for small groups of students who may require additional support. Tier III supports include intensive and individualized assessment, instruction and strategies. Tiers II and III require some level of family involvement. The guide will be distributed to families and schools throughout Maine via the various partner agencies. To download a copy, visit the College of Education and Human Development [website](#). The project was funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Additional support came from the Maine Department of Education. Contact: Casey Kelly, casey.kelly@maine.edu

WGS seeking Sharon Barker Student Activism award nominations

03 Feb 2021

Nominations for the 2021 Sharon Barker Student Activism Award will be accepted through Feb. 14, with a public celebration planned for spring 2022 at the University of Maine. The Sharon Barker Student Activism Award honors UMaine students seeking to implement positive change in their communities by fostering equity and social justice. Barker, a long-time employee of UMaine, is known for her passionate advocacy for Maine women and girls. A community organizer, she was named the first director of UMaine's Women's Resource Center in 1991. In that role she mentored countless students, collaborated with faculty and staff, and served as a liaison with women's organizations in the community. Her leadership included developing and facilitating gender equity workshops for girls, professional development workshops in gender dynamics for teachers, and training UMaine students to serve as role models and presenters at the annual Expanding Your Horizons program for middle school girls. Her focus in the Maine Girls Collaborative Project and other regional and national initiatives was on sustainability and working to understand and change the culture, rather than "fixing" women and girls. Barker co-founded the Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center and served as the center's first president, and chaired the state's Women's Employment Issues Committee. She retired from UMaine in 2014. The Sharon Barker Award was introduced by Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies (WGS) and the Rising Tide Center in 2019. Nominations can be submitted [online](#). For more information, call the WGS Office at 207.581.1228.

Reminder: UMaine to host AAAS session on research learning experiences Feb. 8

03 Feb 2021

The University of Maine will host a live panel discussion at the 2021 [American Association for the Advancement of Science annual meeting](#) at 2 p.m. Feb. 8. The session facilitated by UMaine, "[Fostering Career Development Through Research Learning Experiences](#)," seeks to share effective approaches to integrating diverse student populations into scholarly research communities through authentic experiential learning at the high school and college levels. This event is free and open to the public; [registration](#) with AAAS is required. More information about AAAS and the annual meeting is [online](#).

BDN column cites UMaine study of ticks carrying Lyme disease

03 Feb 2021

A [Bangor Daily News](#) column by George Smith cited a University of Maine Cooperative Extension study that found 40% of ticks collected in Maine in 2019 carried Lyme disease.

Camire talks with Food Dive about the nutritional benefits of pumpkin seeds

03 Feb 2021

Mary Ellen Camire, a professor of food science and human nutrition in the School of Food and Agriculture at the University of Maine, spoke with [Food Dive](#) about the nutritional value of pumpkin seeds. Camire noted the seeds are good sources of fiber and magnesium. "Those are both nutrients that people need, especially if they have got Type 2 diabetes or prediabetes," Camire said.

Media highlight webinar for agriculture research updates

03 Feb 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#), [Morning Ag Clips](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) highlighted a Zoom meeting hosted by University of Maine Cooperative Extension that will offer five research updates specific to the agricultural industry. Register for the meeting, which will be held 7–8 p.m. Feb. 10, on the event [webpage](#).

Garder talks with WalletHub about safe driving, high-risk insurance

03 Feb 2021

[WalletHub](#) interviewed Per Garder, a University of Maine professor of civil and environmental engineering, for a story about high-risk insurance and avoiding risky driving behaviors.

Centralmaine.com features Glover column on weaknesses in labor policy revealed by pandemic

03 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) published an op-ed by Rob Glover, a University of Maine associate professor of political science and honors, suggesting that to reflect Maine values, the state's legal and legislative leaders must continue working to address workers' rights issues revealed by the pandemic.

Media report on flag raising, Black History Month activities at UMaine

03 Feb 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5), [Q106.5](#) and [WVII](#) (Channel 7) covered a Black Lives Matter flag raising at the University of Maine on Feb. 1, and previewed Black History Month activities sponsored by the Black Student Union, Fogler Library, the McGillicuddy Humanities Center and the New Balance Student Recreation Center, among others. [Centralmaine.com](#) highlighted the monthlong events at UMaine. [News Center Maine](#) talked with Kirsten Daley, a member of the Black Student Union at UMaine, who noted that while progress has been made, there is more work to be done. More information about Black History Month events is [online](#).

Media report UMS will improve COVID-19 testing

03 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Portland Press Herald](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), [WMTW](#) (Channel 8 in Portland), [Maine Public](#), [WVII](#) (Channel 7) and [WABI](#) (Channel 5) reported that the University of Maine System will temporarily halt asymptomatic COVID-19 testing of employees and students while testing provider Shield T3 addresses technical issues and works to reduce participant wait times. UMaine will conduct pilot testing with new procedures and sample labels on Feb. 4–5, and plans to resume the full testing schedule on Feb. 8.

Media advance app project from VEMI Lab group

03 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) reported on a research project to develop a smartphone app that will help people with visual impairments and seniors enjoy ride-sharing and ride-hailing with self-driving cars. A research group led by the Virtual Environments and Multimodal Interaction Laboratory (VEMI Lab) at the University of Maine is creating the app known as the Autonomous Vehicle Assistant (AVA), which will help users request, find and enter a vehicle using a multisensory interface that provides guidance through audio and haptic feedback and high-contrast visual cues. The [Bangor Daily News](#) and [News-Medical.net](#) shared the UMaine press release about the project.

New UMaine minor in professional skills for the liberal arts starts this fall

04 Feb 2021

The University of Maine College of Liberal Arts and Sciences will offer a new minor in professional skills for the liberal arts beginning in fall 2021. The program, designed for students in the UMaine College of Liberal Arts and Sciences pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degree, focuses on developing professional skills that enhance early career employment opportunities. The interdisciplinary, 21-credit professional skills for the liberal arts minor, which includes coursework in social psychology, leadership, statistics, communication (including training in presentation and speaking skills, professional writing, and coding or design), and an optional internship or co-curricular experience, supplements the strengths of a traditional education in the humanities, arts or social sciences. All B.A. students in the UMaine College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete a minor as part of their studies. The new professional skills minor affords students the opportunity to enrich and develop important professional skills and knowledge applicable to a broad range of potential career paths. The minor helps to define and develop the transferable skills of a liberal arts education and will enhance professional opportunities. “In acquiring a liberal arts education, students become critical thinkers, engaged citizens, and collaborative individuals with the resilience and flexibility to take on a variety of careers,” says Timothy Cole, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Surveys consistently show that these skills are among those most in demand by employers. The new professional skills for the liberal arts minor celebrates and builds on this skill set by addressing the fact that liberal arts careers, while rewarding, are often less linear and less directly tied to one’s studies than those which emerge out of technical or applied degrees. “There is extensive evidence that liberal arts graduates perform and earn well on the job market, especially long-term,” says Emily Haddad, dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. “While this new minor will provide students with important transferable skills, its deeper aim is to help students bring their learning in the liberal arts to the very earliest stages of their career, launching them into their first job out of college and toward a satisfying future in whatever profession they pursue.” For more information, contact associate dean Tim Cole, tmcole@maine.edu; 207.581.3844. Contact: Brian Jansen, brian.jansen@maine.edu

UMaine Extension, UNH Extension offer pruning webinar Feb. 10

04 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension will offer a webinar for home gardeners about the principles of pruning from 6–7 p.m. Feb. 10. “[The Science of Pruning](#)” will focus on proper pruning cuts for perennials based on factors including plant growth rate, flowering season and height. UNH Extension Education Center program coordinator Emma Erler will lead the workshop. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or receive a link to the recording. This is the third in a six-part [winter gardening webinar series](#) designed for Maine and New Hampshire gardeners offered every other Wednesday through March. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Pamela Hargest, 207.781.6099; pamela.hargest@maine.edu.

UMaine Extension offers research updates for agricultural industry Feb. 10

04 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer five research updates specific to the agricultural industry from 7–8 p.m. Feb. 10. Presentations by UMaine Extension assistant professor and plant pathologist Alicyn Smart, Maine Potato Board agronomist Jake Dyer, and UMaine graduate students Kedi Li, Sylvia Zhang and Tongling Ge are based on recent research supported by the Maine Potato Board. The event is free; registration is required to receive the link. Register on the [event webpage](#). Participants can earn one pesticide recertification credit and one CCA credit. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.554.4374 or stevenj@maine.edu.

UMaine Extension offers new cooking webinars in February

04 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer two new webinars about cooking with Maine foods from 2–2:45 p.m. Feb. 9 and Feb. 23. “[Cooking with the Maine Harvest](#)” opens with a webinar about how to use an electric pressure cooker, followed two weeks later with another webinar about reducing food waste in the home kitchen. Instructors share recipes and techniques in an interactive format in this webinar series, which continues through the spring. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [program webpage](#) to receive the link and resources. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Kate McCarty, 207.781.6099; kate.mccarty@maine.edu.

Media advance ‘Perfecting your Pitch’ workshop March 5

04 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [VillageSoup](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) advanced a University of Maine Hutchinson Center professional development workshop 10 a.m.–noon March 5. “Perfecting your Pitch” will help participants create a lasting impression and establish a virtual brand with specific actions, exercises and stories that build essential skills. More information about the webinar is [online](#).

Media advance wildlife, rodent control webinar Feb. 23

04 Feb 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#), [Morning Ag Clips](#), [Centralmaine.com](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar about methods of controlling rodents and wildlife on the farm 1–3 p.m. on Feb. 23. More information is [online](#).

Johnson talks with WAGM about benefits of webinars, previews Feb. 10 event

04 Feb 2021

[WAGM](#) (Channel 8 in Presque Isle) interviewed Steven Johnson, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension crop specialist, about the benefits of webinars including cost savings for participants and the continuing availability of information. Johnson also previewed a Feb. 10 event where extension staff will provide updates on current potato-related research. More information about the Feb. 10 webinar is [online](#). [MSN News](#) shared the WAGM story.

Media advance second meeting of ‘4-H for All’ club

04 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), the [Advertiser Democrat](#), [Centralmaine.com](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) promoted the second meeting of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension youth club, “4-H for All,” at 6 p.m. Feb. 17. The meeting is for youth ages 5–13 who are new to 4-H, or are interested in joining. More information is available [online](#).

Governor names Fernandez, Daigneault to forest carbon task force

04 Feb 2021

The [Office of the Governor](#) has announced that University of Maine faculty Ivan Fernandez and Adam Daigneault have been appointed to the Maine Forest Carbon Task Force. Forming a task force was recommended in the state’s new four-year climate action plan, [Maine Won’t Wait](#), to guide development of a voluntary program for small-to-medium size woodland owners who want to utilize their land for carbon sequestration. Fernandez, a professor, and Daigneault, an assistant professor, are affiliated with the School of Forest Resources. The [Piscataquis County Observer](#) and [Morning Ag Clips](#) also shared the state press release.

University of Maine announces fall 2020 Dean's List

05 Feb 2021

The University of Maine recognized 4,133 students for achieving Dean’s List honors in the fall 2020 semester. Of the students who made the Dean’s List, 2,670 are from Maine, 1,366 are from 38 other states and 97 are from 35 countries other than the U.S. Due to the unusual and challenging circumstances faced this semester amid the global pandemic, the university has modified its Dean’s List policy for the fall 2020 term. The requirement that students earn 12 calculable credits to be eligible for Dean’s List has been waived. Instead, students will be eligible 1) if they earned Dean’s List recognition in spring 2020 and have placed all of their fall 2020 courses on pass/fail; or 2) if they have earned a minimum GPA of a 3.5, regardless of the number of credits taken, in fall 2020. [Also available is a breakdown of the Dean's List by Maine counties.](#) *Please note that some students have requested that their information not be released; therefore, their names are not included.*

Last name	First name	City	State	Country
Abbotoni	Alyssa	Houlton	ME	
Abbott	Emily	Newport	VT	
Abbott	Hannah	Portland	ME	
Abbott	Matthew	Orrington	ME	
Abdirahman	Abdullahi	Portland	ME	
Abell	Madeline	Stoneham	MA	
Acharya	Arnav	Biratnagar Bazar		Nepal
Acheson	Erin	Arundel	ME	
Ackroyd	Jacob	Pittsfield	ME	

Adalja	Ram	New Canaan	CT	
Adam	Danny	Bangor	ME	
Adamo	John	Portland	ME	
Adams	Abby	Mendon	MA	
Adams	Caeryn	Riverside	RI	
Adams	Ileana	Stillwater	ME	
Adams	Jack	Westerly	RI	
Adams	Matthew	Irvine	CA	
Adams	Tom	Falmouth	ME	
Adetogun	FoFo	Regina	SK	Canada
Agatako	Au-Lionne	Naugatuck	CT	
Agneta	Dominic	Windham	ME	
Aidonidis	Alex	Stoneham	MA	
Aiello	Nick	Nashua	NH	
Aiken	Chloe	Westford	MA	
Aikman	Andrew	Sharon	MA	
Al Hejab	Mohammed	Orono	ME	
Ala	Madison	Orono	ME	
Alamro	Omar	Orono	ME	
Albanese	Joelle	Erwinna	PA	
Albee	Josh	East Machias	ME	
Albert	Belle	Ellsworth	ME	
Albert	Eli	York	ME	
Albert	John	Winn	ME	
Albutayyan	Abdullah	Orono	ME	
Aldus	Abraham	Fort Belvoir	VA	
Alexander	Cole	Brewster	MA	
Alexander	Peter	Waldoboro	ME	
Alexander	Tessa	Brunswick	ME	
Alexander	Wyatt	Ellsworth	ME	

Alford	Justin	Richmond	VA	
Alhamad	Abrar	Orono	ME	
Allen	Ainslie	Scarborough	ME	
Allen	Alex	Dresden	ME	
Allen	Cooper	West Gardiner	ME	
Allen	Elijah	Northwood	NH	
Allen	Jordan	Gorham	ME	
Allen	Sage	Ludlow	VT	
Allen	Tevin	Vanceboro	ME	
Allen	Tom	Whitman	MA	
Alley	Kaci	Jonesport	ME	
Alley	Ryan	Beals	ME	
Allie	Carigan	Scarborough	ME	
Allison	Josh	Veazie	ME	
Almansoori	Ahmed	Abu Dhabi		United Arab Emirates
Alo	Cyril	Bloomfield	NJ	
Alofs	Grace	Scarborough	ME	
Alqarni	Faisal	Orono	ME	
Alsaeedi	Ali	Orono	ME	
Alsamsam	Maher	Bangor	ME	
Alsamsam	Omar	Bangor	ME	
Alshuwaysh	Hassan	Orono	ME	
Altwater	Nolan	Milford	ME	
Alvarado	Avery	Readfield	ME	
Alward	Dustin	Mapleton	ME	
Ambeliotis	Maggie	Peabody	MA	
Ambrosio	Hannah	Northport	NY	
Amendola	Isabella	Westbrook	CT	
Amero	Katelyn	Mapleton	ME	
Ames	Ashley	Tamworth	NH	

Ames	Kyle	Southport	ME	
Ander	Marissa	Atlanta	GA	
Andersen	Amalie	Herning		Denmark
Andersen	Mike	Beverly	MA	
Andersen	Paige	Hermon	ME	
Anderson	Ashley	Southwest Harbor	ME	
Anderson	Bonnie	Harrisville	NH	
Anderson	Caitlyn	Lincoln	ME	
Anderson	Erik	Ipswich	MA	
Anderson	Gus	Phippsburg	ME	
Anderson	Jessie	Merrimac	MA	
Anderson	John	Bangor	ME	
Anderson	Luke	Williamsburg	VA	
Andle	Josh	Bangor	ME	
Andrews	Aidan	Cushing	ME	
Andrews	Bryce	South Portland	ME	
Andrews	Caitlyn	Sidney	ME	
Andrews	Eric	Spencer	MA	
Andrews	Heather	Hancock	ME	
Andrews	Nate	Brockport	NY	
Andrews	Zach	Somersworth	NH	
Androlewicz	Connor	Lewiston	ME	
Angelo	Edward	Troy	ME	
Antoms	Miks	Riga		Latvia
Antonio	Angela	Framingham	MA	
Applebee	MaryEllen	Old Town	ME	
Arbo	Tyler	Newburgh	ME	
Archambault	Dakota	Concord	NH	
Archer	Jakob	Hampden	ME	
Ardito	Ava	Belgrade	ME	

Arego	Tim	Medway	MA	
Arey	Erin	Gorham	ME	
Arey	Kara	Old Town	ME	
Arford	Jesse	Brunswick	ME	
Arman	Katelyn	Moorhead	MN	
Armitage	Gwenyth	Falmouth	ME	
Armstrong	Izzy	Falmouth	ME	
Arno	Madi	Bangor	ME	
Arnold	Corbett	Lincoln	ME	
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Arsenault	Katherine	New Gloucester	ME	
Arsenault	Laura	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Arsenault	Lyndsey	Windham	ME	
Arsenault	Megan	Stetson	ME	
Arsenault	Ray	Amesbury	MA	
Artkop	Mikayla	Searsmont	ME	
Ashe	Megan	Colchester	CT	
Ashe	Nicole	Williamstown	VT	
Asherman	Davis	Eddington	ME	
Ashfield	Connor	Bangor	ME	
Atreus	Rachele	Oklahoma City	OK	
Atwater	Cyd	Bangor	ME	
Aubin	Tyler	Plaistow	NH	
Audet	Scott	Bangor	ME	
Audibert	Lily	Dedham	ME	
Aughe	Zach	Clarkston	MI	
Austin	Jared	Brewer	ME	
Austin	Jay	South China	ME	
Austin	Kaleb	Orono	ME	

Austin	Katherine	Sanford	ME	
Austin	Kathryn	Brewer	ME	
Avena	Sydney	East Lyme	CT	
Averill	Collin	Brewer	ME	
Avery	Emily	Laconia	NH	
Avery	Nick	Bradley	ME	
Ayala	Rico	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Ayers	Michael	Waterville	ME	
Ayvazian	Zach	Wilmington	MA	
Baartvedt	Mille Sofie	Oslo		Norway
Babbidge	Ellen	Bangor	ME	
Baber	Georgia	Gorham	ME	
Babson	Molly	South China	ME	
Bachner	Dan	Gorham	ME	
Bacica	Michael	Phoenix	AZ	
Backstrom	Sadie	Middleton	MA	
Bacon	Jack	Reading	MA	
Badstubner	Anna	Shrewsbury	MA	
Baert	Devon	North Waterboro	ME	
Bacz-Vazquez	Estephanie	Waterville	ME	
Bagley	Abby	Newport	ME	
Bagley	Ethan	Veazie	ME	
Baiguy	Mikayla	Orono	ME	
Bailey	Douglas	Andover	ME	
Bailey	Ethan	Spring Lake	NJ	
Bailey	Jordan	Corinna	ME	
Bailey	Ken	Amesbury	MA	
Bailey	Madi	Topsham	ME	
Bailey	Michael	Holden	ME	
Bailey	Olivia	Walpole	MA	

Bairos	John	Taunton	MA	
Baiungo	Anna	Searsmont	ME	
Baker	Abbie	Phippsburg	ME	
Baker	John	Sterling	MA	
Baker	Josh	Pittsfield	ME	
Baker	McKenna	Hermon	ME	
Baldwin	Anna	Hampden	ME	
Baldwin	Connor	Hollis Center	ME	
Balfe	Carly	Hanson	MA	
Balmas	Rachael	Hermon	ME	
Balsley	Kayla	Summit	NJ	
Baltazar	Raz	Bath	ME	
Bambe Cyuzuzo	Vanessa	Nyanza		Rwanda
Bamford	Hannah	Rochester	NH	
Bamford	Olivia	Rochester	NH	
Bangs	Madi	South Paris	ME	
Banko	Brianna	Annandale	NJ	
Banks	Grace	Naples	ME	
Banks	Jalen	West Hartford	CT	
Banks	Nicolas	Old Town	ME	
Banner	Alexis	Port Charlotte	FL	
Bannerman	Ellie	New Sharon	ME	
Bao	Lei	Chalan Pago	GU	Guam
Barakat	Sarah	Mount Laurel	NJ	
Baranowski	Juliana	Falmouth	ME	
Baratta	Sydney	Elbridge	NY	
Barbosa	Tiernan	Caribou	ME	
Barbour	Julia	Rockland	ME	
Barboza	Liv	Cumberland	RI	
Bardini	Ilaria	Salem	MA	

Barker	Ashley	Levant	ME	
Barney	Gretchen	Falmouth	ME	
Barney	Holly	Falmouth	ME	
Baron	Joseph	Milford	PA	
Baron	Nicholas	Old Town	ME	
Barrett	Kaila	Berlin	MA	
Barrett	Kaleb	Freeport	ME	
Barrett	Steven	Lynnfield	MA	
Barry	Jordyn	Peabody	MA	
Barry	Nick	Kennebunk	ME	
Barry	Trevor	West Townsend	MA	
Barry Grant	Castine	Brewer	ME	
Bart	Juliana	Portland	ME	
Barter	Molly	Falmouth	ME	
Bartlett	Jonathan	Guilford	CT	
Bartlett	Quinn	Carmel	ME	
Bartow	Evan	Green Lake	WI	
Basabinka	Gilbert	South Portland	ME	
Basich	Skylar	Wood Ridge	NJ	
Basile	Matthew	Saco	ME	
Basile-Maslowe	Jasper	Newton Center	MA	
Bass	Gabe	Portsmouth	RI	
Bassett	Isabel	Auburn	ME	
Bate	Julia	Hermon	ME	
Bates	Aidan	Burrillville	RI	
Batron	Rebecca	Exeter	ME	
Batsimm	Jay	Orono	ME	
Batson	Nathanael	Fairfield	ME	
Bauer	Chris	Merrimac	MA	
Baur	Alex	Windham	ME	

Bausemer	Evan	Quincy	MA	
Bazzie	Fofie	Old Town	ME	
Beady	Peyton	Weymouth	MA	
Beal	Lilia	Cape Neddick	ME	
Beal	Sierra	Tenants Harbor	ME	
Beals	Allie	Chelmsford	MA	
Bean	Julia	Norfolk	MA	
Beason	Jalyssa	Scarborough	ME	
Beaton	Zachary	Hermon	ME	
Beaucage	Andrew	Waldoboro	ME	
Beauchamp	Scott	Bath	ME	
Beauchesne	Jacob	Dracut	MA	
Beauchesne	Madeline	Shapleigh	ME	
Beaulieu	Caitlyn	Sanford	ME	
Beauregard	Dylan	Wellesley	MA	
Beauregard	Mark	Avon	CT	
Beauregard	Sean	Chelmsford	MA	
Beckshaw	Marie	Haverhill	MA	
Bedsole	Isaiah	Abington	MA	
Beirne	Collin	Milford	CT	
Belanger	Shelby	Madison	ME	
Belden	Chris	North Billerica	MA	
Beliveau	Victoria	Auburn	ME	
Bell	Brad	Clifton	ME	
Bell	Chandler	Caribou	ME	
Bell	Connor	Gorham	ME	
Bell	Hunter	Gardiner	ME	
Bell	Katie	Newport	ME	
Bell	Rebecca	Skowhegan	ME	
Bellavance	Cindy	Sanford	ME	

Bellavance	Jade	Sanford	ME	
Bellavance	Meaghan	Danielson	CT	
Bellefleur	Alexis	Auburn	ME	
Belleville	Hannah	Salem	CT	
Beltz	Alexandra	Sleepy Eye	MN	
Belz	Stephanie	Manchester	NH	
Bender	Ally	Seal Harbor	ME	
Bendo	Klei	Tirana		Albania
Benham	Brett	Brooklin	ON	Canada
Bennett	Abigail	Brewer	ME	
Bennett	Cooper	Hampden	ME	
Bennett	Dalena	Westbrook	ME	
Bennett	David	Topsfield	MA	
Bennett	Drew	Brewer	ME	
Bennett	Emma	Bucksport	ME	
Bennett	Kenzie	Calais	ME	
Bennett	Kevin	Belmont	MA	
Bennett	Meggie	Medway	MA	
Benning	Montana	Waterloo	WI	
Bennoch	Connor	West Bath	ME	
Benson	Bruce	Westfield	MA	
Benson	Courtney	Holden	ME	
Benson	Gabby	Chelsea	ME	
Benson	Tamra	Turner	ME	
Bentivegna	Judy	Mahopac	NY	
Bentley	Lucas	Gardiner	ME	
Benttinen	Hunter	Pittsfield	ME	
Bentzinger	Joshua	Camden	ME	
Beressi	Cam	Orono	ME	
Bergdoll	Abi	Burnham	ME	

Berger	Elin	Concord	NC	
Berger	Hadley	Camden	ME	
Bergeron	Lucas	Topsham	ME	
Bermeo	Grace	Biddeford	ME	
Bernard	Elizabeth	Uxbridge	MA	
Bernard	Joe	Uxbridge	MA	
Bernero	Kyle	Upton	MA	
Bernier	Hannah	Raymond	ME	
Bernstein	Gage	Augusta	ME	
Berry	Graham	Ashland	ME	
Berry	Josh	Hermon	ME	
Berry	Melanie	Morrill	ME	
Berry	Mike	Cornville	ME	
Bertolini	Andrew	Cape Neddick	ME	
Bertsch	Thomas	Westerly	RI	
Berube	Peter	Andover	MA	
Berwick	Kyle	Gorham	NH	
Bess	Evan	Madison	ME	
Bessette	Wendy	Mystic	CT	
Best	Kate	Braintree	MA	
Betterley-Dow	Emma	Old Town	ME	
Bewley	Justin	Forked River	NJ	
Beyer	Cyrus	Concord	MA	
Bezgembluk Mena	Lindy	Bangor	ME	
Bhatta	Priyanshu	Orono	ME	
Bickel	Savannah	Manahawkin	NJ	
Bickford	Gabby	Springvale	ME	
Bickford	Leyton	Springvale	ME	
Bieling	Tristan	Warwick	NY	
Bifulco	Hope	Camden	ME	

Bigelow	Leif	Guilford	VT	
Bigelow	Sera	Durham	ME	
Bigosinski	Rem	Wilton	CT	
Bilella	James	Berlin	NJ	
Bilello	Lara	Sayville	NY	
Billiter	Mikayla	Hebron	CT	
Bilodeau	Andrew	Brooks	ME	
Bilodeau	Chloe	Westwood	NJ	
Binette	Tanner	Leeds	ME	
Birchler De Allende	Ian	Alexandria	VA	
Birri	Nicole	Shrewsbury	MA	
Bishop	Tabitha	Orland	ME	
Bisson	Adrien	Cornwall	ON	Canada
Bista	Bivek	Damak		Nepal
Bjork	Katie	Bangor	ME	
Black	Hayden	Hermon	ME	
Black	Isaac	Brooks	ME	
Blackwell	Emily	Rockport	ME	
Blain	Caroline	Brewer	ME	
Blair	Liam	Tucson	AZ	
Blair	Madeline	Bethlehem	PA	
Blakeman	Lilly	Bradley	ME	
Blanchard	Dawsin	Gray	ME	
Blanchard	Grace	Orrington	ME	
Blanchard	Jared	Barre	VT	
Blanchard	Lizzie	Gorham	ME	
Blanchette	Jess	Sudbury	MA	
Blanchette	Jonny	New Canada	ME	
Bland	Lindsay	Ellsworth	ME	
Blankenship	Forrest	Brunswick	ME	

Blankenship-Livi	Carmel	Orono	ME	
Blatt	Tobyn	Brunswick	ME	
Bleakney	Allison	Old Town	ME	
Blier	Ethan	South Portland	ME	
Blodgett	Miranda	Lowell	MA	
Blood	Ben	Orono	ME	
Bloom	Sydney	Scarborough	ME	
Bloomer	Tim	Milford	MA	
Blouin	Sam	Augusta	ME	
Blutt	Julia	Milton	MA	
Bobrova	Victoria	Podebrady		Czech Republic
Bobrowski	Joseph	Bloomsbury	NJ	
Bocage	Shyne	Tracy	CA	
Bock	Phil	Yarmouth	ME	
Bodkin	Porter	Acton	ME	
Bogner	Molly	Milford	MA	
Bohun	Tahj	Mashpee	MA	
Boissonneault	Owen	Saco	ME	
Bolduc	Andrew	Winslow	ME	
Bolduc	Connor	Lewiston	ME	
Bolduc	Dylan	Portland	ME	
Bolender	Dan	East Waterboro	ME	
Boles	Ryan	South Portland	ME	
Bolognani	Evan	Plymouth	NH	
Bolvin	Sam	Skowhegan	ME	
Bombacini	Rafael	Colorado Springs	CO	
Bonanno	Allie	Burlington	MA	
Bond	Kacie	Blue Hill	ME	
Bonilla	Ruby	Dover	NH	
Bonner	Derek	Norwood	MA	

Bonnevie	Sam	Cumberland Center	ME	
Boone	Christian	Glenburn	ME	
Boos	Meghan	Naples	ME	
Boria	Isabelle	Charlton City	MA	
Borley	Mia	Dover		United Kingdom
Borodaenko	Danila	Camden	ME	
Boswell	Ainslie	Las Cruces	NM	
Bouchard	Emily	Syracuse	NY	
Bouchard	Nathan	Houlton	ME	
Boucher	Abby	Carmel	ME	
Boucher	Hana	Presque Isle	ME	
Boucher	Isaac	New Portland	ME	
Boucher	Jenna	Greene	ME	
Boucher	Matthew	Eddington	ME	
Boudreau	Olivia	Norwich	CT	
Boudreau	Ryan	Holden	ME	
Bound	Allwynne	Deep River	CT	
Bourdon	Sarina	Hudson	NH	
Bourett	Claire	Waldoboro	ME	
Bourgoin	Alex	Madawaska	ME	
Bourque	Casey	Gardiner	ME	
Bourque	David	Biddeford	ME	
Bourquin	Sam	West Hartford	CT	
Boutin	Andrew	Orono	ME	
Bovee	Dayton	Amesbury	MA	
Bowen	John	Norway	ME	
Bowen	Kate	Norway	ME	
Bowen	Katherine	Rockport	ME	
Bowers	Matt	Melrose	MA	
Bowie	Thom	Orono	ME	

Bowker	Katelynn	Eddington	ME	
Bowman	Shawn	Bear	DE	
Boyer	Cory	Lancaster	OH	
Boynton	Emily	Thomaston	ME	
Bradbury	Brayden	Bridgewater	ME	
Bradfield	Amelia	Sidney	ME	
Bradfield	Lydia	Sidney	ME	
Bradford	Christian	Eddington	ME	
Bradford	Maggi	Standish	ME	
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Bradley	Sammie	Kittery	ME	
Bradley	William	Stockton Springs	ME	
Bradstreet	Erin	Brunswick	ME	
Bradstreet	Leah	Pittsfield	ME	
Bradt	Garret	Rockford	IL	
Brady	Gabe	Dennysville	ME	
Braga	Haley	Stockton Springs	ME	
Braga	Samuel	Auburn	ME	
Bragdon	Emma	Eddington	ME	
Bragg	Kate	Winterport	ME	
Bramanti	Joey	North Andover	MA	
Brands	Justin	Hudsonville	MI	
Brandt	Eli	Lee	NH	
Brann	Autumn	Old Town	ME	
Brann	Brittany	Hampden	ME	
Brasile	Jenna	East Haddam	CT	
Braun	Jeremy	Wallingford	CT	
Bray	Caroline	Needham Heights	MA	

Bray	Connor	Cumberland Center	ME	
Brayson	Katie	Orono	ME	
Breau	Christien	Orono	ME	
Breen	Lynden	Saint John	NB	Canada
Breitnauer	Thomas	Denver	CO	
Brennan	Alexa	Belgrade	ME	
Brennan	Kyle	Harpswell	ME	
Brennan	Noah	Wakefield	MA	
Brennan	Peter	Westford	MA	
Brennan	Riley	Manasquan	NJ	
Bresnahan	Andrea	Maynard	MA	
Brethauer	Maddy	West Chicago	IL	
Breton	Bianca	Greenville	ME	
Breunig	Danielle	Windham	ME	
Brewer	Meredith	Greene	RI	
Brich	Tea	Glenwood	NJ	
Brickman	Lily	Fort Kent	ME	
Bridges	Graham	Wells	ME	
Briggs	Alex	Peru	ME	
Briley	Anna	Cumberland Center	ME	
Brillant	Karlie	Topsham	ME	
Brilliant	Shaun	Standish	ME	
Brindisi	Sarah	Trumbull	CT	
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Brinn	Declan	Searsmont	ME	
Brissette	Nicole	Bangor	ME	
Brittain	Katie	Wilton	ME	
Brock	Maggie	Waterville	ME	
Broderick	Ava	Lincoln	ME	
Brogna	Ashleigh	Woburn	MA	

Brooks	Abbie	Mahwah	NJ	
Brooks	Ben	Monmouth	ME	
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Brooks	Kelsey	Cushing	ME	
Brooks	Leah	Orrington	ME	
Brooks	Noah	Old Town	ME	
Brooks	Ryan	North Andover	MA	
Brouder	Kat	Litchfield	NH	
Broughton	Alana	Hermon	ME	
Brower	Ivadell	Brookline	MA	
Brown	Alex	Orono	ME	
Brown	Andrew	Gorham	ME	
Brown	Ashley	Richmond	ME	
Brown	Bethany	Oakville	CT	
Brown	Burdette	Whiting	ME	
Brown	Caden	Manchester	ME	
Brown	Camryn	Orono	ME	
Brown	Cassidy	Garland	ME	
Brown	Heather	Riegelsville	PA	
Brown	Henry	Acton	MA	
Brown	John	Bangor	ME	
Brown	Kaitlyn	Weare	NH	
Brown	Kaylin	Winslow	ME	
Brown	Kendall	Allison Park	PA	
Brown	Matt	Clinton	ME	
Brown	Mel	East Weymouth	MA	
Brown	Nina	West Roxbury	MA	
Brown	Noah	Carthage	ME	
Brown	Ruby	Bar Harbor	ME	
Brown	Shannon	Medford	MA	

Brown	Zoe	Brewer	ME	
Brule	Emily	Merrimack	NH	
Bruneski	Dawson	New Norway	AB	Canada
Brunken	Shannon	Stony Brook	NY	
Brunton	Chris	Old Town	ME	
Bryant	Cole	Farmingdale	ME	
Bryant	Nathan	Cumberland Center	ME	
Brydges	Grace	Brewer	ME	
Bryer	Graham	Boothbay	ME	
Bubolz	Sal	Okemos	MI	
Buchanan	Morgan	Orono	ME	
Bucknor	Tiana	Milton	ON	Canada
Budri	Natalia	Portland	ME	
Budway	Emma	Scarborough	ME	
Buendia	Juno	Groton	CT	
Bui	Morgan	Ottawa	ON	Canada
Bunker	Danny	Bucksport	ME	
Burby	Noah	Winterport	ME	
Burch	Isabel	Woolwich	ME	
Burch	Tristan	Woolwich	ME	
Burgason	Johanna	Old Town	ME	
Burhoe	Pamela	Hancock	ME	
Burk	Owen	Denmark	ME	
Burkard	Lauren	Stockton Springs	ME	
Burke	Alaina	Old Town	ME	
Burke	Christopher	Norwell	MA	
Burke	Tammy	Canaan	ME	
Burmeister	Rory	Ellsworth	ME	
Burnham	Jaden	Lisbon	ME	
Burns	Delaney	Gorham	ME	

Burns	Haley	Gorham	ME	
Burns	Kayla	Saco	ME	
Burris	Brandon	Orono	ME	
Burse	Sarah	Naugatuck	CT	
Burt	Lucas	Bangor	ME	
Burt	Travis	Windham	ME	
Burtis	Max	Brunswick	ME	
Bush	Clayton	Warren	NJ	
Bush	Emma	Blacksburg	VA	
Bush	Matt	Holden	ME	
Buskey	Elly	Hyannis	MA	
Buswell	Carly	Levant	ME	
Butala	Simon	Downingtown	PA	
Butler	Damon	Freeport	ME	
Butler	Mary	Holden	ME	
Buxton	Brooke	Veazie	ME	
Buzby	Noa	Orono	ME	
Byers	Ryan	Hermon	ME	
Byorak	Ben	Brewer	ME	
Byrne	Emily	Standish	ME	
Cabral	James	Vaughan	ON	Canada
Caccese	Anthony	Levant	ME	
Cadorette	Abby	Bangor	ME	
Cadorette	Cameron	Saco	ME	
Caldwell	Ethan	Albion	ME	
Call	Abby	Kenduskeag	ME	
Call	Ricco	Newry	ME	
Callahan	Ivalani	Waterboro	ME	
Callahan	Mikaela	Waterboro	ME	
Callanan	Courtney	South Berwick	ME	

Callas	Jacob	Brooks	ME	
Camino	Daniel	Brewer	ME	
Camire	Brooke	Acton	ME	
Camire	Summer	Sanford	ME	
Campbell	Alyse	Corinth	ME	
Campbell	Jackson	Orono	ME	
Campbell	Killian	Kittery	ME	
Campbell	Margaret	San Diego	CA	
Campbell	Sujonna	Puyallup	WA	
Campion	Ryan	Kittery	ME	
Canavan	Nora	West Roxbury	MA	
Canders	Lily	Brewer	ME	
Canelli	Hailey	Braintree	MA	
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Canning	Kailee	West Gardiner	ME	
Canty	Myia	Windham	ME	
Caouette	Zach	Topsham	ME	
Capuzzi	Clare	Morris Plains	NJ	
Caragine	Cat	Norwalk	CT	
Carbone	Emma	Richmond	ME	
Caret	Eli	Oakland	ME	
Carey	Sean	North Attleboro	MA	
Carignan	Abbey	Saco	ME	
Carl	Jack	Bedford Hills	NY	
Carlson	Aidan	Wiscasset	ME	
Carlson	Guy	Grand Rapids	MN	
Carmichael	Chase	Bucksport	ME	
Carmichael	Reade	Falmouth	ME	
Carmone	Syerra-Marie	Berkley	MA	
Caron	Lydia	Glenburn	ME	

Caron	Maya	Stratton	ME	
Carotenuto	Amanda	Acton	MA	
Carpenter	Erica	Trumbull	CT	
Carpenter	John	Portland	ME	
Carpenter	Ken	Hermon	ME	
Carreira	Kat	Eddington	ME	
Carrien	Caleb	Barre	VT	
Carrier	Devon	Calais	ME	
Carrier	Kayla	Burlington	CT	
Carriere	Brooke	Aurora	ON	Canada
Carroll	Hope	Portland	ME	
Carroll	Maeve	Oakton	VA	
Carroll	Natalie	Colchester	CT	
Carrolton	William	Bath	ME	
Carson	Hunter	Orono	ME	
Carter	Avery	Auburn	ME	
Carter	Bailey	Tewksbury	MA	
Carter	Isaiah	Harrison	ME	
Carter	Max	Bangor	ME	
Cartonio	Sophia	Westbrook	ME	
Cartwright	Joy	Ellsworth	ME	
Cartwright	Sam	Veazie	ME	
Caruson	Jacob	Bangor	ME	
Carver	Haley	Sidney	ME	
Carver	Lauren	Emmitsburg	MD	
Casalino	Carissa	North Providence	RI	
Casburn	Garrett	Old Town	ME	
Casella	Angie	Old Town	ME	
Casey	Andrea	Tribes Hill	NY	
Casey	Darby	Bellmawr	NJ	

Casey	Mal	Turner	ME	
Cashman	Stella	Winterport	ME	
Cassidy	Ethan	Fort Fairfield	ME	
Castillo Garcia	Annabel	Coral Gables	FL	
Castillo Parkman	Kassidy	Falmouth	ME	
Castonguay	Abby	Livermore	ME	
Castonguay	Rachel	Wayne	ME	
Castro	Cameron	Stoughton	MA	
Castro	Dillon	Tolland	CT	
Cates	Ethan	Brewer	ME	
Catuogno	Angelina	Newport	VT	
Caunter	Rebecca	Lowell	MA	
Cavanaugh	Katie	West Gardiner	ME	
Caverhill	Cullin	Caribou	ME	
Caverly	Connor	South Berwick	ME	
Caviglia	Nicholas	Fresno	CA	
Cavo	Maura	Springfield	VA	
Cawston	Kailey	West Roxbury	MA	
Cayford	Lindsay	Skowhegan	ME	
Cecelya	Jack	Hudson	MA	
Cedor	Hailey	North Kingstown	RI	
Cellini	Renee	Whitman	MA	
Cerny	Leslie	Saint Louis	MO	
Chahley	Peyton	Hampden	ME	
Chalifoux	Olivia	Kirkland	QC	Canada
Chalmers	Brooke	Framingham	MA	
Chamberland	Alexandria	Hampden	ME	
Chamberlin	Mary	Bar Harbor	ME	
Chambers	Caitlin	Topsham	ME	
Champagne	Hailey	Lewiston	ME	

Champagne	Lizzy	Poland	ME	
Chanapatdaychaporn	Zarni	Old Town	ME	
Chandler	Nicole	Lee	ME	
Chapin	Emily	Gorham	ME	
Chaplin	Jacob	Blackstone	MA	
Chaplin	Louise	Northeast Harbor	ME	
Chapman	Jonathan	Sharon	NH	
Chapman	Lauren	Exeter	ME	
Chappelle	Tim	Boothbay Harbor	ME	
Chaput	Sarah	Lewiston	ME	
Chard	Brewster	Topsham	ME	
Charest	Samantha	Penobscot	ME	
Charette-LaBreque	Abbey	Bangor	ME	
Charlebois	Caleigh	Orono	ME	
Charrier	Megan	Sanford	ME	
Chase	Henry	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Chase	Mackenzie	Chesapeake	VA	
Chasse	Benjamin	Hampden	ME	
Chasse	Brandon	Bangor	ME	
Chasse	Camden	Old Town	ME	
Chasse	Hunter	West Gardiner	ME	
Chavaree	Alanna	Old Town	ME	
Cheadle	Quintin	Olney	MD	
Chen	Esther	Auburn	ME	
Cheng	Peng	Ashland	ME	
Chern	Lara	Webster	NH	
Cherry	Haley	Whiting	ME	
Chick	Camryn	Orono	ME	
Childs	Lindsey	Palermo	ME	
Chiles	Jamie Leigh	North Andover	MA	

Chin	Jade	Stillwater	ME	
Cholod	Kyle	Portland	ME	
Chouinard	Ben	Windham	ME	
Chozick	Rachel	West Hartford	CT	
Christakis	Colby	Gorham	ME	
Christian	Logan	Hampden	ME	
Christiansen	Catherine	Naples	ME	
Christiansen	Erik	Naples	ME	
Christianson	Devin	Old Town	ME	
Christie	Turner	Nahant	MA	
Christopher	Marcus	Skowhegan	ME	
Chuang	Kun-Han			Taiwan, Province of China
Ciaffaglione	Aiden	Southington	CT	
Ciance	Michael	Contoocook	NH	
Ciesielski	Kate	Duxbury	MA	
Ciola	Jenna	Bethany	CT	
Cirignano	Leann	Pembroke	MA	
Cirone	Stephen	Jonesport	ME	
Cisowski	Michaela	Torrington	CT	
Clark	Billy	Oakdale	CT	
Clark	Conlan	Reading	MA	
Clark	Eli	Milford	ME	
Clark	Hannah	Mapleton	ME	
Clark	John	Windham	ME	
Clark	Sarah	Berlin	NH	
Clark	Saylor	Bedford	NH	
Clark	Syeira	Lancaster	MA	
Clark	Timothy	Groveland	MA	
Claudio	Sophia	Little Rock	AR	
Clay	Madi	Bangor	ME	

Cleary-Reuning	Jess	Eliot	ME	
Cleaves	Julianna	Bar Harbor	ME	
Cleaves	Megan	Winterport	ME	
Clement	Evie	Falmouth	ME	
Clement	Libby	Monmouth	ME	
Clements	Lindsay	Newburgh	ME	
Clemons	Hannah	Harpswell	ME	
Cliffe	Julia	Woolwich	ME	
Clifford	Ava	Portland	ME	
Clifford	Brittney	East Thetford	VT	
Climo	Cassidy	Bradley	ME	
Cline	Tori	Bangor	ME	
Clinton	Baxter	Winterport	ME	
Closson	Christina	Bernard	ME	
Clough	Julia	Rockland	ME	
Cloutier	Amanda	Brunswick	ME	
Cloutier	Samantha	Orono	ME	
Cloutier	Sarah	Waterboro	ME	
Clukey	Peter	Portland	ME	
Cobb	Katie	Fairfield	ME	
Coburn	Jamie	Orono	ME	
Cochran	Dakota	North Yarmouth	ME	
Coffey	Devin	Lincoln University	PA	
Coffin	Jonah	Sudbury	MA	
Cogley	Peter	Roxbury	ME	
Cohn	Emmersen	Oregon City	OR	
Coker	Kassidy	Bakersfield	CA	
Colby	Marybeth	Gloucester	MA	
Colby	Sadie	Sidney	ME	
Cole	Braeden	Kittery	ME	

Cole	Denise	Taunton	MA	
Cole	James	Belfast	ME	
Cole	Jeremy	Bucksport	ME	
Cole	Michela	Killingworth	CT	
Colella	Mike	Waterville	ME	
Coleman	Natalie	Bucksport	ME	
Colley	Libby	Bangor	ME	
Collier	Caroline	Charlestown	MA	
Collins	Caroline	Brewer	ME	
Collins	Claire	Enfield	CT	
Collins	Michael	Plymouth	MA	
Collins	Rebecca	Presque Isle	ME	
Colonna	CJ	Methuen	MA	
Colson	Delaney	Rutland	MA	
Colter	Emily	Hampden	ME	
Comeau	Alli	Ipswich	MA	
Comeau	Lindsey	Winslow	ME	
Comeau-Waite	Lily	Stillwater	ME	
Comfort	Hannah	Winslow	ME	
Commeau	Jessica	Bangor	ME	
Comtois	Abigail	Warwick	RI	
Conant	Jenna	Rockland	ME	
Conant	Jill	Canton	ME	
Concannon	Amelia	Lee	NH	
Condon	Lacy	Bangor	ME	
Conley	James	Standish	ME	
Conlow	Jim	Mount Laurel	NJ	
Connolly	Caeli	Elizabethtown	PA	
Connolly	Iris	Agoura Hills	CA	
Connolly	Laura	Jamaica Plain	MA	

Connor	Haley	Bucksport	ME	
Connor	Mackenzie	Orono	ME	
Conrad	Michael	Kennebunkport	ME	
Constantine	Alexandra	Scarborough	ME	
Conway	Kjer	Rutland	VT	
Conway	Maia	Rutland	VT	
Cooley	Brian	Blackwood	NJ	
Cook	Abbi	Saco	ME	
Cook	Brian	Norway	ME	
Cook	Colby	Amesbury	MA	
Cook	Isabella	Scarborough	ME	
Cook	Karen	Greene	ME	
Cook	Ron	Hudson	ME	
Cooke	Chris	Portland	ME	
Cookson	Timothy	West Gardiner	ME	
Cooper	Charlie	Hope	ME	
Cooper	Collin	Acton	MA	
Cooper	Jocelyn	Boxford	MA	
Cooper	Karissa	New Hartford	CT	
Cooper	Mackenzie	Acton	MA	
Corcoran	Jack	Middleton	MA	
Cordes	Jess	Huntington Station	NY	
Cormican	Meghan	Quincy	MA	
Cormier	Kettie Rose	Tolland	CT	
Cornish	Carly	Topsham	ME	
Coro	Connor	Gorham	ME	
Coro	Whitney	Norridgewock	ME	
Corrado	Michael	Medford	MA	
Correia	Erica	Middleboro	MA	
Cortez	Nicole	Deer Isle	ME	

Corthell	Delaney	Concord	NH	
Cossar	Casey	Stetson	ME	
Cossette	Emma	Quebec	QC	Canada
Costa	Isabella	Taunton	MA	
Costello	Sarah	Old Town	ME	
Cote	Cam	Orono	ME	
Cote	Jacob	Bangor	ME	
Cote	Sam	Pawtucket	RI	
Cote	Vanessa	Rumford	ME	
Cotner	Stella	Saint Paul	MN	
Cotton	Ben	Glenburn	ME	
Cotton	Jared	Framingham	MA	
Couch	Corinne	Mount Rainier	MD	
Courser	Madi	Warner	NH	
Courtney	Steven	Searsport	ME	
Courtois	Madi	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Couture	Abby	Berwick	ME	
Couture	Brian	South Berwick	ME	
Couture	Ethan	Dixfield	ME	
Covino	Ariana	Milford	MA	
Cowan	Katherine	Barnet	VT	
Cox	Matthew	Bar Harbor	ME	
Coxen	Amber	Dayton	ME	
Coyle	Solei	Dover	NH	
Coyne	Joe	Yarmouth	ME	
Cozatt	Darin	Troy	OH	
Craig	Lucas	Ashland	ME	
Cramer	James	Bangor	ME	
Crapo	Morgan	Orono	ME	
Crawford	Emma	Bridgton	ME	

Crawford	Vincent	Wells	ME	
Cray	Ashley	Readfield	ME	
Creamer	Mac	Chelsea	ME	
Creaser	Max	Auburn	ME	
Credit	Alicia	New Gloucester	ME	
Cressey	Anna	Kennebunk	ME	
Crick	Chad	Medford	MA	
Crider	Nathalia	Palmetto	FL	
Crone	Jennifer	Kenduskeag	ME	
Cronin	Garrett	York	ME	
Cronin	Hanna	Methuen	MA	
Cros	Cherl	Gloucester	MA	
Crosier	Wendy	Portland	ME	
Cross	Alexander	Bangor	ME	
Crossman	Fallon	Hampden	ME	
Crowley	Ben	Norwich	CT	
Crump	Skye	Orono	ME	
Crusham	Michael	Old Town	ME	
Cummings	Brandon	Gorham	ME	
Cummings	Caid	Brewer	ME	
Cummings	Julia	Brewer	ME	
Cummings	Kasey	Gorham	ME	
Cunningham	Maya	Stoneham	MA	
Cunningham	Miranda	Newport	ME	
Cunningham	Will	Portland	ME	
Cupp	Emma	Concord	MA	
Curran	Claire	Pine Island	NY	
Currie	Emily	Orono	ME	
Currie	Rissa	Colchester	CT	
Curro	Tiffany	Biddeford	ME	

Curry	Mitchell	Middletown	CT	
Curtis	Hunter	Richmond	ME	
Curtis	Kyle	New Gloucester	ME	
Cushing	Riley	Nobleboro	ME	
Cushman	Grace	Pownal	ME	
Cusick	Rebecca	West Warwick	RI	
Cusson	Lauren	Eliot	ME	
Cutshall	Genna	Trenton	ME	
Cyr	Alec	Caribou	ME	
Cyr	Devin	Westbrook	ME	
Cyr	Gabriela	Bangor	ME	
Cyr	Harrison	Orrs Island	ME	
Cyr	Jake	East Waterboro	ME	
Cyr	John	Old Town	ME	
Cyr	Kallie	Westbrook	ME	
Cyr	Matt	Madawaska	ME	
Cyr-Brophy	Joseph	Falmouth	ME	
Czuchra	Nicholas	Searsmont	ME	
Czwakiel	Andrew	Springfield	VT	
D'Amato	Marco	Rockport	ME	
D'Ambrosio	Tyler	Queensbury	NY	
D'Angelo	Gabe	Kennett Square	PA	
D'Arcy	Josh	Salisbury	MA	
D'Entremont	Drew	Gloucester	MA	
Dacey	Ellie	Hampden	ME	
Dagher	Joseph	Veazie	ME	
Dahan	Lior	Wayland	MA	
Dahlberg	Cooper	Presque Isle	ME	
Daigle	Andre	Caribou	ME	
Daigle	Hayden	Union	ME	

Daigle Thompson	Juliette	Bangor	ME	
Daigneault	Ben	Poland	ME	
Daigneault	Daigs	Winslow	ME	
Dailey	Ben	Portland	ME	
Dailey	Lillian	Camden	ME	
Dalton	Abbie	Portland	CT	
Dalton	Alec	Hudson	MA	
Dalton	Elizabeth	Lamoine	ME	
Daly	Cameron	Brunswick	ME	
Daly	Tommy	Bangor	ME	
Daly-O'Donnell	Keegan	Walpole	ME	
Damboise	Claudia	Old Town	ME	
Damboise	Oliviah	Old Town	ME	
Damboise	Sairah	Winterport	ME	
Damren	Austin	Rome	ME	
Danby	Sarah	Bangor	ME	
Danforth	Abbey	Gray	ME	
Daniels	Garrett	Falmouth	ME	
Daniels	Leah	Augusta	ME	
Danielson	Natalie	Philadelphia	PA	
Danner	Ben	Waterville	ME	
Dapprich	Susanna	Lawrence Township	NJ	
Daries	Eve	Brewer	ME	
Dau	Alyssa	Bowdoinham	ME	
Daub	Elyse	Hampden	ME	
Dauphinee	Sam	Bradley	ME	
Davenport	James	Cumberland Center	ME	
Davey	Jocelyn	Burlington	CT	
Davids	Leila	Hampden	ME	
Davies	Kristin	Groveland	MA	

Davis	Amanda	Middleboro	MA	
Davis	Chloe	Houlton	ME	
Davis	Elizabeth	Gray	ME	
Davis	Gwen	Bangor	ME	
Davis	Hana	Delta	BC	Canada
Davis	Jennifer	Kingfield	ME	
Davis	Kaylin	Livingston	CA	
Davis	Kelsey	Pittsburgh	PA	
Davis	Nick	Auburn	ME	
Davis	Sam	Belfast	ME	
Davis	Tara	Bangor	ME	
Davis	Taylor	South Portland	ME	
Davis	Tyler	Lyman	ME	
Davison	Emily	North Waterboro	ME	
Davoli	Noah	Scarborough	ME	
Davy	Linah	Bingham	ME	
Dawe	Adam	Gander	NL	Canada
De Jesus	Jaira Mariz	Summit	NJ	
de Souza	Jamie	Medford	MA	
de Vries	Dylan	Marblehead	MA	
Dean	Allie	Hermon	ME	
Dean	Allison	Madison	ME	
Dean	Jenny	Madison	ME	
Dean	Lauren	Glenburn	ME	
Deans	Zoe	Belmont	ME	
DeBlois	Brandon	Smithfield	RI	
DeCataldo	Mark	Charlestown	RI	
DeGrave	Byron	Bangor	ME	
Delaney	Arianna	Mansfield	MA	
Delano	Chloe	Portland	ME	

Delano	Sarah	Houlton	ME	
Delisle	Grace Marie	Cumberland Center	ME	
DellaRatta	Sarah	Orono	ME	
DelMonico	Justin	North Andover	MA	
Delmonte	Sarah	West Brookfield	MA	
Delorge	Michael	Biddeford	ME	
Delpino	Daniela	Old Town	ME	
DelVecchio	Kellie	Exeter	RI	
Demanche	Alyssa	Brunswick	ME	
DeMarchi	Chris	River Vale	NJ	
DeMarte	Venae	Naperville	IL	
DeMoranville	Maddie	Exeter	ME	
DeMoura	Ethan	Berwick	ME	
Dempsey	John	Gillette	NJ	
Denbow	Emma	Harrington	ME	
Denholm	Bradley	Old Town	ME	
Denico	Aubrey	Standish	ME	
Denico	Sadie	Standish	ME	
Dennis	Brooke	Bangor	ME	
Denny	Nick	Rockport	ME	
DePuy	Brianna	Levant	ME	
Deschenes	Jeffrey	Amesbury	MA	
DesJardin	Nancy	Winterport	ME	
Desjardins	Claudia	Bangor	ME	
Desjardins	Erica	Bangor	ME	
Desmond	Evan	Stockholm	ME	
Desmond	Evan	Windham	ME	
Despres	Abigail	Fayette	ME	
Despres	Nicole	Berwick	ME	
Devallance	LouLou	Jersey City	NJ	

Dever	Griffin	Bath	ME	
Dever	Jack	Woburn	MA	
DeVoe	Garrett	Gorham	ME	
Dewaard	Ross	Hope	ME	
Dezii	Paul	Haddon Township	NJ	
Dhungana	Aashish	Bhaktapur		Nepal
Dias	Miguel	Hillside	NJ	
Diaz	Maddie	Scarborough	ME	
DiBello	Ben	Ipswich	MA	
DiBiase	Francesca	Hollis Center	ME	
DiBiase	Lauren	South Portland	ME	
DiChiara	Jennifer	Burlington	CT	
Dickson	Lauren	Arundel	ME	
Diehl	Amos	Orrington	ME	
Dieuveuil	Jennifer	Chambersburg	PA	
DiFederico	Gina	Milford	CT	
DiFilippo	Ally	Essex Fells	NJ	
DiGirolamo	Emma	Belgrade	ME	
Dill	Hannah	Saco	ME	
DiMinno	David	Brewster	NY	
Dineen	Maeve	Beverly	MA	
Dingley	Rachel	Hebron	CT	
Diodato	William	New York	NY	
Dionne	Alex	Scarborough	ME	
Dionne	Chris	Scarborough	ME	
Dionne	Colby	Raymond	ME	
Dionne	Jake	Concord	MA	
DiPreta	Tony	Norwalk	CT	
DiSalvatore	Ben	Orono	ME	
DiSpirito	Dominique	Woonsocket	RI	

Dixon	Carolyn	Andover	MA	
Dixon	Elliot	Albion	ME	
Dixon	Kimberly	Bangor	ME	
Dixon	PhilAnn	Wallingford	PA	
Dixson	Sequoia	Locke	NY	
Doak	Kenny	Perkasie	PA	
Dobbs	Rachel	Bangor	ME	
Dobrzynski	Paige	Orono	ME	
Dobson	Liam	perth	ON	Canada
Docos	Gunnar	Harrison	ME	
Dodge	Lauren	Orono	ME	
Dodge	Lindsey	Lee	ME	
Dodge	Sarah	Lee	ME	
Doherty	Anthony	Marshfield	MA	
Doherty	Jessica	Braintree	MA	
Doherty	Joe	Chelmsford	MA	
Doherty	Zac	Milton	MA	
Doiron	Rhiannon	Westbrook	ME	
Dolan	Claudia	Pottstown	PA	
Doliber	Tyler	Acton	ME	
Domin	Natalie	Freeport	ME	
Donahue	Ashley	Chelmsford	MA	
Donahue	Connor	Saco	ME	
Donaldson	Allie	Etna	ME	
Donicker	Logan	Middletown	PA	
Donnelly	Jon	Old Town	ME	
Donnelly	Sinead	Cotuit	MA	
Donovan	Emma	Quebec	QC	Canada
Dore	Becky	Grantham	NH	
Dorey	Sarah	Dedham	ME	

Doty	Will	Ellsworth	ME	
Doucette	Logan	Bradley	ME	
Doughty	Katie	Winslow	ME	
Doughty	Sara	Winslow	ME	
Dow	Delaney	Ellsworth	ME	
Dow	Ian	Manchester	ME	
Dow	Kylie	Sebec	ME	
Dowd	James	Leopold	MO	
Dowling	Kate	Saco	ME	
Downey	Declan	Dedham	MA	
Downing	Emma	Carrabassett Valley	ME	
Downing	Patrick	Natick	MA	
Downs	Nolan	Dixfield	ME	
Doyle	Jake	South Berwick	ME	
Doyle	Kellen	Orono	ME	
Doyle	Maddie	Brimfield	MA	
Drayer	Mallory	Hummelstown	PA	
Drazhi	Daniel	Orono	ME	
Drew	Freya	Lafayette	NJ	
Drews	Kelby	Milo	ME	
Drexler	Ashley	Orono	ME	
Drinkert	Daisy	Orono	ME	
Driscoll	Megan	Chelmsford	MA	
Driscoll	Paige	South Windsor	CT	
Drislane	Harrison	Lynnfield	MA	
Dritschilo	Hannah	Brunswick	ME	
Drobot	AJ	Southampton	PA	
Duarte	Stephanie	Brownville	ME	
Dube	Meagan	Caribou	ME	
Dubeau	Max	Douglas	MA	

Duer	Nicholas	Geneva	IL	
Duffy	Nick	South Portland	ME	
Duffy	Treasa	Hanson	MA	
Dugal	Elena	Orono	ME	
Dugal	Jenna	Madawaska	ME	
Dugal	Trevor	Brewer	ME	
Dulac	Chantel	Lewiston	ME	
Dullaert	Emma	South Burlington	VT	
Dumas	Jazlyn	Lewiston	ME	
Dumas	Mitch	Stillwater	ME	
Dumont	Karineh	Williamsburg	VA	
Dunbar	Ashton	Lee	ME	
Dunham	William	Scarborough	ME	
Dunlap	Emily	Old Town	ME	
Dunn	Evan	Orono	ME	
Dunn	Vanessa	Orono	ME	
Dunson-Todd	Malcolm	Belfast	ME	
Dunton	Dyllon	Pittsfield	ME	
Duong	Vy	Portland	ME	
Duplisea	Brad	Millinocket	ME	
Duplisea	Christopher	Orono	ME	
Duplissie	Aubrey	Brewer	ME	
Dupuis	Peter	Northbridge	MA	
Durepo	Sydney	Presque Isle	ME	
Durkee	Olivia	Oakland	ME	
Durkin	Caileigh	Barrington	RI	
Dustin	Aaron	Bowdoin	ME	
Dustin	Zane	Minot	ME	
Dwelley	Lynn	Lincoln	ME	
Dwyer	Emily	North Reading	MA	

Dyer	Alex	Buxton	ME	
Dyer	Guthrie	Portland	ME	
Dyer	Hannah	Hermon	ME	
Dyer	Rachael	Westbrook	ME	
Dziewietin	Meryl	Worcester	MA	
Eason	Hannah	Winthrop	ME	
Easterbrooks	Phillip	Winthrop	ME	
Eastlack	Lauren	Rangeley	ME	
Eastman	Gunnar	Bangor	ME	
Eberly	Maddie	Lititz	PA	
Echevarria	Adam	Westport	CT	
Eckert	Olivia	Canton	CT	
Edgerly	Emily	Madison	ME	
Edwards	Lauren	Gorham	ME	
Edwards	Marissa	Scarborough	ME	
Edwards	Troy	Norridgewock	ME	
Egan	Spenser	Bowdoinham	ME	
Egbert	Summer	Brick	NJ	
Eichen	Robert	Pensacola	FL	
Eichorn	Rosemary	Hebron	ME	
Eichorn	Victoria	Hebron	ME	
El Ouadi	Ameir	Ocoee	FL	
Elbrolosy	Abdelrahman	Auburn	ME	
Elhefnawi	Mustafa	Bangor	ME	
Elkouram	Sarah	Medford	MA	
Elliot	Greg	Passadumkeag	ME	
Ellis	Chandler	Vienna	ME	
Ellis	William	Vienna	ME	
Ellsmore	Brian	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Elsemore	Lauren	South Portland	ME	

Elvidge	Janet	Orono	ME	
Emanuel	Will	Falmouth	ME	
Emerson	Brittany	Bangor	ME	
Emery	Josh	Newport	ME	
Emmertz	Colby	Casco	ME	
Enck	Abby	Gorham	ME	
Enos	Kya	Taunton	MA	
Eramian	Matthew	Boonton	NJ	
Erb	Christopher	Readfield	ME	
Erickson	Kipp	Newburyport	MA	
Erikson	Theo	Orono	ME	
Erlandson	Tatum	Orono	ME	
Ertle	Nate	Essex Junction	VT	
Esber	Ethan	Byfield	MA	
Espinal	Annabel	Methuen	MA	
Estrach	Liron	Tel Aviv		Israel
Ettinger	Andrew	Hollis Center	ME	
Evangelista	Danika	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Evangelista	Jaclyn	Stoughton	MA	
Evans	Avery	Virginia Beach	VA	
Evans	Katie	Bucksport	ME	
Evans	Mckenzie	Old Town	ME	
Everett	Alexis	Chelsea	ME	
Ewer	Caleb	Orono	ME	
Fabel	Catherine	Eden Prairie	MN	
Fabrizio	Anthony	Auburn	ME	
Facey	Rushanne	Ellsworth	ME	
Fagnano	Joe	Williamsport	PA	
Faherty	Kaylee	Scarborough	ME	
Fahey	Maggie	Hampstead	NH	

Falcone	Frankie	Pembroke	MA	
Falkner	Chloe	Standish	ME	
Fallon	Caitlyn	Warwick	RI	
Fallow	Garrett	Sedgwick	ME	
Fargo	Allie	Bow	NH	
Faria	Jake	Waldoboro	ME	
Farmer	Jake	Rangeley	ME	
Farnese	Bella	Auburndale	MA	
Farnham	Matt	Hermon	ME	
Farnsworth	Courtney	Cornville	ME	
Farnsworth	Jordan	Princeton	MA	
Farrell	Erin	Saco	ME	
Farrell	Kenzie	Framingham	MA	
Farrington	Alex	Gray	ME	
Farrington	Grace	Orono	ME	
Farrington	Koby	Lincoln	ME	
Farwell	Kristin	Windham	ME	
Fatica	James	Houston	TX	
Faunce	Will	Limington	ME	
Favreau	Gretchen	Falmouth	ME	
Favreau	Hannah	Bethel	CT	
Fazendin	Carly	Montclair	NJ	
Feely	Michael	South Portland	ME	
Feenstra	Rachel	Ellington	CT	
Feeny	Chloe	Cochranville	PA	
Feero	Nick	Old Town	ME	
Feid	Julia	North Attleboro	MA	
Feix	Jon	Bangor	ME	
Felix	Julia	Oak Bluffs	MA	
Feltman	Trevor	Easton	CT	

Feren	Alex	Dover	NH	
Ferguson	Conor	Orono	ME	
Ferguson	Maia	Poland	ME	
Fernandez	Grace	Carmel	IN	
Ferouni	Faissal	Danvers	MA	
Ferrauolo	Nick	Wallingford	CT	
Ferreira	Will	Cranberry Isles	ME	
Ferrell	Fiona	Falmouth	ME	
Ferrell	Hannah	Bucksport	ME	
Ferri	Cassie	Springfield	MA	
Ferris	Amber	Peru	ME	
Ferris	Michael	Alexander	ME	
Festa	Gregg	Oakland	NJ	
Fetha	Allison	Hermon	ME	
Field	Julia	Princeton	MA	
Filer	Collette	Bangor	ME	
Finch	Lily	Bangor	ME	
Findlen	Austin	New Sweden	ME	
Findley	Beca	Seymour	CT	
Finley	Grace	Kittery	ME	
Fiore	Alexiis	Portland	ME	
Fiore	Anthony	Bangor	ME	
Firnges	Dom	Medway	MA	
Firstenberg	Jessica	Marlton	NJ	
Fiscus	Carson	Scituate	MA	
Fishbein	Matthew	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Fishburn	Hannah	Charleston	ME	
Fisher	Abigail	Auburn	ME	
Fisher	John	Sparrows Point	MD	
Fisher	Zoe	Beverly	MA	

Fiske	Will	South Easton	MA	
Fitch	Anna	Cumberland Center	ME	
Fitch	Elijah	Liberty Hill	TX	
Fitts	Abbie	Carmel	ME	
Fitts	Madison	Pittsfield	ME	
Fitzgerald	Garrett	Holden	ME	
Fitzgerald	Minwin	Brewer	ME	
Fitzgerald	Patrick	Millville	MA	
Fitzmaurice	Ryan	Bath	ME	
Fitzpatrick	Conor	Mansfield	MA	
Fitzpatrick	Emma	Fayette	ME	
Fitzpatrick	James	Dayton	ME	
Fitzpatrick	Kevin	Bristol	ME	
Fitzpatrick	Liv	Buzzards Bay	MA	
Fitzpatrick	Rylee	Patten	ME	
Flaherty	Chase	Saint George	ME	
Flaherty	Matthew	Jamaica Plain	MA	
Flaherty	Stephen	Durham	NH	
Flanagan	Joshua	Brunswick	ME	
Flannery	Michael	Concord	MA	
Flannery	Zachary	Hampden	ME	
Fleenor	Mikaela	Orono	ME	
Fleischner	Leah	Trumbull	CT	
Fleming	Patrick	Enfield	CT	
Flessen	Ivy	Oswego	IL	
Flewelling	David	Topsham	ME	
Flint	Sam	Danvers	MA	
Flores	Jada	Winchester	MA	
Florio	Haley	Butler	NJ	
Flubacher	Tara	Winter Harbor	ME	

Fluet	Griffin	Cumberland Center	ME	
Fluta	Matt	Oxford	NJ	
Flynn	Bridget	Quincy	MA	
Flynn	Colin	Danbury	CT	
Flynn	James	Lewiston	ME	
Fogarty	Kelly	Walpole	MA	
Fogg	John	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Foglio	Evan	Waterboro	ME	
Foglio	Sam	Shapleigh	ME	
Foisy	Jack	Seekonk	MA	
Foley	Orla	Old Town	ME	
Foley	Tara	Pembroke	MA	
Folger	Claudia	South Berwick	ME	
Follansbee	Kate	Scarborough	ME	
Follett	Ben	Cumberland Center	ME	
Folley	Anna	South Portland	ME	
Fong	Kylie	Hope	ME	
Fontaine	Bronte	Brunswick	ME	
Fonzi	Nick	Ipswich	MA	
Ford	Ethan	Appleton	ME	
Ford	Grant	Belfast	ME	
Ford	Sean	Sutton	MA	
Foreman	Haley	Portland	ME	
Forgue	Taylor	Winthrop	ME	
Fosgate	Jeffrey	Lyman	ME	
Foss	A.J.	Solon	ME	
Foster	Margo	Newport Center	VT	
Foster	Olivia	Wolcott	VT	
Fountain	Alex	Liberty	ME	
Fournier	Alden	Old Town	ME	

Fournier	Andrew	Bangor	ME	
Fournier	Angelina	Orono	ME	
Fournier	Cole	Biddeford	ME	
Fournier	Jordan	Buxton	ME	
Foust	Sarah	Pittston	ME	
Fowler	Camden	Newtown	CT	
Fowler	Lexie	Bangor	ME	
Fowles	Sydney	Brownville	ME	
Fox	Claudia	Owls Head	ME	
Fox	Jette	Glen Allen	VA	
Foye	Eliza	Eliot	ME	
Frahn	Spencer	Auburn	ME	
Francis	Landyn	Bangor	ME	
Francis	Luca	Old Town	ME	
Francis-Mezger	Dominic	Searsport	ME	
Francoeur	Josh	Marblehead	MA	
Frank	Josh	South Portland	ME	
Franklin	Megan	Milford	ME	
Fraser	Caiden	West Bath	ME	
Fraser	Caitlin	Brewer	ME	
Frazer	Devin	Danbury	NH	
Frazier	Lindsay	Buxton	ME	
Frechette	Amren	Windham	ME	
Frederick	Kaydin	Thomaston	ME	
Frederick-Bittner	Evan	Annapolis	MD	
Fredericks	Carly	Orono	ME	
Freedberg	Chana	Bangor	ME	
Freedman	Emily	Portland	ME	
Freedman	Noah	Peabody	MA	
Freedman	Richard	Eddington	ME	

Freeman	Cam	Manchester	ME	
Fremouw	Kell	Orono	ME	
French	Audrie	Hampden	ME	
French	Jasmine	New Gloucester	ME	
French	Nathaniel	Stow	MA	
French	Rebecca	Topsham	ME	
Freudenberger	Laura	Palmyra	ME	
Fricke	Jake	Woods Hole	MA	
Friedman	Harry	Mashpee	MA	
Fritz	Sam	Georgetown	MA	
Frost	Natalie	Winthrop	ME	
Frost	Noah	Caribou	ME	
Frost	Stephanie	Bangor	ME	
Fuller	Megan	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Furlong	Julia	Weymouth	MA	
Furrow	Lilly	Bangor	ME	
Futrelle	Lindsey	Orono	ME	
Gaboury	Danielle	Cranston	RI	
Gabrielsen	Chris	Southampton	NY	
Gadsby	Gabby	Blue Hill	ME	
Gagne	Alyssa	Minot	ME	
Gagne	Harley	Orrington	ME	
Gagner	Amelia	Durham	CT	
Gagnon	A.J.	Epsom	NH	
Gagnon	Alec	Brewer	ME	
Gagnon-Victor	Eliott	Ellsworth	ME	
Gahris	Michael	Garland	ME	
Gaidola	Alexander	Topsham	ME	
Gaines	Susannah	Lexington	MA	
Gakuru	Nshuti	Orono	ME	

Gale	Chloe	Biddeford	ME	
Galgano	Sierra	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Gallagher	Colleen	Attleboro	MA	
Galletta	Quinn	Manchester	ME	
Galli	Michael	South Hamilton	MA	
Gallup	Kyla	Portland	ME	
Gamache	Gabrielle	Colchester	CT	
Gamache	Shelby	Hermon	ME	
Gammaitoni	Demetri	Auburn	ME	
Ganzel	Autumn	Linneus	ME	
Garala	Caleb	New Hartford	CT	
Garber	Daniel	Harrison	ME	
Gardner	Marlowe	Ambler	PA	
Garfein	Laura	Walnut Creek	CA	
Garfield	Jeffrey	Lowell	ME	
Garfield	Rebecca	Brockton	MA	
Garifal	William	Massapequa	NY	
Garmony	Raquel	Hillside	NJ	
Garrison	Sydney	Mars Hill	ME	
Gartley	Jared	South China	ME	
Gaston	Imani	Suffolk	VA	
Gates	Jordyn	South Paris	ME	
Gaudette	Brady	Braintree	MA	
Gauntt	Ti	Milo	ME	
Gause	Tom	Bangor	ME	
Gauvin	Emile	Burien	WA	
Gazerro	Eddie	Coventry	RI	
Ge	Steven	Orono	ME	
Gebhart	Jacob	Cranston	RI	
Gehring	Cory	Granger	IN	

Gelb	David	Manalapan	NJ	
Gendreau	Nate	Gray	ME	
Genereux	Adam	Sanford	ME	
Genoter	Melissa	Townsend	MA	
Genrich	Loren	Bar Harbor	ME	
Geohegan	Remi	Bangor	ME	
George	Benaiah	Putnam	CT	
Gerace	Michael	Bel Air	MD	
Gerencer	Alex	Carrabassett Valley	ME	
Gernhard	Maddy	Spring	TX	
Gerrie	Elyana	Corinna	ME	
Gervais	Mikki	Sabattus	ME	
Gervais	Olivia	Frenchville	ME	
Gessner	Bridget	Huntingdon Valley	PA	
Ghadanfar	Yousef	Kuwait City		Kuwait
Giardina	Emmy	Windham	NH	
Gibson	Nicole	Middletown	CT	
Gichana	Maria	North Andover	MA	
Giffault	Paige	Stonington	CT	
Giglio	Mary	Falmouth	ME	
Giguere	Emily	Oakland	ME	
Giguere	Jaimie	Scarborough	ME	
Gil	Annika	South China	ME	
Gilboe	Austin	Orono	ME	
Gillespie	Ethan	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Gillespie	Kobey	Calais	ME	
Gillespie	Sydney	Rochester	NH	
Gillette	Andrew	Brewer	ME	
Gilliam	Eliza	Biddeford	ME	
Gillis	Kenzie	Glenburn	ME	

Gilman	Rachel	Cream Ridge	NJ	
Gilmore	Callie	Marshfield	MA	
Gilmore	Caroline	Groton	MA	
Gilmore	Erin	Dedham	MA	
Gilmore	Lydia	Bangor	ME	
Gilpatric	Riley	Auburn	ME	
Gilson	Hank	Topsham	ME	
Ginn	Jesse	Bucksport	ME	
Ginsburg	Max	Webster	MA	
Girard	Lucas	Biddeford	ME	
Girgis	Jacob	Madison	ME	
Giroux	Anna	Westbrook	ME	
Giroux	Sydney	Portland	ME	
Gladstone	Deanna	Stamford	CT	
Glass	Chris	Peabody	MA	
Glass	Ryan	Topsham	ME	
Glatter	Tim	Orono	ME	
Gleason	Madison	Wake Forest	NC	
Glueck	Molly	Oakland	ME	
Godbout	Nathan	Hebron	ME	
Godinez	Joe	Tarentum	PA	
Gogan	David	Littleton	ME	
Goldberg	Mckenzie	Bellingham	MA	
Goldberg	Riley	Mount Prospect	IL	
Goldenberg	Tiger Lily	Lebanon	ME	
Goldman	Luke	Toms River	NJ	
Goldsmith	Josh	Phillipsburg	NJ	
Gombos	Ben	Oakland	ME	
Gomes	Jordan	York	ME	
Goncalves Da Silva	Luiz	Malden	MA	

Gonzalez-Tenga	Isa	Bangor	ME	
Good	Elyse	Walpole	MA	
Good	Julia	Presque Isle	ME	
Goodale	Jesse	Lincolnton	ME	
Goodenough	Turner	Eliot	ME	
Goodman	Connor	Miami Beach	FL	
Goodwin	Drew	Bass Harbor	ME	
Goodwin	Mike	Danvers	MA	
Gordon	Drew	Litchfield	ME	
Gordon	Ricky	North Anson	ME	
Goss	Bay	South Berwick	ME	
Goss	Brenden	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Goss	Jenna	Waterville	ME	
Gosselin	Avery	Burnham	ME	
Gosselin	Brandon	Augusta	ME	
Gosselin	Luke	Saco	ME	
Goulet	Hanna	Springvale	ME	
Goulette	Joey	York	ME	
Goulette	Nathanael	Turner	ME	
Goyette	Nelson	New Gloucester	ME	
Grace	Emma	Rockville Centre	NY	
Graham	Grace	Cary Plantation	ME	
Graham	Jackson	Pembroke	MA	
Grant	Alli	Berwick	ME	
Grant	Emalee	Union	ME	
Grant	Emelia	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Grant	Katelyn	Orrington	ME	
Gravel	Kaitlyn	Brewer	ME	
Graves	Chance	Newport	ME	
Graviss	Victor	Gray	ME	

Gray	Jasmine	La Mirada	CA	
Gray	Melissa	Belfast	ME	
Gray	Sam	Rockland	MA	
Greco	Avery	Lewiston	ME	
Green	Adam	Orono	ME	
Green	Sheldon	Barkhamsted	CT	
Greenberg	Kyle	Barrington	RI	
Greene	Becca	Lubec	ME	
Greenlaw	Kathleen	Bangor	ME	
Greenlaw	Tyla	Steep Falls	ME	
Greenlee	Aidan	Cumberland Center	ME	
Greenlee	Amelia	Cumberland Center	ME	
Greenlee	Liam	Cumberland Center	ME	
Greenwood	James	Lewiston	ME	
Gregory	Aidan	Gardiner	ME	
Gregory	Jasmine	Winslow	ME	
Gregory	Jordan	Minot	ME	
Gregory	Luke	Carver	MA	
Gresh	Jack	Windham	ME	
Grey	Sam	Plymouth	MA	
Greystone	Garrett	Verona	NJ	
Griffin	Brenda	Wells	ME	
Griffin	Eric	Springvale	ME	
Griffin	Morgan	Berwick	ME	
Griffin	Sara	Parlin	NJ	
Griffith	Matthew	Stillwater	ME	
Griffiths	Eva	Portland	ME	
Griffiths	Sarah	Old Town	ME	
Grillo	Sarah	Bryant Pond	ME	
Grillo	Vito	Revere	MA	

Grilo	Britney	Bradford	NH	
Grimwood	Samantha	Greenbush	ME	
Grindle	George	Orono	ME	
Grindle	Megan	Old Town	ME	
Grindle	Riley	Ellsworth	ME	
Grogan	Leann	New Hartford	CT	
Grondin	Kyaira	Yarmouth	ME	
Grondin	Noah	Yarmouth	ME	
Grous	Emma	Ashford	CT	
Grover	Ethan	Bangor	ME	
Grunden	Paige	Granville	OH	
Grunwald	Abigail	Port Matilda	PA	
Grzywacz	Amira	Manchester	NH	
Guarnieri	Martin	Belgrade	ME	
Guay	Zack	Biddeford	ME	
Guen	Brandon	Braintree	MA	
Guerrette	Nickolas	Caribou	ME	
Guevara	Ruby	McHenry	IL	
Gugig	Max	Montclair	NJ	
Guidi	Dan	Bangor	ME	
Guimond	Andrew	Orono	ME	
Guisado	Rich	Northport	NY	
Gundermann	Sara	Palmyra	PA	
Gunster	Brennan	Duxbury	MA	
Gunville	Mary Kate	Yarmouth	ME	
Gusciora	Matt	Orono	ME	
Gusmanov	Yan	Oakland	ME	
Gustafson	Andrew	Middletown	RI	
Gustavesen	Julia	Upton	MA	
Gutheinz	Izzy	Camden	ME	

Guy	Henry	Worthington	OH	
Guy	Whitney	Kenduskeag	ME	
Gylstorff	Caroline	Risskov		Denmark
Ha	Trizzie	Gray	ME	
Haase	Julia	Reading	MA	
Habibzai	Rohullah	Windham	ME	
Haded	Rebecca	Burlington	MA	
Hadley	Jordan	Madison	ME	
Hagarman	Sydney	Bangor	ME	
Hagerty	Erin	Loudon	NH	
Haggerty	Jillian	Houlton	ME	
Hagin	Amber	Warren	ME	
Hainer	Ainsley	Lincoln	ME	
Hale	Glenice	Bangor	ME	
Hale	Molly	Cumberland Center	ME	
Haley	Alyson	Hudson	MA	
Haley	Caitlin	Plymouth	MA	
Haley	Emily	Portland	ME	
Hall	Aidan	North Andover	MA	
Hall	Chappy	Brunswick	ME	
Hall	Danielle	Sidney	ME	
Hall	Jacqueline	Owls Head	ME	
Hall	Kayla	Eagle River	AK	
Hall	Rachael	Bangor	ME	
Hallagan	Isabelle	Falmouth	ME	
Halle	Maegan	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Hallett	Alexis	Brooklin	ME	
Hallett	Laura	Pembroke	MA	
Hallett	Tholia	Falmouth	ME	
Halliday	Jason	Falmouth	ME	

Hallinan	Steve	Beverly	MA	
Hamblen	Sammy	Searsport	ME	
Hamel	Grace	Hermon	ME	
Hamer-Nagle	Ezra	Bangor	ME	
Hamilton	Cal	Orono	ME	
Hamilton	Colby	Ellsworth	ME	
Hamilton	Erik	Monroe	ME	
Hamilton	Jess	Orono	ME	
Hamilton	Joshua	Alton	ME	
Hammill-Nordfors	Camryn	Bangor	ME	
Hammond	Caroline	Auburn	ME	
Hamzavi	Paul	Falmouth	ME	
Hancock	Ryan	Orono	ME	
Hand	Jessica	Chelmsford	MA	
Handlon	Ryan	Lewiston	ME	
Hanes	Tanner	Caribou	ME	
Hanington	Sarah	Lincoln	ME	
Hanlon	Madeline	North Smithfield	RI	
Hanna	Mackenzie	Lamoine	ME	
Hanscom	Darren	Orrington	ME	
Hanscom	Emily	Bethel	ME	
Hansen	Andrew	Middleton	MA	
Hanson	Tim	Wrentham	MA	
Hanson	Trevor	Diamond	IL	
Harden	Ian	Augusta	ME	
Harding	Brady	Howland	ME	
Harding	Seth	Biddeford	ME	
Hardison	Kaori	Aurora	CO	
Hardison	Tanner	Waltham	ME	
Hardy	Amy	Deer Isle	ME	

Hardy	Caitlyn	Exeter	ME	
Hargraves	Cam	Sun Prairie	WI	
Hargrove	Hannah	Sidney	ME	
Harkins	Logan	Saco	ME	
Harman	Grace	Veazie	ME	
Harmatys	Grace	Livermore	ME	
Harmon	Danielle	Lincoln	RI	
Harmon	Sierra	Winslow	ME	
Harper	Caleb	Madison	ME	
Harper	Luke	Madison	ME	
Harriett	TyQuaja	Myrtle Beach	SC	
Harriman	Emily	Belfast	ME	
Harriman	Jw	Prospect	ME	
Harrington	Elizabeth	Garland	ME	
Harrington	Emalee	Bethel	ME	
Harrington	Jack	York	ME	
Harris	Anthony	Nazareth	PA	
Harris	Brandon	Brooklyn	NY	
Harris	Brendan	Hanover	MA	
Harris	Carli	Shrewsbury	MA	
Harris	Dorothy	Sinclair	ME	
Harris	Justin	Bangor	ME	
Harris	Shailey	Windham	NH	
Hart	Cooper	Waterville	ME	
Hart	Kai	Camden	ME	
Hartley	Grant	Auburn	ME	
Hartley	Madisyn	Pittsfield	ME	
Hartley	Sofia	Poland	ME	
Hartman	Avis	Princeton	ME	
Hartt	Bill	Carmel	ME	

Hartt	Sadie	Mount Chase	ME	
Harvey	Alex	Bolton	CT	
Harwood	Tyler	Brewster	MA	
Harzewski	Matt	Dixmont	ME	
Hase	Niklas	Buxton	ME	
Haskell	Ryan	Stockton Springs	ME	
Haskell	Victoria	Bangor	ME	
Hathaway	Caitlin	Orono	ME	
Haughton	Dylan	Bangor	ME	
Haven	Jamie	South Berwick	ME	
Haverty	Erin	Fitchburg	MA	
Haviland	Luck	Norway	ME	
Hawkins	Hannah	Glens Falls	NY	
Hawksley	Allison	Bangor	ME	
Hayden	Jessica	Milford	ME	
Hayden	Mike	Brewer	ME	
Hayes	Aidan	North Yarmouth	ME	
Hayes	Bianca	Island Park	NY	
Hays-Peterson	Katrina	Syracuse	NY	
Hayward	Abigail	Bangor	ME	
Hazelton	Ian	Leominster	MA	
Hazlewood	Jaclyn	Westbrook	ME	
Head	Brittany	Denison	TX	
Healy	Maggie	Portland	ME	
Hebert	Ben	Madawaska	ME	
Hebert	Bobby	Scituate	MA	
Hebert	Cheyenne	Stockton Springs	ME	
Hebert	Dylan	Barre	VT	
Hebert	Evan	Madawaska	ME	
Hebert	Keri	Madawaska	ME	

Hecht	Orion	Montpelier	VT	
Heffernan	Bailey	Old Town	ME	
Heft	William	Buda	TX	
Heikkinen	Kaisa	Paris	ME	
Heins	Mackenzie	Old Town	ME	
Heiny	Andrew	Ellsworth	ME	
Helal	Malak	Orono	ME	
Helfen	Kaitlyn	Brewer	ME	
Helman	Emma	Wilton	CT	
Hemond	Corry	Portland	ME	
Henderson	Jill	Bangor	ME	
Henderson	Kathryn	Hartford	ME	
Henderson	Sam	Orono	ME	
Hendricks	Shea	Falmouth	ME	
Hendrickson	Sheila	Wilmington	DE	
Hendrigan	Emily	Brockton	MA	
Hennie	Jacob	Rancho Cucamonga	CA	
Henri	Cassandra	Orono	ME	
Henriquez	Donnell	Harrisburg	PA	
Hepler	Ada	Orono	ME	
Herbert	Molly	Woburn	MA	
Hernandez	Nathaniel	Auburn	ME	
Hersey	Mickey	Brewer	ME	
Hersey	Tyler	Brewer	ME	
Hershbine	Nicholas	Exeter	ME	
Herzig	Elizabeth	Colrain	MA	
Hess	Jordan	Orono	ME	
Hesseltine	Reilly	Old Town	ME	
Hetherington	Kieley	Harpwell	ME	
Hewitt	Alexandra	Mechanic Falls	ME	

Heyse	Marybeth	Orono	ME	
Hichens	Emma	Eliot	ME	
Hickey	Alexei	Monroe	CT	
Hickey	Lauren	Westbrook	CT	
Hicks	Mary	Hallowell	ME	
Higgins	Alex	Skowhegan	ME	
Higgins	Gunnar	Livermore	ME	
Hild	Oliver	Hiram	ME	
Hill	Alexandria	Millis	MA	
Hill	Sierra	Orono	ME	
Hillery	Caitlin	Glenburn	ME	
Hills	Olivia	Searsmont	ME	
Hinds	Hayley	Windsor	ME	
Hinely	Sarah	Newnan	GA	
Hines	Kelsey	Eddington	ME	
Hinkle	T.J.	Scarborough	ME	
Hinkley	Amos	Waldoboro	ME	
Hinton	Dhakiya	Hyde Park	MA	
Hinz	Jacob	Austin	TX	
Hipsky	Erika	Blue Hill	ME	
Hisakawa	Maho	Camden	ME	
Hixon	Noah	Old Town	ME	
Ho	Dylan	Westbrook	ME	
Hobbs	Emily	South Portland	ME	
Hobson	Jill	Holliston	MA	
Hodgdon	Josh	Brunswick	ME	
Hodgdon	Leia	Naples	ME	
Hodge	Emma	East Hampstead	NH	
Hodgkins	Desiree	Westbrook	ME	
Hodgkins	Luke	Jefferson	ME	

Hodsdon	J.D.	Monmouth	ME	
Hodson	Julianna	Pittsfield	NH	
Hogan	Steven	Duncansville	PA	
Hogg	Kayleigh	Palmyra	PA	
Holbrook	Sam	South Portland	ME	
Hollifield	Austin	Portland	ME	
Hollis	Elizabeth	Winthrop	ME	
Holman	Zack	Mount Vernon	ME	
Holmes	Angela	Brooks	ME	
Holmes	Ashley	Waldoboro	ME	
Holmes	Kailey	Eddington	ME	
Holmes	Nathaniel	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Holt	Chase	Cape Neddick	ME	
Holt	Emily	Cape Neddick	ME	
Holt	John	Long Island	ME	
Holt	Sarah	Bangor	ME	
Holubcova	Tereza	Praha		Czech Republic
Holyoke	Lauren	Holden	ME	
Holzweiss	Eric	Stamford	CT	
Hood	Alaina	Benton	ME	
Hood	Emma	Old Town	ME	
Hooper	Abbott	Lebanon	CT	
Hoovler	Olivia	Bangor	ME	
Hopkins	Cari	Augusta	ME	
Horenstein	Evan	Oakland	NJ	
Horgan	Will	Marshfield	MA	
Hornblower	Max	Portland	ME	
Horne	Joe	Berwick	ME	
Horovitz	Jane	Washington	ME	
Horowitz	Rebekah	Bangor	ME	

Horr	Ellie	Brewer	ME	
Horton	Karen	Stillwater	ME	
Horton	Skyler	Lancaster	PA	
Horvath	Sarah	Danielson	CT	
Hosford	Zoe	Bucksport	ME	
Hoskins	Devin	Topsham	ME	
Hotaling	Jake	Wilbraham	MA	
Hotham	Jimmy	Blaine	ME	
Houck	Kylie	Orono	ME	
Houde	Cameron	Dayton	ME	
Houk	Paige	East Waterboro	ME	
House	Zachary	Lincoln	ME	
Howard	Blue	Gouldsboro	ME	
Howard	Grace	Kennebunk	ME	
Howard	Kali	Farmington	ME	
Howard	Lisa	Nobleboro	ME	
Howard	Skye	Gouldsboro	ME	
Howell	Aaron	Cumberland Center	ME	
Howell	Cadi	Mount Desert	ME	
Howell	Joanna	Newport	ME	
Howell	Kellie	Hampton	VA	
Howell	Megan	Mount Desert	ME	
Howes	Andrew	Bangor	ME	
Howland	Sara	Houlton	ME	
Hoyt	Kevin	Block Island	RI	
Hubbard	Charles	Gorham	ME	
Hubbert	Shay	Millville	PA	
Hubby	Claire	Chanhassen	MN	
Huber	Shaelyn	West Milford	NJ	
Hudock	Alexy	North Berwick	ME	

Huerth	Maddie	Bradley	ME	
Hughes	Bronwyn	Portland	ME	
Hughes	Mackenzie	Saugus	MA	
Humphrey	Alex	Bowdoin	ME	
Humphrey	Tyler	Cape Neddick	ME	
Hunt	Ella	Veazie	ME	
Hunt	Faith	Orono	ME	
Hunt	Kimberly	Corea	ME	
Hunt	Sara	Dedham	ME	
Hunter	Autumn	Hampden	ME	
Huo	Emily	Biddeford	ME	
Hureau	Tess	Fort Collins	CO	
Hurlburt	Zachary	Alfred	ME	
Hurt	Maddie	Elmhurst	IL	
Hussey	Kaylee	South Berwick	ME	
Hustus	Katelyn	Chelsea	ME	
Hutchins	Andrew	Alna	ME	
Hutchins	Dakota	Fairfield	ME	
Hutchins	Trinity	Fairfield	ME	
Hutchins	Wesley	Swanville	ME	
Hutchinson	Courtney	Bangor	ME	
Hutchinson	Jessica	Canterbury	NH	
Hutchinson	Jessie	Wilton	ME	
Huth	Kendra	Beverly	MA	
Hwang	Seokhyeon	Orono	ME	
Hyatt	Rachel	Darien	CT	
Hyde	Alex	Caribou	ME	
Hyde	Courtney	Veazie	ME	
Iannuzzi	Julia	Sparta	NJ	
Iasenytska	Iaryna	Kyiv		Ukraine

Illingworth	Thurston	Monroe	ME	
Iluyomade	Solomon	London		United Kingdom
Ilvonen	Karl	Rockland	ME	
Ingall	Jennie	Hampden	ME	
Ingalls	Colin	Bowdoin	ME	
Ingalls	Rachel	Hermon	ME	
Ingle	Joe	Alexandria	VA	
Ingo	Stephane	Mississauga	ON	Canada
Ingram	Matt	Winthrop	ME	
Inman	Kaela	Foley	AL	
Inman	Morgan	Wales	ME	
Inniss	Zach	Newark	DE	
Ireland	Alexis	Indian Island	ME	
Ireland	Kaylee	Jonesport	ME	
Ireland	Morgan	Presque Isle	ME	
Ireland	Zach	Bangor	ME	
Ireland	Zack	Old Town	ME	
Irish	Hannah	Lincoln	ME	
Irujo	Carmen	Newburyport	MA	
Irvine	Emily	Bangor	ME	
Irzyk	Rachel	South Hadley	MA	
Isaacs	Nathan	Rutland	MA	
Ismail	Lauren	Glenburn	ME	
Isnor	Erika	Baileyville	ME	
Ittleson	Claire	West Hartford	CT	
Ivanicka	Dominika	Orono	ME	
Ives	Andrew	Portland	CT	
Izere	Henry	South Portland	ME	
Jabs	Will	Bristol	CT	
Jacey	Elena	Arlington	MA	

Jackson	Emily	Casco	ME	
Jackson	M.J.	Milo	ME	
Jackson	Sydney	Upland	CA	
Jackson Gianino	Calista	Scarborough	ME	
Jackson-Coates	Mollie	Lubec	ME	
Jacob	Kylee	Waterboro	ME	
Jacobs	Nathan	Westbrook	ME	
Jacobs	Nicholas	Glenburn	ME	
Jacobson	Jay	Leicester	VT	
Jakacky	David	Lee	MA	
Jalbert	Noah	Gorham	ME	
Jamerson-Martin	Maya	Parsonsfield	ME	
James	Halle	Auburn	ME	
Jameson	Mitchell	Bangor	ME	
Jamo	Lauren	Millinocket	ME	
Janes	Ali	Avon	CT	
Janson	Sarah	Geneseo	NY	
Jarvis	Alexa	Bangor	ME	
Jarvis	George	Valley Stream	NY	
Jarvis	James	Kennebunk	ME	
Jaszay	Ciarra	Phoenix	AZ	
Jean-Charles	Ori	Monsey	NY	
Jellison	Hayden	Orland	ME	
Jenkins	Jordan	Greenville	RI	
Jennings	Sam	Wilmington	MA	
Jennings	Zachary	West Kingston	RI	
Jensen	Dustin	Leeds	ME	
Jerome	Riley	Gorham	ME	
Jewell	Caleb	Orono	ME	
Jiang	Guanyu	Orono	ME	

Jiang	Qikai	Shanghai		China
Jimenez	Alicia	Medfield	MA	
Jimenez	Sofia	Wakefield	MA	
Jipson	CJ	Auburn	ME	
Jipson	Kaylee	Auburn	ME	
Jipson	Storm	Auburn	ME	
Jobe	Devon	Orono	ME	
Jodoin	Kaitlyn	Gorham	ME	
Johanson	Chris	Old Town	ME	
Johndro	Camden	Norridgewock	ME	
Johnson	Abby	Richmond	ME	
Johnson	Alexandra	Milwaukee	WI	
Johnson	Ally	Windham	ME	
Johnson	Alyssa	Northborough	MA	
Johnson	Anna	Springvale	ME	
Johnson	Ben	Orono	ME	
Johnson	Chris	Bradley	ME	
Johnson	Ella	Exeter	NH	
Johnson	Grace	Bedford	NH	
Johnson	Haloye	Kennebunk	ME	
Johnson	Jennifer	Sarasota	FL	
Johnson	Lia	Orrington	ME	
Johnson	Matty	Stow	MA	
Johnson	Mollie	Wareham	MA	
Johnson	Morgan	Bowdoinham	ME	
Johnson	Olivia	Levant	ME	
Johnson	Ryan	Danielson	CT	
Johnson	Susan	Lewiston	ME	
Johnson	Will	Falmouth	ME	
Johnston	Kelsey	York	ME	

Johnston	Olivia	Dixfield	ME	
Johnstone	Brandon	North Waterboro	ME	
Joler	Erica	Waterville	ME	
Jolliffe	Emily	Searsmont	ME	
Jones	Audrey	Scarborough	ME	
Jones	Brenna	Orono	ME	
Jones	Caleb	Waitsfield	VT	
Jones	Camilla	Hallowell	ME	
Jones	Jamie	Glenburn	ME	
Jones	Kevin	Coatesville	PA	
Jones	Kiersten	Berwick	ME	
Jones	Madi	Lamoine	ME	
Jones	Sarah	Himrod	NY	
Jones	Todd	Orono	ME	
Jones	Trevor	Terryville	CT	
Jordan	Abe	Scarborough	ME	
Jordan	Hope	Walpole	MA	
Jordan	Jalen	Brentwood	NY	
Jordan	Kaylyn	Casco	ME	
Jordan	Kyle	Derry	NH	
Joseph	Katley	Ottawa	ON	Canada
Jourdain	Emma	Becket	MA	
Joy	Daniel	South Portland	ME	
Joyce	Reilley	Westbrook	ME	
Judkins	Jordyn	Deer Isle	ME	
Justice	Dylan	Halifax	MA	
Kachmar	Sydney	Southwest Harbor	ME	
Kackmeister	Jake	Gray	ME	
Kaczynski	Gabbi	Bloomsbury	NJ	
Kahelin	Anna	Helsinki		Finland

Kaizerman	Nicole	Westford	MA	
Kaler	Brittany	Brunswick	ME	
Kane	Charlie	Sea Girt	NJ	
Kane	Devon	Winterport	ME	
Kane	Emily	Pembroke	MA	
Kane	Kat	Falmouth	ME	
Kane	Michael	Harpswell	ME	
Kaplan	Stephen	South Berwick	ME	
Karamousadakis	Emmanouil	Winthrop	ME	
Karim	Abdul	Saco	ME	
Karim	Fayd	Auburn	ME	
Kariores	Kyle	Gloucester	MA	
Karlins	Alyssa	South Windsor	CT	
Karp	Matt	Franklin	MA	
Karparis	Dan	Plympton	MA	
Karter	Alexandra	Winslow	ME	
Katz	Belu	Suffern	NY	
Kaurin	Aleksandar	South Portland	ME	
Kay	Annie	Marblehead	MA	
Kaze	Steve	Portland	ME	
Keast	Megan	Portland	ME	
Keating	Emily	Freedom	ME	
Keaton	Joanna	North Reading	MA	
Keedy	Michael	Old Town	ME	
Keefe	Charlie	Yarmouth	ME	
Keeves	Matthew	Groveland	MA	
Keezer	Kyle	Winthrop	ME	
Keim	Sierra	Dixfield	ME	
Keithley	Drew	Chelsea	ME	
Kelleher	Bradley	Amesbury	MA	

Kelleher	Justin	Stoughton	MA	
Kelleher	Molly	Mashpee	MA	
Keller	Billy	Scarborough	ME	
Kelley	Mitchell	Falmouth	ME	
Kelley	Myles	Appleton	ME	
Kelly	Ian	Carmel	ME	
Kelly	Katie	Scarborough	ME	
Kelly	Thomas	Steamboat Springs	CO	
Kelsey	Courtney	Hermon	ME	
Kemble	Peter	Bangor	ME	
Kemper	Kate	Rockport	ME	
Kempthorne-Curiel	Kiara	Orono	ME	
Kenison	Matt	Topsham	ME	
Kennedy	Bhreagh	Skowhegan	ME	
Kennedy	Evan	Morrill	ME	
Kennedy	Julia	Irving	NY	
Kennedy	Michael	Shelton	CT	
Kennedy	Nicole	Greenbush	ME	
Kenney	Alyssa	Wells	ME	
Kenney	Madison	Hopkinton	MA	
Kerecman	Daniel	Holden	ME	
Kerins	Lily	Madison	CT	
Kern	Kristen	Oakland	ME	
Kerschner	Sierra	Oakland	ME	
Kersey	Haylie	Orono	ME	
Kersey	Michael	Weld	ME	
Kershner	Noah	Newport	ME	
Ketch	Emily	Bradley	ME	
Ketch	Jacob	Bradley	ME	
Khat	Daniel	Sanford	ME	

Khim	Kalliann	Cranston	RI	
Kiely	Danielle	Averill Park	NY	
Kiesman	Jerdon	Winterport	ME	
Kieu	Khoa	Da Nang		Vietnam
Kihn	Naomi	Warren	ME	
Kilborn	Chloe	Brunswick	ME	
Kiley	Andrew	Holden	ME	
Kilroe	James	Franklin	MA	
Kimball	Allie	Saint Albans	ME	
Kimble	Maddie	Avon	OH	
Kindler	Henry	Kennebunk	ME	
King	Adria	Bath	ME	
King	Andrew	South Hadley	MA	
King	Cade	Palermo	ME	
King	Dylan	Uxbridge	MA	
King	Ethan	Milford	ME	
King	Jason	New Bedford	MA	
King	Katie	Wayne	ME	
King	Olivia	Lincoln	ME	
King	Parker	Palermo	ME	
King	Sam	Thomaston	ME	
King	Samuel	Barton	VT	
Kingman	Bailey	Wilmington	MA	
Kinney	Marissa	Belgrade	ME	
Kinney	Ryan	Bangor	ME	
Kinyon	Kalina	Westport	CT	
Kipp	Tanner	Newfoundland	NJ	
Kirby	Natalie	Hampden	ME	
Kirk	Andrew	Old Town	ME	
Kirk	Paul	Scarborough	ME	

Kirkbride	Shaeleigh	Falmouth	ME	
Kirklian	Grace	Camden	ME	
Kirkpatrick	Ethan	Colchester	CT	
Kirkpatrick	Kyle	Windsor	ME	
Kjellander	Olivia	Kingston	MA	
Klein	Zachary	Hampden	ME	
Klenert	Helen	Norton	MA	
Klimkofski	Kirstin	Sandown	NH	
Kline	Hannah	Long Beach Township	NJ	
Klingner	Lukas	Farmington	CT	
Knapp	Andrea	Sullivan	ME	
Kneissler	Casey	Fryeburg	ME	
Knights	Tyler	Hampden	ME	
Knotts	Scout	Lorton	VA	
Knowles	Joseph	Topsham	ME	
Knowles	Kaylee	Bucksport	ME	
Knowles	Liam	Topsham	ME	
Koehler	Hannah	Alburtis	PA	
Kohler	Katie	York	ME	
Kohls	Mitchell	Bucksport	ME	
Kolenovic	Deanna	Montclair	NJ	
Kolesnikova	Elena	Moscow		Russian Federation
Kolodziej	Cam	Salem	MA	
Kolodziej	Christopher	Salem	MA	
Kong	Alex	Sanford	ME	
Konitzer	Bridget	Ipswich	MA	
Kontio	Emily	Orono	ME	
Koretsky	Alexandra	Presque Isle	ME	
Korhonen	Sydney	Shirley	MA	
Kornacki	Sidney	Ludlow	MA	

Korstanje	Thomas	Bar Harbor	ME	
Kosmin	Stephanie	North Chelmsford	MA	
Kotliarov	Antonia	Arlington	VA	
Kousky	Anna	Brunswick	ME	
Koval	Lizzy	Brunswick	ME	
Kowash	Michael	Saco	ME	
Kozlowski	Chase	Scarborough	ME	
Kraemer	Kayla	Waterloo	ON	Canada
Kraemer	Liam	Duxbury	MA	
Kraiger	Anthony	Kalamazoo	MI	
Kratzer	Cassie	Biddeford	ME	
Kreigh-McNeal	Ashwini	Topsham	ME	
Kremin	Michael	Lincolntonville	ME	
Krivorotko	Dima	Orono	ME	
Kronberg	Karin	Tibro		Sweden
Kroot	Alex	Cumberland Center	ME	
Kroushl	J.	Franklin	MA	
Krull	Alexis	Bucksport	ME	
Kruse	Emma	Greenwood	ME	
Kucia	Jackie	Rehoboth	MA	
Kuespert	Thomas	Pittsfield	ME	
Kugell	Dominic	Oxford	ME	
Kukk	Kora	Brookfield	CT	
Kunesh	Sara	Searsmont	ME	
Kuoppala	Ida	Pietarsaari		Finland
Kusnirak	Christine	Scarborough	ME	
Kutzinski	Kira	Buende		Germany
Kwan	Matthew	Natick	MA	
Kwiatkowsky	Zane	Bath	ME	
Kyle	Kaley	Charlestown	MA	

Labbay	Lauren	Bowdoin	ME	
Labbe	Emily	Scarborough	ME	
Labbe	Kyle	Brunswick	ME	
Labbe	William	Brunswick	ME	
Labonne	Zach	Minot	ME	
Labonte	Delaney	York	ME	
LaBonte	Elise	Swanville	ME	
Labonte	Gabriel	Lewiston	ME	
LaBrier	John	Orland	ME	
Labun	Mike	Hampden	ME	
Lacasse	Jesse	Kennebunk	ME	
LaCasse	Lily	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Lacognata	Elizabeth	Orono	ME	
Lacroix	Thomas	Wrentham	MA	
Ladd	Connor	South Paris	ME	
Ladd	Mackenzie	Bangor	ME	
Ladner	Abby	Danville	PA	
Ladstatter	Kate	Saunderstown	RI	
Laffey	Kaycee	Brewer	ME	
LaFlamme	Tanner	Westbrook	ME	
Lafontaine	Sarah	Greene	ME	
LaFrance	Joanna	Alfred	ME	
LaFrance	Sophia	Alfred	ME	
Lage-Lichko	Steph	Waldoboro	ME	
Lagerstrom	Emily	Presque Isle	ME	
Lai	Peter	Waterville	ME	
Lakeman	Saige	Lincoln	ME	
Lalime	Jack	Otis	ME	
Lam	Vinh	Sanford	ME	
Lambert	Noah	Gorham	ME	

Lambert	Poppy	RD 1		New Zealand
Lambert	Sophia	Presque Isle	ME	
Lambrecht	Isaac	Winslow	ME	
Lambros	Paige	North Tonawanda	NY	
Lamkin	Chaz	Standish	ME	
Lamkins	Jordan	Southington	CT	
Lammert	Devon	Orono	ME	
Lamonica	Bria	Blackwood	NJ	
LaMontagne	Jacob	Berwick	ME	
Lamoureux	Hannah	Georgetown	MA	
Lamson	Jamie	Plantsville	CT	
Lander	Jack	Orrington	ME	
Lander	Meg	Orrington	ME	
Landry	Josh	Davenport	FL	
Landry	Kayla	South Berwick	ME	
Landry	Madison	Freeport	ME	
Landry	Zoe	Verona Island	ME	
Landwehr	Sydney	Pompton Lakes	NJ	
Lane	Anna	York	ME	
Lane	Julia	Lancaster	MA	
Lang	Kassidy	Lyman	ME	
Langa	Uzile	Cedar Knolls	NJ	
Langley	Alexys	Freeport	ME	
Langley	Austin	Freeport	ME	
Langone	Gabrielle	Lynnfield	MA	
Languet	Josh	Belgrade	ME	
LaPerriere	Caroline	Lewiston	ME	
Lapierre	Luke	Sanford	ME	
LaPlant	Nicole	Canton	CT	
LaPlante	Austin	Caribou	ME	

Lapointe	Adam	Wales	ME	
Lapointe	Gary	Greene	ME	
Lapointe	Riley	Harpswell	ME	
Larence	Ciara	Northbridge	MA	
Larke	Emma	Stillwater	ME	
Larmore	Townsend	Virginia Beach	VA	
LaRochelle	Haley	Orono	ME	
LaRochelle	Sammy	Orono	ME	
LaRose	Anna	Albertville	MN	
Larouche	Macie	Fairfield	ME	
Larsen	Isabel	Old Town	ME	
Larsson	Vilgot	Orono	ME	
Laskey	Sarah	Southington	CT	
Lasky	Morgan	Portland	CT	
Lasorsa	Jolene	Lunenburg	MA	
Latario	Sarah	Groton	MA	
Latendresse	Colette	Winslow	ME	
Laubscher	Alec	Simsbury	CT	
Laurence	Abbe	Greenland	NH	
Laurita	Louis	Hope	ME	
Laverriere	Michael	Arundel	ME	
Lavertu	Sarah	Frenchville	ME	
Lavigne	Trevor	York	ME	
Lavin	Madison	Ashland	MA	
Lavoie	Lyndsey	Van Buren	ME	
Lavorgna	Jack	South Portland	ME	
Lavoy	Nathan	Portland	CT	
Lawler	Jacob	North Augusta	SC	
Lawlor	Adan	Waterville	ME	
Le	Hoang	Dong Da		Vietnam

Le	Kaylin	Lisbon	ME	
Le	Khiana	Portland	ME	
Le	Phuoc	Da Nang		Vietnam
Leal Espinal	Daniella	Ridgefield	NJ	
Leary	McKayla	South Berwick	ME	
Leavitt	Alison	Haverhill	MA	
Leavitt	Emily	Glenburn	ME	
Leavitt	Victoria	Connor Township	ME	
LeBlanc	Molly	Howland	ME	
LeBlond	Jack	Lewiston	ME	
Lech	Sydney	Orono	ME	
LeCates	Iris	Cincinnati	OH	
LeClair	Emily	Milford	ME	
LeClair	Hannah	Waterville	ME	
Leclerc	Nick	Camden	ME	
LeConey	Evan	Bethel	ME	
LeDuc	Ellie	Rumford	ME	
Ledue	Emily	Harmony	ME	
Lee	Carmen	Lewiston	ME	
Lee	Gabriella	Bangor	ME	
Lee	Kyle	Skowhegan	ME	
Lee	Olivia	Lewiston	ME	
Lee	Yujin	Daejeon		Korea, Republic of
Leech	Ethan	Windham	ME	
Leech	Taylor	Bowdoinham	ME	
Lees	Charles	Saco	ME	
Lefever	Adrian	Fayette	ME	
Legassey	Madison	Portland	ME	
Lehrer	Ben	Winter Harbor	ME	
Leidenfrost	Abby	Liberty	ME	

Leifholt	Emily	Orono	ME	
Leive	Chris	Scarborough	ME	
Leland	Zoe	Portland	ME	
Lelu	Jonathan	Johannesburg		South Africa
Lemieux	Rollan	Cape Neddick	ME	
Lemoine	Nicole	Cumberland Center	ME	
Lenfest	Lucas	Smithfield	ME	
Lennox	Alexandria	Shamong	NJ	
Leonard	Matt	Pembroke	MA	
Leonard	Sydney	Madison	WI	
Leone	Kellee	Baltic	CT	
Leone	Sonia	Fryeburg	ME	
Leopold	Jack	Bangor	ME	
Lerner	Claire	Stafford	VA	
Leslie	Douglas	Pendleton	SC	
Lessard	Alexandra	Jackman	ME	
Lessard	Keller	Owls Head	ME	
Lester	Tim	Cumberland Center	ME	
Letourneau	Kiana	Fairfield	ME	
Leung	Annapurna	Braintree	MA	
Levasseur	Francois	Plymouth	ME	
Levasseur	Rebecca	Auburn	ME	
Leveille	Cody	Easthampton	MA	
Levesque	Chelsea	Caribou	ME	
Levesque	Levi	Lisbon	ME	
Levesque	Savannah	Veazie	ME	
Levinson	Adam	Yarmouth	ME	
Levitt	Andrew	Lincolnton	ME	
Levy	Ethan	Saco	ME	
Lewandowski	Alysa	Jefferson	ME	

Lewandowski	Ruth	Portland	ME	
Lewis	Allie	Lebanon	ME	
Lewis	Bailey	Skowhegan	ME	
Lewis	Kaden	New Harbor	ME	
Lewis	Katherine	Windham	ME	
Lewis	MacKenzie	Augusta	ME	
Lewis	Shelby	Oakfield	ME	
Leys	Jack	Middletown	RI	
Lhundup-Zebo	Olivia	Portland	ME	
Libby	Brandon	Bryant Pond	ME	
Libby	Erin	Cumberland Center	ME	
Libby	Erin-Margaret	Leeds	ME	
Libby	Hayden	Topsham	ME	
Libby	Jonathan	Chester	ME	
Libby	Katie	Rancho Palos Verdes	CA	
Libby	Reece	Hampden	ME	
Libby	Tom	Camden	ME	
Liberty	Trey	Fairfield	ME	
Libuda	Casey	Gilford	NH	
Liebler-Bendix	Ailin	Jamesville	NY	
Liedtka	Claire	San Antonio	TX	
Lin	Hua	Portland	ME	
Lin	Mingming	Buxton	ME	
Lindelov	Edward	Saltsjobaden		Sweden
Lindyberg	Jack	Stockton Springs	ME	
Linkel	Reilly	Orland	ME	
Linscott	Jordan	Windsor	ME	
Lisnet	Natalie	Bangor	ME	
Little	Kennedy	Andover	MN	
Littlefield	Rebekah	Winterport	ME	

Littlehales	Kristina	Franklinville	NJ	
Liu	Kaitlin	Brewer	ME	
Livingston	Kayla	Billerica	MA	
Livingston	Makayla	Hampton Falls	NH	
Lizotte	Sean	Bangor	ME	
Llanto	Amelaine	Waterville	ME	
Llerena	Julianne	Hampden	ME	
Lobdell	Brady	Hampden	ME	
Loberti	Andrew	Bellingham	MA	
Lobley	Jordan	Marshfield	ME	
Lockhart	Mariah	Winterport	ME	
Lockhart	Olivia	Monroe	ME	
Loeb	Anna	Dedham	ME	
Loftus	Riley	Winslow	ME	
Logston	Caitlin	Milford	ME	
Loiselle	Sara	Windham	ME	
Loman	Peter	Lee	ME	
Longley	Hannah	Fairfield	ME	
Longtin	Kate	Brewer	ME	
Lonko	Charlotte	Milford	ME	
Look	Jonathan	Auburn	ME	
Looney	Aurore	Old Town	ME	
Looney	Brody	Vienna	ME	
Loper	Sydney	North Yarmouth	ME	
Lopes	Katie	Waterville	ME	
Lopez	Maya	Sells	AZ	
Lopez-Mata	Maddie	East Falmouth	MA	
Loranger	Jake	Portland	ME	
Loranger	Nathan	Portland	ME	
Lord	Griffin	Gorham	ME	

Lorenc	Kayla	Oakland	NJ	
Lorenzo	Jacob	Falmouth	ME	
Lorom	Abe	Houlton	ME	
Lorom	Sydney	Houlton	ME	
Losquadro	Katie	Bar Harbor	ME	
Loughman	Kayla	Reading	MA	
Lounsbury	Sinead	Fryeburg	ME	
Love	Delaney	Orono	ME	
Love	Johnny	Reading	MA	
Love	Morgan	Old Town	ME	
Loveless	Austin	Cumberland Center	ME	
Lovering	Gabe	Auburn	ME	
Lovill	Juan	Nutley	NJ	
Low	Maria	Brewer	ME	
Lowell	Ethan	Scarborough	ME	
Luce	Katie	Sidney	ME	
Luce	Nick	Brewer	ME	
Luchon	Adam	Willington	CT	
Lucia	Tori	Fairfield	CT	
Luck	Katie	Upton	MA	
Lueders	Emma	Canton	ME	
Lueders	Luke	Orono	ME	
Lufkin	Blake	Bangor	ME	
Lund	Emily	Cherry Hill	NJ	
Luo	Ning	Brewer	ME	
Luo	Xingzhou	Orono	ME	
Luong	Joseph	Scarborough	ME	
Luopa	Lindsay	Saco	ME	
Lupien	Allison	Waldoboro	ME	
Lupien	Emily	Waldoboro	ME	

Lurgio	Aidan	Foster	RI	
Luther	Ray	Old Town	ME	
Luttrell	Martha	South Thomaston	ME	
Luu	Kiera	Silver Spring	MD	
Lyden	Patrick	Cumberland Forside	ME	
Lydon	Zoe	North Weymouth	MA	
Lynch	Danielle	Burlington	MA	
Lynch	Katie	Bridgewater	MA	
Lynch-Greenberg	Kevin	Marblehead	MA	
Lynn	Josh	Wilbraham	MA	
Lynn	Sophia	Winthrop	ME	
Lyons	Abby	Hampden	ME	
MacAskill	Erin	New Fairfield	CT	
MacBurnie	Amanda	Stillwater	ME	
MacDonald	Mitch	East Sandwich	MA	
MacDonald	Nikki	Winthrop	ME	
MacFarlane	Olivia	Plymouth	MA	
Mack	Jada	Cornville	ME	
Mack	James	Portland	ME	
Mackenzie	Ethan	Ridgefield	CT	
Mackridge	Shannon	Camden	ME	
MacLeod	Sarah	Woburn	MA	
MacLeod	Shayla	Wayland	MA	
MacNeil	Morgan	Old Town	ME	
Macolini	Jack	Wells	ME	
MacTavish	Brett	Kingston	MA	
Madden	Dylan	Greenbush	ME	
Madeiras	Brooke	Braintree	MA	
Madore	Paige	Bridgewater	MA	
Magill	Carolyn	North Attleboro	MA	

Maglathlin	Jason	Alexandria	VA	
Magno	Cillo	Portland	ME	
Magnuson	Erica	South Portland	ME	
Maguire	Anthony	Westbrook	ME	
Mahan	Madison	Portland	ME	
Maher	Lauren	North Weymouth	MA	
Maheu	Rebecca	Waterville	ME	
Mahoney	Ashley	Hampden	ME	
Mahoney	Julia	Orono	ME	
Maidman	Jonathan	Carrabassett Valley	ME	
Mailey	Trinity	Old Town	ME	
Mailloux	Ryan	Hermon	ME	
Maitz	Cristian	Clinton	MA	
Majors	Jess	Amherst	ME	
Majors	Joshua	Poland	ME	
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Mallett	Autumn	Old Town	ME	
Mallett	Beccy	Old Town	ME	
Maloney	Maeve	West Hartford	CT	
Maltby	Megan	Chatham	NJ	
Malvin	Jackie	Greenbush	ME	
Manahan	Aidan	Newcastle	ME	
Mandeville	Henry	Portland	ME	
Mandy	Olivia	Camden	ME	
Mangano	Ryan	Landing	NJ	
Mann	Emma	Hopkinton	MA	
Mann	Rick	Bowdoinham	ME	
Manos	Devon	Old Town	ME	
Mansfield	Sarah	Annandale	VA	
Manson	Hillary	Corinna	ME	

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Marano	Amanda	Brewster	NY	
Marcellino	Allison	Wakefield	RI	
Marchand	Rebecca	Methuen	MA	
Marckettell	Alex	Simsbury	CT	
Marcotte	Sarah	Bangor	ME	
Marcotte	Sarrah	Biddeford	ME	
Marcotte	Tom	Bangor	ME	
Mark	Michael	Houston	TX	
Marks	Charlie	Orono	ME	
Marks	Jacob	Falmouth	ME	
Marks	Maddie	Falmouth	ME	
Marks	Tatum	Canonsburg	PA	
Maroney	AJ	Winslow	ME	
Maroukis	Jake	Seaside Park	NJ	
Marro	Michael	Brunswick	ME	
Marsanskis	Luke	Cumberland Center	ME	
Marsh	Hannah	Rowley	MA	
Marshall	Ennis	Little Deer Isle	ME	
Marshall	Eric	Carlisle	MA	
Marshall	John	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Marston	Caleb	South Portland	ME	
Marston	Cassidy	Hollis Center	ME	
Martel	Andrew	Berlin	NH	
Martell	Brinley	Bangor	ME	
Martilini	Aubrey	Hammonton	NJ	
Martin	Abi	Monroe	ME	
Martin	Alex	Arrowsic	ME	
Martin	Brandon	Biddeford	ME	
Martin	Brea	Winslow	ME	

Martin	Kassandra	Blue Hill	ME	
Martin	Matthew	Hopkinton	MA	
Martin	Michaela	Starks	ME	
Martin	Peter	Scarborough	ME	
Martin	Rebekkah	Hampden	ME	
Martin	Sarah	Sidney	ME	
Martin	Sofia	Salem	MA	
Martinez	Ashley	Paterson	NJ	
Martins	Gabe	Winthrop	MA	
Martwichuck	Abigail	Beverly	MA	
Marty	Hannah	Harwich	MA	
Marzano	Amaya	Freeport	ME	
Mascarenhas	Cassandra	Mississauga	ON	Canada
Maslaczynska-Salome	Sara	Riverside	CT	
Mason	Clayton	Rutland	MA	
Mason	Ethan	Orange	CT	
Mason	George	Old Town	ME	
Mason	Mikayla	Orono	ME	
Massa	Deanna	Everett	MA	
Masterson	Jackson	Kingfield	ME	
Matero	Oskar	Bath	ME	
Mathers	Kassidy	Island Falls	ME	
Mathews	Lindsay	Fayetteville	NY	
Mathewson	Nathaniel	Linesville	PA	
Mathieu	Alissa	Orono	ME	
Mathieu	Ethan	Sanford	ME	
Mathieu	Hannah	Sidney	ME	
Mathisen	Sam	Conway	NH	
Matson	Kate	Bucksport	ME	
Matteo	Spencer	Portland	ME	

Matthews	Courtney	Marlborough	MA	
Matthews	Olivia	Northport	ME	
Mattrick	Amelia	Rochester	VT	
Mattson	Timber	Lisbon Falls	ME	
Matula	Kensi	Albion	ME	
Maturo	Elena	Weatogue	CT	
Mault	Jacqueline	Chester	ME	
Maurais	Hannah	Jay	ME	
Max	Theresa	Ottsville	PA	
Maxfield	Abbi	Windham	ME	
Maxsimic	Katie	Kingfield	ME	
Maxsimic	Maria	Bangor	ME	
Maxwell	McKenna	Appleton	ME	
Mayers	Victoria	Woonsocket	RI	
Maynard	Devin	Old Town	ME	
Maynard	Teresa	Fort Fairfield	ME	
Maynor	Zack	Jackson	NJ	
Mayo	Douglas	Bridgton	ME	
Mayo	Matthew	Bridgton	ME	
Mazurek	Alexis	Union	ME	
Mazzelli	Bri	Pleasant Valley	NY	
Mazzola	Anthony	Ashland	MA	
McA'Nulty	Danny	Milton	MA	
McAfee	Drake	Biddeford	ME	
McAlary	Hannah	Saco	ME	
McBarry	Juliette	Loveland	CO	
McBrine	Ethan	Biddeford	ME	
McCallum	Bridget	South Easton	MA	
McCann	Jack	Rehoboth	MA	
McCarthy	Ben	Saco	ME	

McCarthy	Billy	Norton	MA	
McCarthy	Erin	Canton	MA	
McCarthy	Logan	Windham	ME	
McCarthy	Luke	Potomac	MD	
McCarthy	Mike	Augusta	ME	
McCarthy	Natalie	Lincoln	ME	
McCarthy	Tessa	Northville	MI	
McCarthy Beaver	Quinn	Dedham	MA	
McCauley	Faith	Carmel	NY	
McClendon	David	Watertown	CT	
McCloy	Scott	Santa Fe	NM	
McClung	DJ	Hermon	ME	
McCluskey	Connor	Orono	ME	
McCluskey	Leah	Seymour	CT	
McConaughy	Finn	Hopewell	NJ	
McConville	Keely	Yarmouth	ME	
McCue	Kyle	Bangor	ME	
McCullough	Kaitlin	Ellsworth	ME	
McCullough	Nolan	Gorham	ME	
McCusker	Cassidy	Windham	ME	
McDermott	Jessalyn	Farley	IA	
McDermott	Wyatt	Wells	VT	
McDevitt	Thomas	Nahant	MA	
McDonald	Meghan	Beverly	MA	
McDonald	Meghan	Quincy	MA	
McDonald	Sydney	Orono	ME	
McDonough	Bryson	Bangor	ME	
McDonough	Caitlin	South Portland	ME	
McDonough	Katie	Groveland	MA	
McDonough	Maddie	West Bath	ME	

McDuffee	Liz	Winthrop	MA	
McElman	Brooke	Woolwich	ME	
McEttrick	Bradlyn	Attleboro	MA	
McEwen	Brady	Danforth	ME	
McFadden	Katelynn	Bensalem	PA	
McFalls	Braedon	Lincoln	ME	
McFarlane	Tristin	Farmington	ME	
McGarry	Morgan	Scarborough	ME	
McGaw	Alec	Baileyville	ME	
McGaw	Mac	Thomaston	ME	
McGee	Bailey	Durham	ME	
McGee	Nikki	Orono	ME	
McGlone	Aidan	Limington	ME	
McGlynn	Alyssa	Westwood	NJ	
McGouldrick	Grace	Gorham	ME	
McGovern	Nick	Methuen	MA	
McGrath	Stephanie	Orono	ME	
McGraw	Ryan	Hampden	ME	
McGuire	Caitlin	Shelton	CT	
McHatten	Paige	Mapleton	ME	
McInnis	Conor	Saco	ME	
McIntosh	Ashlee	Rockport	ME	
McIntosh	Gabrianne	Nassau		Bahamas
McIntosh	Micah	New Providence		Bahamas
Mcintyre	Duncan	Lincoln	ME	
McIntyre	Owen	North Yarmouth	ME	
McKelvy	David	Scarborough	ME	
McKendry	Elise	Long Pond Township	ME	
McKenna	Farrow	Machias	ME	
McKenney	Alex	Hampden	ME	

McKenney	Caitlin	Harmony	ME	
McKenney	Eliza	Phippsburg	ME	
McKenney	Sydney	Hampden	ME	
McKeon	Daniel	Searsport	ME	
McLagan	Kayla	Hackettstown	NJ	
McLaughlin	Emily	Hudson	MA	
McLaughlin	Graham	Kennebunk	ME	
McLaughlin	James	Brewer	ME	
McLaughlin	John	Manchester	ME	
McLaughlin	Lily	Bangor	ME	
McLaughlin	Mark	Manchester	ME	
McLellan	Andrew	Calais	ME	
McLellan	Ivy	Calais	ME	
McLellan	Sierra	Augusta	ME	
McMannus	Rachel	Derby	ME	
McMillan	Kassidy	Kenduskeag	ME	
McMillon	Liam	Caribou	ME	
McNally	Mike	Moscow	ME	
McNally	Zoe	Bowdoin	ME	
McNamara	Tess	Eliot	ME	
McNeil	Karen	Hartford	ME	
McNutt	Nate	Norway	ME	
McPhee	Will	Winchester	MA	
McWhorter	Audrey	Tipp City	OH	
Mead	Mackenzie	Westford	MA	
Meador	Sydney	Boothbay Harbor	ME	
Meador	Andrew	Marblehead	MA	
Meaney	Lauren	North Reading	MA	
Meas	Felix	Sanford	ME	
Medeiros	Max	Taunton	MA	

Medenica	Marija	Phippsburg	ME	
Meeker	Victoria	East Haven	CT	
Meggison	Teagan	West Baldwin	ME	
Mehre	Alex	Veazie	ME	
Mehrhoff	Isabelle	Mercer	ME	
Meidahl	Taylor	Bangor	ME	
Meisel	Sean	Stratford	CT	
Mejias	Jazmyne	Standish	ME	
Mellor	Rebekah	Stockton Springs	ME	
Mendonca	Allison	Saint Albans	ME	
Mendoza	Mequeyla	Clifton	ME	
Menter	Maggie	Lebanon	ME	
Mentz	Haley	Mystic	CT	
Mercado	Isabella	Brimfield	MA	
Merchant	Hunter	Northport	ME	
Merchant	Maraeka	Lewiston	ME	
Merchant	Shelby	Dixmont	ME	
Mercier	Lauren	Sidney	ME	
Merkle-Scotland	Maeve	Madison	CT	
Merriam	Nick	Brooks	ME	
Merrill	Isabella	Hope	ME	
Mertens	Katie	Wakefield	RI	
Messier	April	Camden	ME	
Metivier	Julia	Foxboro	MA	
Metz	Jordan	Nobleboro	ME	
Meyer	Claire	Bangor	ME	
Meyer-Waldo	Sarah	West Bath	ME	
Michalec	Alexander	Topsfield	MA	
Michaud	Adreanna	Leeds	ME	
Michaud	Aidan	North Yarmouth	ME	

Michaud	Cameron	Brewer	ME	
Michaud	Camille	Southwest Harbor	ME	
Michaud	Dana	Belgrade	ME	
Michaud	Dante	North Berwick	ME	
Michaud	Isaac	Wells	ME	
Michaud	Jake	Hampden	ME	
Michaud	Marc	Machiasport	ME	
Michaud	Nico	Bangor	ME	
Michaud	Sahvannah	Hermon	ME	
Michienzi	Haley	Buzzards Bay	MA	
Milan	Olivia	Brewer	ME	
Mild	Owen	Bernard	ME	
Milkowich	Suzie	Blue Hill	ME	
Milks	Lauren	Wantage	NJ	
Millan Mendoza	Alice	Rockville	MD	
Millan-Modia	Blanca	A Coruna		Spain
Millay	Chanthu	Brewer	ME	
Miller	Abbe	Bar Harbor	ME	
Miller	Abigail	Gorham	ME	
Miller	Alicen	Bangor	ME	
Miller	Dillon	Ledgewood	NJ	
Miller	Dominic	Houlton	ME	
Miller	Jordyn	Dedham	ME	
Miller	Josie	Bowdoinham	ME	
Miller	Katelyn	Trumbull	CT	
Miller	Keyana	Chelmsford	MA	
Miller	Makayla	Bangor	ME	
Miller	Shane	Orono	ME	
Miller-Treat	Rachel	Bangor	ME	
Milligan	Mary	Winthrop	ME	

Milliken	Brenna	Gray	ME	
Millroy	Joey	Kearny	NJ	
Mills	Nic	Chelsea	ME	
Mills	Sam	Biddeford	ME	
Milne	Hannah	Buxton	ME	
Minas	Kat	Cranston	RI	
Miner	Jordan	East Baldwin	ME	
Minkin	Grace	Camden	ME	
Minkin	Jett	Camden	ME	
Mitchell	Emily	Hollis	NH	
Mitchell	Maddie	Gorham	ME	
Mitchell	Meredith	Norridgewock	ME	
Mittelstadt	Lexi	Wilton	ME	
Mix	Marlana	Orono	ME	
Moaratty	Mya	San Diego	CA	
Mogul	Jules	Holden	ME	
Mohawass	Marina	Bangor	ME	
Mohr	Jacob	Plantsville	CT	
Molina	Justin	Elizabeth	NJ	
Moline	Brendan	Lincolnvile	ME	
Monkiewicz	Sydney	Lynnfield	MA	
Monzo	Parni	Colonia	NJ	
Moody	Miles	Westbrook	ME	
Moon	Bri	Howland	ME	
Mooney	Katie	Chepachet	RI	
Moore	Ben	Westford	MA	
Moore	Cole	Old Town	ME	
Moore	Daniel	Westwood	MA	
Moore	Elliot	Springfield	IL	
Moore	Elliott	Somerville	MA	

Moore	Lauren	Freeport	ME	
Moore	Max	Camden	ME	
Moore	Nolan	Milford	ME	
Moore	Talia	Lawrence	MA	
Moores	Kristin	Amherst	ME	
Morales	Brittany	Levant	ME	
Moran	Brittney	Verona Island	ME	
Moreau	Daniel	Auburn	ME	
Moreau	Sarah	Lisbon Falls	ME	
Moreno	Stella	Caruthers	CA	
Morganthal	Keagan	Deerfield	NH	
Morgus	Matthew	Lancaster	NY	
Morich	Carla	Halstenbek		Germany
Morin	Andrea	Ipswich	MA	
Morin	Charis	Parkman	ME	
Morin	Donna	Alton	ME	
Morin	Joel	Warren	ME	
Morin	Justin	Old Town	ME	
Morneault	Garrett	Washburn	ME	
Morneault	Hollie	Madawaska	ME	
Morneault	Sarah	Washburn	ME	
Morphy	Elise	Regina	SK	Canada
Morrell	Avery	Cornwall	NY	
Morrill	Haley	Rangeley	ME	
Morrill	Rya	Hudson	ME	
Morris	Curtis	Brewer	ME	
Morrison	Alex	Cathance Township	ME	
Morrison	Ally	Barnet	VT	
Morrison	Bailey	Wells	ME	
Morrison	Emily	Wells	ME	

Morrison	Jacob	Old Town	ME	
Morrison	Kara	Blue Hill	ME	
Morrison	Tian	Springvale	ME	
Morrison	Will	Eddington	ME	
Morrissey	Felix	Orono	ME	
Morrissey	Isaac	Orono	ME	
Morrissey	Liam	New Boston	NH	
Morrissey	Lilly	Woodbridge	CT	
Morse	Jasmine	Meriden	CT	
Morse	Mary	Ellsworth	ME	
Morse	Sam	Bangor	ME	
Morse	Zechariah	Presque Isle	ME	
Morton	Sam	Norway	ME	
Mosqueda	Peter	Reading	MA	
Moss	Elwin	Waterville	ME	
Moulton	Emma	Ipswich	MA	
Moulton	Greg	Cutler	ME	
Moulton	Joseph	York	ME	
Moulton	Kacey	Milford	ME	
Mount	Trevor	Long Valley	NJ	
Moynihan	Naomi	Bangor	ME	
Moyse	Dj	Old Town	ME	
Muchemore-Allen	Steele	West Newfield	ME	
Mueller	Cole	Millbury	MA	
Muir	Mark	Hudson	ME	
Mulcahy	Cam	Malden	MA	
Mulhern	Shea	North Attleboro	MA	
Mullally	Jacquie	Millis	MA	
Mullen	Austin	Scarborough	ME	
Mulligan	Abigail	Thunder Bay	ON	Canada

Mulligan	Jacob	Berwick	ME	
Mulligan	Monica	Bangor	ME	
Mullin	Natalie	Cumberland Center	ME	
Mullin	Sean	Redding	CT	
Mulroy	TJ	Newton	NJ	
Munoz	Jovanna	Saco	ME	
Munro-Ludders	Eli	Bath	ME	
Munroe	Heather	Penobscot	ME	
Murdaugh	Shaina	East Machias	ME	
Murphy	Bart	Biddeford	ME	
Murphy	Cassidy	Willow Grove	PA	
Murphy	Jacob	Scarborough	ME	
Murphy	Lisa	Holden	ME	
Murphy	Matthew	Pilesgrove	NJ	
Murphy	Michael	West Baldwin	ME	
Murphy	Noah	Bangor	ME	
Murphy	Patrick	Windham	ME	
Murphy	Rachael	Orono	ME	
Murphy	Sean	Wallingford	CT	
Murray	Curt	Upper Marlboro	MD	
Murray	Emily	Scarborough	ME	
Murray	Kian	Brunswick	ME	
Murray	Liz	Oakland	NJ	
Murray	Mackenzie	Thomaston	ME	
Muscat	Abigail	Bass Harbor	ME	
Musgrave	Sean	Alton	ME	
Mushrow	Hannah	Hampden	ME	
Musor	Jon	Bangor	ME	
Mutchler	Evan	Hanover	MA	
Muth	Julia	Sparta	NJ	

Muthyam	Rajashekar	Scarborough	ME	
Myers	Kyle	Brighton	MI	
Myers	Sabina	Rehoboth	MA	
Nadeau	Hannah	Litchfield	ME	
Nadeau	Kassie	Vassalboro	ME	
Nadeau	Larry	Fort Kent	ME	
Nadeau	Savanna	Swansea	MA	
Nadeau	Travis	Litchfield	ME	
Nahabedian	Natalie	Southborough	MA	
Nally	Colin	Endicott	NY	
Nangle	Sydney	Windham	ME	
Narcisse	Lizzi	Fayville	MA	
Narofsky	Sophia	Hampden	ME	
Nascimento	Ryan	Somerset	MA	
Nash	Liv	Hermon	ME	
Nason	Charles	Boxford	MA	
Nason	Dillion	Milford	ME	
Nason	Maraia	Sebago	ME	
Nasrullah	Natalia	Hopkinton	MA	
Nasse	Jeff	Orono	ME	
Natalizia	Jake	Saunderstown	RI	
Nathan	Abby	Camden	ME	
Neal	Madi	Monmouth	ME	
Neal	Rylan	Bar Mills	ME	
Neel	Patty	Bangor	ME	
Nel	Johan	Wayne	ME	
Nelson	Emma	Wells	ME	
Nelson	Harper	Smithfield	RI	
Nelson	Jared	Scarborough	ME	
Neptune	Sage	Indian Island	ME	

Neufeld	David	Topsham	ME	
Nevells	Kaden	Hermon	ME	
New	Syeira	Limerick	ME	
Newcomb	Emma	Chelmsford	MA	
Newcomb	Madilyn	Perry	ME	
Newhook	Markie	Foxboro	MA	
Newick	Carissa	North Berwick	ME	
Newkirk	James	Bryant Pond	ME	
Ngo	Vinh-Nhan	Bangor	ME	
Nguyen	Alex	Easton	MA	
Nguyen	Rose	Castine	ME	
Nguyen	Soren	Saint Etienne		France
Nguyen	Thao	Waterville	ME	
Nicholas	Abigail	Mechanicsville	MD	
Nicholas	Nathaniel	Mechanicsville	MD	
Nichols	Annalyse	Bangor	ME	
Nichols	Kate	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Nichols	Luke	Falmouth	ME	
Nichols	Matthew	Old Town	ME	
Nichols	Stephanie	Windham	ME	
Nickel	Trip	Lakeway	TX	
Nickels	Claire	Hampden	ME	
Nielsen	Jayce	Kittery	ME	
Nightingale	Jared	Saratoga Springs	NY	
Nigida	Samantha	Fairfield	PA	
Ninteau	Emily	Dracut	MA	
Nisbet	Leanne	Swampscott	MA	
Nixon	Kyleen	Springfield	MA	
Nixon	MacKenzie	Holden	ME	
Nkulikiyinka	Theophile	Orono	ME	

Noble	Aaron	Bangor	ME	
Noddin	Connor	Bangor	ME	
Noddin	Jade	Bangor	ME	
Norbury	Kristina	Woodstown	NJ	
Norman	Ian	Holden	ME	
Normand	Jamie	Orono	ME	
Norment	Lukas	Glenburn	ME	
Norris	Camisha	Princeton	ME	
Norsworthy	Jeff	Yarmouth	ME	
Northway	Kae	Glen Burnie	MD	
Novak	Rebekah	Hampden	ME	
Novicki	Allie	Minot	ME	
Nowak	Claire	Geneva	IL	
Nowak	Lilian	Old Town	ME	
Noyes	Frank	Holden	ME	
Noyes	Kody	Topsham	ME	
Noyes	Tavia	Gardiner	ME	
Nuesslein	Adam	Bar Harbor	ME	
Nugent	Hannah	Sloatsburg	NY	
Nutting	Allie	Turner	ME	
Nutting	Tylar	Saco	ME	
Nygaard	Aubree	Old Town	ME	
Nygaard	Zane	Old Town	ME	
O'Brien	Erin	Santee	CA	
O'Brien	Liam	Oxford	CT	
O'Brien	Meadow	North Attleboro	MA	
O'Brien	Peter	Eliot	ME	
O'Brien	Seamus	Falmouth	ME	
O'Brien	Terence	Eliot	ME	
O'Clair	Kenzie	Westerly	RI	

O'Connell	Megan	Sanford	ME	
O'Connor	Bridget	Windsor	ME	
O'Connor	Siobhan	Chatham	NJ	
O'Donnell	Laura	Tewksbury	MA	
O'Donnell	Mackenzie	Portland	ME	
O'Donnell	Mary	Medfield	MA	
O'Dowd	Kelly	Millis	MA	
O'Dowd	Kristin	Millis	MA	
O'Flaherty	Mary	Lowell	MA	
O'Keefe	Armand	South Orange	NJ	
O'Keefe	Ryan	Amesbury	MA	
O'Kelly	Jack	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
O'Leary	Ryan	Scarborough	ME	
O'Neil	Meghan	Albany	NY	
O'Neil	Nathaniel	Andover	MA	
O'Neil	Will	Orono	ME	
O'Neill	Colin	Randolph	MA	
O'Neill	Dan	Bangor	ME	
O'Rourke	Ethan	West Roxbury	MA	
O'Sullivan	Julianna	Belfast	ME	
Oakes	Breanne	Hermon	ME	
Obaidan	Ali	Orono	ME	
Obrzut	Adam	Collinsville	CT	
Ocana	Ellie	Lincoln	ME	
Ochoa	Israel	Clermont	FL	
Odhiambo	Candy	Scarborough	ME	
Oehler	Morgan	Elkridge	MD	
Ofielu	Isaac	Saco	ME	
Ogle	Allison	Oxford	CT	
Okoh	Precious	Brockton	MA	

Olds	Terence	Cumberland Center	ME	
Olivares	Jasmine	San Antonio	TX	
Oliveira	Elijah	Lincoln	RI	
Oliveira	Isabella	Boxford	MA	
Oliver	Dylan	Hodgdon	ME	
Oliver	Ellie	Leeds	ME	
Oliver	Thomas	Lebanon	OR	
Oliver	Tyler	North Berwick	ME	
Olmstead	Emma	Orono	ME	
Olmsted	Billy	Warren	ME	
Olsen	Amanda	Columbus	OH	
Olsen	Tucker	Hartford	ME	
Olshin	Jasmine	Scarborough	ME	
Olson	Chase	Simsbury	CT	
Olson	Zoe	Trenton	ME	
Olzinski	Molly	Johnson City	NY	
Orach	Ethan	Gorham	ME	
Orakwue	Chisom	Lagos		Nigeria
Oranje	Paige	Lincoln	ME	
Ordazzo	Caroline	South Weymouth	MA	
Orlando	Samuel	Gorham	ME	
Ormiston	Cate	Wakefield	RI	
Orois Aznarez	Alba	Mollet del Valles		Spain
Ortiz	Sonora	Bangor	ME	
Orton	Emma	Waterford	NY	
Osborne	Reilly	Northampton	MA	
Ostman	Victor	Danderyd		Sweden
Otash	Trent	Berwick	ME	
Ott	Noelle	Upton	MA	
Otte	Erynn	White Hall	MD	

Otterbine	Lauren	Middletown	NJ	
Otto	Alex	Saint Louis	MO	
Ouellette	Ashley	Bangor	ME	
Ouellette	Chantal	Lamoine	ME	
Ouellette	Eli	Bowdoinham	ME	
Ouellette	Emma	Derry	NH	
Ouellette	Hope	Bangor	ME	
Outwater	Andrew	Millbrook	NY	
Outwater	Timothy	Millbrook	NY	
Overcash	Slade	Scarborough	ME	
Overturf	Maija	Corinth	ME	
Overturf	Tuuli	Corinth	ME	
Owen	Sydney	Old Town	ME	
Oxley	Cameron	Holden	ME	
Pacheco	Erika	Raynham	MA	
Pacheco	Mel	North Attleboro	MA	
Padilla	Mikayla	Midland	TX	
Paetow	Sabrina	Topsham	ME	
Page	Kaitlyn	Norway	ME	
Page	Lauren	Scarborough	ME	
Pagliaro	Maria	Sandy Hook	CT	
Paine	Marissa	South Paris	ME	
Pais	Ali	Peabody	MA	
Palazzo	Gavin	Simsbury	CT	
Palladino	Hannah	Auburn	PA	
Palmer	Elliot	Richmond	ME	
Palmer	Gage	Bowdoin	ME	
Palmer	Mikayla	West Gardiner	ME	
Palmer	Tiffany	Old Town	ME	
Palmeter	Josh	Orono	ME	

Palow	Eliza	Windham	ME	
Palumbo	Alex	Warwick	RI	
Panagakos	Gaby	Scarborough	ME	
Panetta	Brina	Saugus	MA	
Paquette	Drew	Saco	ME	
Paquin	Alyssa	Waterboro	ME	
Paradis	Alex	Hampden	ME	
Parady	Cassidy	Trenton	ME	
Parady	Eli	Trenton	ME	
Paratore	Gianna	West Barnstable	MA	
Paredes	Izzy	Lynnfield	MA	
Parent	Joseph	Kennebunk	ME	
Parent	Tucker	Cumberland Center	ME	
Parise	Alyssa	St. Johns	PA	
Park	Jinyoung	Suwon-si		Korea, Republic of
Parker	Anya	Orono	ME	
Parker	Elisabeth	Northport	ME	
Parker	Isaac	Dover	NH	
Parker	Lacey	Plymouth	MA	
Parker	Remy	Montclair	NJ	
Parks	Ben	Fairfield	ME	
Parks	Gavin	Calais	ME	
Parquette	Liam	Walpole	MA	
Parrott	Sage	Glastonbury	CT	
Parrotta	Emma	Cape Neddick	ME	
Parsons	Alia	Hancock	ME	
Passarelli	Josh	Scarborough	ME	
Pastio	Sarah	Orono	ME	
Patashnik	Ben	Scarborough	ME	
Patashnik	Emily	Scarborough	ME	

Pate	Maura	Milbridge	ME	
Patel	Niraj	Sanford	ME	
Paterson	Adam	Mapleton	ME	
Patten	Connor	Hermon	ME	
Patten	Donny	Belfast	ME	
Patterson	Jake	Benton	ME	
Patton	Joseph	Topsham	ME	
Paul	Ashley	Bangor	ME	
Pavlik	Zoe	Durham	NH	
Payson	Wilder	Falmouth	ME	
Pazdziorko	Andrew	Winthrop	ME	
Peacock	Hannah	Pittsfield	ME	
Pearse	Joshua	Hope	ME	
Pearson	Courtney	Holden	ME	
Pearson	Mariah	Mooreville	NC	
Pearson	Seth	Orrington	ME	
Pearson	Trevor	Holden	ME	
Peary	Alexandra	Cumberland Center	ME	
Pease	Isabel	York	ME	
Pease	Josh	York	ME	
Peirce	Cammie	Hermon	ME	
Peirce	Neill	Sewickley	PA	
Peitz	David	Fairfield	ME	
Pellegrino	Claire	Bangor	ME	
Pellegrino	Kelly	Bangor	ME	
Pellerin	Jordan	Windham	NH	
Pelletier	Chelsea	Madawaska	ME	
Pelletier	Gabe	Unionville	CT	
Pelletier	Marielle	Industry	ME	
Pelletier	Miles	Industry	ME	

Pelletier	Nicole	Brunswick	ME	
Pellizzari	Jack	Venezia		Italy
Peluso	Gabriella	Dumont	NJ	
Pender	Troy	Amesbury	MA	
Pendergast	Annie	Sudbury	MA	
Pendleton	Annabelle	Auburn	ME	
Penley	Hunter	Saco	ME	
Penney	Bennett	South Thomaston	ME	
Penney	Sarah	South Thomaston	ME	
Peoples	Kyle	Gorham	ME	
Perez	Mary	Laguna Niguel	CA	
Perfito	Olivia	Bangor	ME	
Perilla	Emily	Freeport	ME	
Perkins	Chandler	Exeter	ME	
Perkins	Daniel	Bangor	ME	
Perkins	Devin	Windham	ME	
Perkins	Dominic	Kittery	ME	
Perkins	Drake	Orono	ME	
Perkins	Logan	Exeter	ME	
Perrino	Francis	Norwich	CT	
Perron	Grace	Bangor	ME	
Perry	Cole	Hallowell	ME	
Perry	Emily	Kensington	NH	
Perry	Hailey	Orono	ME	
Perry	Jordan	Framingham	MA	
Perry	Julia	Mexico	ME	
Perry	Ryan	Middleboro	MA	
Persson	Andrew	Bangor	ME	
Peters	Aidan	North Waterboro	ME	
Peters	Dylan	Greene	ME	

Peters	Sam	Nobleboro	ME	
Peterson	Anna	Chelsea	ME	
Peterson	Jackson	Levant	ME	
Peterson	Josh	Levant	ME	
Peterson	Lydia	Auburn	ME	
Peterson	Rosemary	Oakland	ME	
Peterson	Tracey	Harrington	ME	
Petit	Emily	Saco	ME	
Petrarca	Greg	Tiverton	RI	
Petrovich	Matthew	Bridgeport	CT	
Petty	Jadon	Windham	ME	
Peyton	Madeline	Herkimer	NY	
Phan	Julia	Bangor	ME	
Phelps	Kai	Ellsworth	ME	
Philbrick	Maddy	Searsport	ME	
Phillips	Bella	Fairfield	CT	
Phillips	Billy	Houlton	ME	
Phillips	Claire	Falmouth	ME	
Phillips	Collin	Salt Lake City	UT	
Phillips	Elizabeth	Houlton	ME	
Phillips	Katelyn	Harris	NY	
Phinney	Sam	Raymond	ME	
Phipps	Owen	Newburyport	MA	
Picard	Sarah	Saco	ME	
Picard	Stephen	Saco	ME	
Pickard	Renee	Sabattus	ME	
Picone	Jojo	Bangor	ME	
Pidden	Christopher	Yarmouth	ME	
Pierce	Alex	Rome	ME	
Pierce	Emily	Old Town	ME	

Pierce	Lindsay	Gray	ME	
Pietras	Alex	Storrs Mansfield	CT	
Pietri	Brooke	Orono	ME	
Pike	Aiden	Belfast	ME	
Pilioglos	Ana	Saco	ME	
Pilon	Robert	Montgomery	AL	
Pine	Casey	Owls Head	ME	
Pinkham	Jon	Damariscotta	ME	
Pinnette	Anthony	Waterville	ME	
Piscatelli	Matthew	Cheshire	CT	
Pitman	Julia	Beverly	MA	
Pitrat	Liam	Hatfield	MA	
Plant	Ingrid	Hampden	ME	
Plant	Sydney	Bowdoinham	ME	
Plante	Isaiah	York	ME	
Plater	Alexis	Hughesville	MD	
Plese	Andrew	Richardson	TX	
Pliskaner	Jacob	North Andover	MA	
Plourde	Ashley	Winterville Plt	ME	
Poirier	Abbey	Orono	ME	
Poirier	Brenna	Londonderry	NH	
Poissant	Tristan	Les Coteaux	QC	Canada
Poisson	Ben	Vancouver	BC	Canada
Poisson	Brian	Wayland	MA	
Poisson	Owen	Brunswick	ME	
Poissonnier	Ethan	Norridgewock	ME	
Pokhrel	Swarnim	Orono	ME	
Poland	Kristi	Gardiner	MT	
Poliquin	Jamie	Lewiston	ME	
Pollack	Thomas	Blauvelt	NY	

Pollard	Mark	Old Town	ME	
Pollard	Sam	North Conway	NH	
Pollier	Kayla	Ware	MA	
Ponzini	Nick	Burlington	MA	
Poole	Nate	South Berwick	ME	
Poole	Will	Brownville	ME	
Pooler	Jeremy	Lebanon	ME	
Popadak	Amanda	Bowdoinham	ME	
Porter	Cody	Hermon	ME	
Porter	Kaylee	Palermo	ME	
Porter	Loryn	North Bay	ON	Canada
Porter	Sam	Sebago	ME	
Porter	Tate	Cumberland Center	ME	
Pothier	Mia	Biddeford	ME	
Pothier	Robert	Tewksbury	MA	
Potter	Jordan	Hermon	ME	
Potter	Lauren	Glenburn	ME	
Potter	Leah	Glenburn	ME	
Pottle	Cameron	Old Town	ME	
Potts	Christian	Freeport	ME	
Potts	Michael	West Roxbury	MA	
Poulin	Alan	Brunswick	ME	
Poulin	Gabe	Stockton Springs	ME	
Poulin	Nathalie	Belgrade	ME	
Poulin	Nick	Augusta	ME	
Poulin	Parker	Oakland	ME	
Power	Esme	Hope	ME	
Power	Jessie	Plymouth	MA	
Powers	Abby	Brunswick	ME	
Powers	Nick	Medway	ME	

Prach	George-Li	Claremont	NH	
Prackup	Nicole	Trumbull	CT	
Prats	Zoe	York	PA	
Pratt	Banalata	Bangor	ME	
Pratt	Logan	Palmyra	ME	
Praul	Hunter	South China	ME	
Praul	Jacob	South China	ME	
Pray	Allysa	Willow Street	PA	
Prell	Jonathan	West Simsbury	CT	
Press	Ida	Uppsala		Sweden
Preston	Dean	Windham	ME	
Prevost	Nola	Brewer	ME	
Price	Matt	Sebago	ME	
Priest	Kennedy	Raleigh	NC	
Pringle	Noah	Thorndike	ME	
Prodehl	Jena	Arnold	MD	
Profenno	Lucas	Portland	ME	
Prokop	Matush	Skowhegan	ME	
Prouty	Carson	Hermon	ME	
Puccetti	Emileigh	Clearwater	FL	
Pugatch	Sam	Portsmouth	RI	
Pugliese	Jessica	Willington	CT	
Pullen	Ryan	Oakland	ME	
Punch	Jessica	Hebron	ME	
Punch	Tyler	Hebron	ME	
Purseglove	Havelock	Tewksbury	MA	
Pushard	Matt	Brewer	ME	
Pyle	James	Fort Wainwright	AK	
Qualey	Sara	Norridgewock	ME	
Quinlivan	Jack	Shrewsbury	MA	

Quint-Wood	Mia	South Portland	ME	
Quintal	Aja	Deer Isle	ME	
Quirion	Briana	Waterville	ME	
Raab	Hayley	Metuchen	NJ	
Radakovic	Veljko	Novi Sad		Republic of Serbia
Radel	Sean	Kennebunk	ME	
Radzelovage	Teresa	Londonderry	NH	
Radziszewski	Aaron	Scarborough	ME	
Rae	Polly	Buxton	ME	
Rafferty	Neil	Mason	NH	
Rafford	Trevor	North Yarmouth	ME	
Raimondi	Abby	Groveland	MA	
Rainsford	Clay	Scarborough	ME	
Ramsay	Ian	Orland	ME	
Ramsdell	Emily	Ashburn	VA	
Ramsey	Jillian	Concord	NH	
Rand	Emily	Billerica	MA	
Randall	Jordan	Pownal	ME	
Rankin	Kyle	Southwest Harbor	ME	
Ransley	Harrison	Bristol	ME	
Ransley	Sam	New Harbor	ME	
Ransom	Gabriel	Windham	ME	
Rath	Reagan	Glens Falls	NY	
Ratz	Marcus	Limerick	ME	
Raven	Kristen	Thorndike	ME	
Rawat	Pooja	Navi Mumbai		India
Raye	Kaitlynn	Hampden	ME	
Raymond	Kayla	Standish	ME	
Raymond	Kent	Hermon	ME	
Raymond	Neily	Hermon	ME	

Raymond	Rebecca	Auburn	ME	
Ready	Colin	Eliot	ME	
Reardon	Dylan	North Reading	MA	
Reardon	Katherine	Westwood	MA	
Reboquio	R.J.	Lewiston	ME	
Redding	Aidan	Bangor	ME	
Reed	Josh	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Reed	Lauren	West Enfield	ME	
Reed	Myah	Newport	ME	
Reed	Sydney	Skowhegan	ME	
Reed	Zack	Scarborough	ME	
Reedman	Emma	Green Brook	NJ	
Reese	Connor	Veazie	ME	
Reese	Tracy	Veazie	ME	
Reeves	Thomas	Highland Lakes	NJ	
Regan	Adam	Old Town	ME	
Regan	Fiona	Orchard Park	NY	
Regis	Caroline	Acushnet	MA	
Reheuser	Kathleen	Keystone Heights	FL	
Reichel	Melissa	Hampden	ME	
Reid	Emily	Dighton	MA	
Rengifo	Valentina	Rochester	MI	
Revis	Max	Higganum	CT	
Reynolds	Ashley	Dexter	ME	
Reynolds	Dana	Wayne	ME	
Reynolds	Jackson	Winslow	ME	
Reynolds	Kelli	Mansfield	MA	
Reynolds	Mikayla	Waterville	ME	
Rezack	Stephen	South Berwick	ME	
Rheault	Riley	Portland	ME	

Rheinhardt	Jon	Succasunna	NJ	
Rhoad	Ethan	Brownsville	VT	
Rhoads-Doyle	Collin	Holden	ME	
Rhodes	Michael	Beverly	MA	
Rice	Jaylee	Saint Albans	ME	
Rice	Keagan	New Gloucester	ME	
Rich	Kaily	Lebanon	ME	
Rich	Max	Jamaica Plain	MA	
Richard	Joseph	Peabody	MA	
Richard	Kyle	Alexander	ME	
Richards	Jules	Brunswick	ME	
Richardson	Ben	Plymouth	ME	
Richardson	Emily	Leominster	MA	
Richardson	Jeremiah	Rumford	ME	
Richardson	Lauren	Brewer	ME	
Richardson	Rachael	Hillsborough	NJ	
Richardson	Sadie	Milton Township	ME	
Richardson	Taylor	Ellsworth	ME	
Richmond	Dylan	Mason Township	ME	
Ricker	Ashley	Gorham	ME	
Ridenour	Olivia	Richmond	ME	
Rider	Rebecca	Presque Isle	ME	
Ridge	Cassie	Brunswick	ME	
Ridgell	Colin	Arlington	VA	
Ridley	Kaitlyn	Brunswick	ME	
Riehl	Peter	Hebron	CT	
Riley	Andrew	South Portland	ME	
Riley	Madison	Williamsport	MD	
Riley	Makala	Searsport	ME	
Riley	Olivia	Brockton	MA	

Rinoldo	Becca	Upton	MA	
Riordan	Chandler	Lisbon Falls	ME	
Rioux	Brady	Gorham	ME	
Ritchey	Nicole	Coralville	IA	
Ritchie	Katie	Northport	ME	
Ritchie	Sam	Orono	ME	
Ritger	Davis	Freeport	ME	
Rivera	Sofia	Oakhurst	NJ	
Rivers	Nicole	Wakefield	MA	
Rivet	Ben	Groton	MA	
Rivet	Jack	Groton	MA	
Robbins	Allison	Ellsworth	ME	
Robbins	Ethan	Holden	MA	
Roberge	Brook	Cape Neddick	ME	
Roberts	Abigail	Damariscotta	ME	
Roberts	Brent	Brewer	ME	
Roberts	Dimarco	Wells	ME	
Roberts	Hayley	Corinna	ME	
Roberts	Lauren	Corinna	ME	
Roberts	Meg	Abington	MA	
Roberts	Sam	Old Town	ME	
Roberts	Sean	Harpswell	ME	
Robertson	Connor	Orono	ME	
Robertson	Derek	Yonkers	NY	
Robertson	Haley	Brewer	ME	
Robertson	Kaylie	Pembroke	ME	
Robidoux	Tyler	Merrimack	NH	
Robinson	Chris	Plymouth	ME	
Robinson	Connor	Gray	ME	
Robinson	Jada	Bangor	ME	

Robinson	John	Orono	ME	
Robinson	Kaitlin	Wilmington	MA	
Robinson	Natalie	Wells	ME	
Robinson	Sam	Mashpee	MA	
Robinson	Zach	San Francisco	CA	
Rocks	Morgan	Jonesport	ME	
Rockwell	Brandon	Orono	ME	
Rockwood	Olivia	Windsor	VT	
Rodriguez	Sethany	Veazie	ME	
Roebuck	Lewis	Wakefield	RI	
Roehrich	Kacey	Flanders	NJ	
Roeser	Matt	Casco	ME	
Rogers	Kirstie	Winslow	ME	
Rohrbacher	Peter	Bordentown	NJ	
Rolfe	Avery	Windham	ME	
Rollins	Caitlyn	Livermore	ME	
Rollins	Leila	Orono	ME	
Roman	Victoria	Alexandria	NH	
Roman	Zander	Belfast	ME	
Romanoski	Xavier	Strong	ME	
Romanski	Bill	Westerly	RI	
Roof	Robert	Bangor	ME	
Rooms	Caitlyn	Guthrie	OK	
Rosander	Chad	Sanford	ME	
Rosati	Antonia	Medford	MA	
Rose	Nick	Raymond	ME	
Roseman	Ben	Ellicott City	MD	
Rosenbluth	Marisol	Burlington	VT	
Rospide	Gabriella	Swampscott	MA	
Ross	Callie	Walpole	MA	

Ross	Eli	Sidney	ME	
Ross	J.C.	Fairhaven	MA	
Ross	Julia	Vancouver	BC	Canada
Rossi	Marissa	Waltham	MA	
Roth	Emily	Little Egg Harbor Township	NJ	
Roth	Emily	Auburn	ME	
Rothhaar	Brad	Pembroke	MA	
Rottari	Josiah	New Gloucester	ME	
Round	Elizabeth	North Andover	MA	
Roussel	Simon	Gorham	ME	
Rowell	Amelia	Eliot	ME	
Roy	Abby	Scarborough	ME	
Roy	David	Fort Kent	ME	
Roy	Emilee	Hollis Center	ME	
Roy	Mike	Albion	ME	
Roy	Tanya	Vernon Rockville	CT	
Roy-Becker	Jack	Yarmouth	ME	
Royle	Grace	Minot	ME	
Rubin	Emily	Wakefield	MA	
Rubley	Zack	Shrewsbury	MA	
Rudai	Andi	Phoenix	MD	
Rudis	Jarrold	Berwick	ME	
Ruggiero	Lindsey	Orrington	ME	
Ruksznis	Jackie	South Berwick	ME	
Rukumbuzi	Francois	Westbrook	ME	
Rumohr	Michael	Old Town	ME	
Rumsey	C.J.	Gray	ME	
Rumsey	Genevieve	Orono	ME	
Runyambo	Michee	Hillsborough	NC	
Rush	Adam	Hermon	ME	

Rusiecki	Aaron	Freeport	ME	
Russell	Christy	Providence	RI	
Russell	Lynsie	Old Town	ME	
Russell	Rianna	Windham	ME	
Russell	Sophie	York	ME	
Russo	Brianna	Randolph	MA	
Russo	Vincent	Poland	ME	
Rutherford	Alex	La Center	WA	
Rutkowski	Derrick	South Windsor	CT	
Ryan	Alex	Pearl River	NY	
Ryan	Ally	Leeds	ME	
Ryan	Shannon	Abington	MA	
Ryan	Tim	Abington	MA	
Ryder	Maggie	Sabattus	ME	
Saar	Dor	Maanit		Israel
Sabatino	Lauren	Scarborough	ME	
Sadler	Morgan	Erin	ON	Canada
Saffer-Meng	Max	South Portland	ME	
Sainsbury	Chelsea	Watertown	CT	
Sala	Pete	Leominster	MA	
Salafia	Anthony	Portland	ME	
Salamon	Phil	Tyngsboro	MA	
Salema	Damien	Keene	NH	
Salesky	Gwyn	Nashua	NH	
Salisbury	Will	Temple	ME	
Salley	Kyle	Smithfield	ME	
Saltzman	Lydia	Beverly	MA	
Salvo	Dan	Norton	MA	
Sandberg	Amanda Linnea	Skurup		Sweden
Sande	Matt	Shrewsbury	MA	

Sanders	Robbie	Kennebunkport	ME	
Sanderson	Hannah	Northport	ME	
Sands	Gabby	Plymouth	ME	
Sanor	Jamie	Beloit	OH	
Santacrose	Maria	East Nassau	NY	
Santamaria	Sophia	Kittery	ME	
Santerre	Haley	Portland	ME	
Santilli	Isabella	Wakefield	RI	
Sarandrea	Kaitlyn	Ansonia	CT	
Sarapas	Matt	Portland	ME	
Sargent	Jessica	Brewer	ME	
Satar	Dylan	Newton Highlands	MA	
Saucier	John	Presque Isle	ME	
Sauer	Olivia	Marlborough	MA	
Saulter	Sammi	Waterville	ME	
Savage	Emily	Plainville	CT	
Savage	Leah	Skowhegan	ME	
Savarese	Lea	Bar Harbor	ME	
Savoie	Renee	Falmouth	ME	
Savoy	Victoria	Washburn	ME	
Sawtelle	Sydney	Lyman	ME	
Sawyer	Camden	Gorham	ME	
Sawyer	Isaac	Orono	ME	
Scalia-Bruce	Bhavana	Portland	ME	
Scanlon	Carley	Bucksport	ME	
Scanlon	Ian	Topsham	ME	
Scavuzzo	Nick	Biddeford	ME	
Schaab	Jenna	Trumbull	CT	
Schaefer	Matt	Glenburn	ME	
Schaffer	Claire	Berlin	MA	

Schanck	Aaron	Pittsfield	ME	
Schanck	Olivia	Wilton	ME	
Scharf	Zoe	Waldoboro	ME	
Schatzabel	Brennan	Kennebunk	ME	
Schell	Vinny	Oceanside	NY	
Schendel	Ashlee	Farmington	MN	
Schessler	Eric	Manchester	ME	
Schieb	Matthew	South Burlington	VT	
Schmidt-Svejstrup	Jacob	Charlottenlund		Denmark
Schmitt	Michael	Orefield	PA	
Schmitt	Ryan	Mendon	MA	
Schnaitmann	Elizabeth	Monroe	CT	
Schnoor	Ceejai	Atlantic Highlands	NJ	
Schnurr	Jack	Fall River	MA	
Schor	Kim	Cromwell	CT	
Schrader	Ruth	Pembroke	ME	
Schroeter	Ingrid	Orono	ME	
Schumann	Anna	Moers		Germany
Schwab	Orion	Livermore Falls	ME	
Schwartz	Ethan	Ambler	PA	
Schwehm	Maya	Boothbay	ME	
Schweizer	Katie	Old Town	ME	
Sciarappa	Olivia	Charlton	MA	
Scobie	Claire	Hampden	ME	
Scocchi	PJ	Wakefield	RI	
Scott	Brendan	Cumberland Center	ME	
Scott	Caden	Portland	ME	
Scott	Caroline	York	ME	
Scott	Connor	Topsham	ME	
Scott	Dakota	Milford	ME	

Scott	Dev	Needham Heights	MA	
Scott	Rachel	Presque Isle	ME	
Scott	Zach	Hampden	ME	
Scovil	Haylee	Bradley	ME	
Scovil	Tate	Bangor	ME	
Scrapchansky	Lea	Brunswick	ME	
Scribner	Ethan	Scarborough	ME	
Scribner	Shanna	Bedford	NH	
Scruton	Emily	Framingham	MA	
Scully	Hope	Stonington	ME	
Searing	Llewellyn	Milford	ME	
Searle-Belanger	Brogan	Saco	ME	
Sears	Justyn	Scarborough	ME	
Seddiqi	Parry	Bangor	ME	
See	Isabelle	Portland	ME	
Seekins	Katie	Oakland	ME	
Seeley	Devyn	Perry	ME	
Seeley	Lilli	Bangor	ME	
Seifeldin	Karim	Exeter	ME	
Seigars	Camerin	Eddington	ME	
Sennett	Max	Bangor	ME	
Sentayehu	Fabrice	Orono	ME	
Sequeira	Roman	Barrington	RI	
Sernyk	Isabella	Windham	ME	
Settele	Avery	Barrington	NH	
Seuch	Matt	Trumbull	CT	
Severs	Quinn	Sanford	ME	
Sevigny	Hanna	York	ME	
Seward	Hannah	Kittery	ME	
Sewell	Marissa	Eliot	ME	

Seymour	Nate	Export	PA	
Sgrosso	Allison	Gilford	NH	
Shaeffer	Callen	Virginia Beach	VA	
Shahmoradi	Hannah	Orono	ME	
Shair	Sydney	Dedham	MA	
Shambarger	Geoffrey	Lisbon Falls	ME	
Shane	Amber	Vinalhaven	ME	
Shane	Andrea	Vinalhaven	ME	
Shannon	Julia	Lee	ME	
Sharp	Alainna	Glen Gardner	NJ	
Sharp	Ella	Blue Bell	PA	
Sharper	Bella	Orono	ME	
Sharples	Caitlyn	Buxton	ME	
Sharrow	Olivia	Glenburn	ME	
Shaw	Chrissy	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Shaw	Claire	Bernard	ME	
Shaw	Liana	Carmel	ME	
Shaw	Martinique	Lansdowne	PA	
Shaw	Owen	Hermon	ME	
Shaw	Remington	Newport	ME	
Shawqi	Humam	Bangor	ME	
Shay Mitchell	Stephanie	Indian Island	ME	
Shea	Aisling	Boston	MA	
Shea	Jaymie	Ipswich	MA	
Shea	Maeve	Brunswick	ME	
Shea	Molly	East Kingston	NH	
Sheaffer	Peyton	Lancaster	PA	
Sheehan	Sydney	Old Town	ME	
Shell	Ethan	Wells	ME	
Shepardson	Victoria	South Windsor	CT	

Shepherd	Ryan	Somerville	MA	
Shepherd	Dylan	Burbank	CA	
Shepherd	Noah	Fairfield	ME	
Shepley	Chris	Winchester	VA	
Sherman	Kayla	Fremont	NH	
Sherman	Nicholas	Hodgdon	ME	
Sherwood	Clement	Brookline	NH	
Sherwood	Hannah	Blue Hill	ME	
Sherwood	Nick	Orono	ME	
Shewack	Ben	Milford	PA	
Shields	Chloe	Eliot	ME	
Shiels	Matt	Norfolk	MA	
Shink	Cassidy	Fayette	ME	
Shipman	Josh	Paoli	IN	
Shokal	James	Alexandria	NH	
Sholler	Jakob	Howland	ME	
Shook	Matthew	Veazie	ME	
Shooter	Cori	Monroe	ME	
Shorette	Ryan	Milford	ME	
Shorey	Laura	Hudson	ME	
Shuipis	Tim	Colrain	MA	
Shunk	Nathan	State College	PA	
Siciliano	Gabbie	Simi Valley	CA	
Siciliano	Katrina	Middleboro	MA	
Sickles	Rachael	Corinna	ME	
Signorello	Zach	Sebago	ME	
Siliato	Sophia	Mahopac	NY	
Silva	Camilla	Framingham	MA	
Silva	Christian	North Waterboro	ME	
Silva	Tori	North Waterboro	ME	

Silver	Deborah	Old Town	ME	
Silver	Julianna	Old Town	ME	
Silvera	Jasmine	Lowell	MA	
Silvia	Emily	Orono	ME	
Simmons	Emma	Orono	ME	
Simmons	Griffin	South Berwick	ME	
Simon	Anne	Sandweiler		Luxembourg
Simon	Korinna	Southborough	MA	
Simonds	Alyssa	Belfast	ME	
Simons	Airikah	Norway	ME	
Simpson	Jordan	Old Town	ME	
Sinacola	Nick	North Attleboro	MA	
Sinclair	Megan	Blackwood	NJ	
Sinclair	Owen	Rangeley	ME	
Sincyr	David	Skowhegan	ME	
Sinderson	Donne	Orrington	ME	
Singer	Alyssa	Oxford	MA	
Singer	Violet	Falmouth	ME	
Sinibaldi	Nate	Phippsburg	ME	
Sirois	Jacob	Buxton	ME	
Sirota	Jakub	Orono	ME	
Sisson	Luke	South Weymouth	MA	
Sjoberg	Jack	Ridgefield	CT	
Skilton	Shannon	Swedesboro	NJ	
Slattery	Bobby	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Slattery	Lucy	Ashland	ME	
Sleeman	Charlie	Damariscotta	ME	
Slocum	Amelia	Bangor	ME	
Slocum	Bella	Bangor	ME	
Small	Colby	Glenburn	ME	

Smalley	Bay	Portland	ME	
Smallidge	Cooper	Brooksville	ME	
Smaracko	Marshall	Rollinsford	NH	
Smart-Pelletier	Dylan	Bernard	ME	
Smelter	Kyle	Bristol	CT	
Smith	Audrey	Orono	ME	
Smith	Brett	Kittery	ME	
Smith	Brittany	Duncan	BC	Canada
Smith	Cam	Norfolk	MA	
Smith	Cassidy	Brewer	ME	
Smith	Chiara	East Montpelier	VT	
Smith	Chloe	Roslindale	MA	
Smith	Eli	Farmingdale	ME	
Smith	Ellinah	Halloowell	ME	
Smith	Emma	Bangor	ME	
Smith	Emma	Old Town	ME	
Smith	Evan	Saco	ME	
Smith	Faye	Orono	ME	
Smith	Felicia	Lee	NH	
Smith	Gemma	Lewiston	ME	
Smith	Grace	Winslow	ME	
Smith	Hope	North Smithfield	RI	
Smith	Jackson	West Suffield	CT	
Smith	Jared	Orono	ME	
Smith	Jasmine	Old Town	ME	
Smith	Jason	Bangor	ME	
Smith	Joshua	Bradley	ME	
Smith	Kendall	Gorham	ME	
Smith	Kevin	Bangor	ME	
Smith	Kylie	Bangor	ME	

Smith	Meghan	Saint Paul	MN	
Smith	Melanie	Cranford	NJ	
Smith	Peyton	Hampden	ME	
Smith	Torin	Dexter	ME	
Smith	Travis	Belgrade	ME	
Smith	Tyler	kennebunkport	ME	
Smith-D'Addio	Savanna	Old Town	ME	
Smith-Herter	Justin	Green Bay	WI	
Smorczewski	Noah	Orono	ME	
Smy	Isabelle	Cumming	GA	
Snell	Hawthorne	Plymouth	NH	
Snook	Harrison	Centerville	MA	
Snow	Anna	Stetson	ME	
Snow	Jake	Plainfield	CT	
Snow	Sierra	Hermon	ME	
Snyder	Bonnie	Mount Desert	ME	
Snyder	Miranda	Brimfield	MA	
Sobiech	Megan	Eagan	MN	
Sobus	Aja	Orono	ME	
Sockalexis	Willow	Indian Island	ME	
Sockbeson	Kristen	Bangor	ME	
Solans	Paige	Orono	ME	
Soler	Shania	Orono	ME	
Sollitt	Arthur	South China	ME	
Solman	Jordan	Dayton	ME	
Solomon	Tessa	Houlton	ME	
Somes	William	Ellsworth	ME	
Sommer	Jasper	Portland	ME	
Sorenson	Erika	Shrewsbury	MA	
Sorgini	Brianna	Amesbury	MA	

Sossong	Brooke	Old Town	ME	
Soucy	Emilienne	Old Town	ME	
Soucy	Evangeline	Augusta	ME	
Soucy	Melanie	Old Town	ME	
Soucy	Nico	Sabattus	ME	
Soucy	Sean	Falmouth	ME	
Soule	Braden	Fairfield	ME	
Soule	Keenan	Hampden	ME	
Souliere	Connor	Alfred	ME	
Sousa	Alexandra	Hopedale	MA	
Sousa	Ross	Somerset	MA	
Southard	Stephen	Gray	ME	
Southworth	Katie	Hope	ME	
Spagnolo	Katie	Old Orchard Beach	ME	
Spann	Jennifer	Newburgh	ME	
Spaulding	Anna	Brewer	ME	
Spaulding	Jay	Sunapee	NH	
Speakman	Brynne	Bethel	ME	
Spearin	Belle	Bangor	ME	
Speck	Birte	Reinheim		Germany
Spencer	Connor	Old Town	ME	
Sperry	Emma	Casco	ME	
Spicer	Cam	Erie	CO	
Spiegel	Charlie	Searsport	ME	
Spindel	Jacob	Calais	ME	
Spinella	Vince	Chesterfield	MO	
Sprague	Lydia	Marshfield	ME	
Sprecher	Emily	Orono	ME	
Spriggs	Holly	Dover	NH	
Springer	Brooke	Glenburn	ME	

Springer	Tom	Wells	ME	
St Jean	Nate	Stillwater	ME	
St Peter	Eleanor	Presque Isle	ME	
St Peter	Melissa	Bucksport	ME	
St Pierre	Aubrey	Slidell	LA	
St Pierre	Elyse	Winslow	ME	
St. Louis	Natalie	Milford	ME	
St.Germain	Hannah	Foxboro	MA	
Staalsoe	Matthias	Copenhagen		Denmark
Stack	Michael	Buzzards Bay	MA	
Stahle	Madison	Wiscasset	ME	
Staines	Liam	Trumbull	CT	
Stamey	Mia	Westbrook	ME	
Stanek	Ana	Orono	ME	
Stanislaski	Kate	Somerville	MA	
Stanley	Lexi	Plattsmouth	NE	
Stanley	Will	Bangor	ME	
Stanley	Zachary	Bangor	ME	
Stanton	Molly	Franklin	MA	
Staples	Tori	Stockton Springs	ME	
Stavneak	Kaleb	Omaha	NE	
Stearns	Vicki	Veazie	ME	
Steeves	Rylea	Jonesport	ME	
Steeves	Spenser	Skowhegan	ME	
Stein	Derek	Big Flats	NY	
Steinbarger	Sophia	Orono	ME	
Steinhoff	Ben	Medway	MA	
Steinhoff	Nathan	Medway	MA	
Steinman	Kim	Cumberland Center	ME	
Stella	Joe	Pittston	PA	

Stephens	Corey	Bangor	ME	
Stephenson	Duncan	Concord	MA	
Sterner	Kaitlyn	Sandy	UT	
Steva	Benjamin	Saco	ME	
Steven	Willis	Bethel	ME	
Stevens	Abby	Island Falls	ME	
Stevens	Annie	Windham	ME	
Stevens	Braedon	Hermon	ME	
Stevens	D.	Toronto	ON	Canada
Stevens	Isabelle	Smithfield	RI	
Stevens	Jane	Upper Tantallon	NS	Canada
Stevens	Katherine	Winslow	ME	
Stickney	Max	Cumberland Center	ME	
Stiles	Mark	Bucksport	ME	
Stillman	Ezra	Falmouth	ME	
Stimpson	Dillon	Fairfield	CT	
Stjean	Drew	Old Town	ME	
Stockford	Meri	Bowdoinham	ME	
Stockley	Leela	Orono	ME	
Stokes	Colby	Hermon	ME	
Stollow	Julie-Anna	East Moriches	NY	
Stoltzfus	Karly	Weyers Cave	VA	
Stone	Addie	Stow	ME	
Stone	Gage	Exeter	ME	
Stone	Samuel	Greenwood	ME	
Storms	Benjamin	West Hartford	CT	
Stovall	Kathy	Glenburn	ME	
Stover	Lindsey	Enfield	CT	
Stow	Courtney	Southbury	CT	
Stow	Kaitlyn	Southbury	CT	

Strahan	Wil	Slidell	LA	
Street	Caty	Harwich	MA	
Streinz	Caleb	Hersey	ME	
Strickler	James	Tewksbury	MA	
Stroian-Ilina	Stephan	Bangor	ME	
Strolic	Caroline	Phoenix	AZ	
Strout	Justin	Portland	ME	
Stuart	Ashlyn	Corinth	ME	
Studholme	Maeve	North Easton	MA	
Sturgess	Lauren	Naples	ME	
Sturgis	Julia	Gorham	ME	
Sturtevant	Levi	Lewiston	ME	
Styles	Sarah	Guildhall	VT	
Stymiest	Aaron	Corinth	ME	
Suchovic	Jessie	Port Murray	NJ	
Sudbeck	Casey	Hampden	ME	
Sudol	Sabrina	Ramsey	NJ	
Sudol	Samantha	Ramsey	NJ	
Sulinski	Brooke	Old Town	ME	
Sullivan	Amelia	Kittery	ME	
Sullivan	Anthony	Sutton	MA	
Sullivan	Danny	East Lyme	CT	
Sullivan	Eric	Augusta	ME	
Sullivan	Mark	Old Town	ME	
Sullivan	Natalie	Dracut	MA	
Sullivan	Riley	Boothbay Harbor	ME	
Supple	Ben	Kingston	MA	
Suriano	Sophia	Manassas	VA	
Suthers	Keenan	Belle River	ON	Canada
Suttie	Elsie	Fairfield	ME	

Sutton	Kaitlyn	North Kingstown	RI	
Sutton	Trevor	Kennebunkport	ME	
Svec	Malcolm	Eastbrook	ME	
Swain	Sophie	Farmington	ME	
Swanson	Mick	West Bath	ME	
Swanson	Parker	North Yarmouth	ME	
Swayman	Jeremy	Anchorage	AK	
Swazey	Jessica	Bucksport	ME	
Swede	Allison	Catharpin	VA	
Sweeney	Gillian	Byfield	MA	
Sweetser	Brooke	Old Town	ME	
Swenson	George	West Gardiner	ME	
Swett	Sara	Glen Ridge	NJ	
Swift	Logan	Gorham	ME	
Swope	Samuel	Eagle Lake	ME	
Sykes	Wyatt	Waldoboro	ME	
Szewczyk	Thomas	Bangor	ME	
Szumilas	Kendall	Bucksport	ME	
Szymanski	Edison	Orono	ME	
Tabb	Isaac	Portland	ME	
Takaoka	Johannes	Machida		Japan
Tallapureddy	Arihant	Bolton	CT	
Talon	Gabe	Old Town	ME	
Tan	Ian	Orono	ME	
Tanner	Desiree	Brunswick	ME	
Tanous	Haid	South Paris	ME	
Tanous	Marla	South Paris	ME	
Tanous	Natalie	Bangor	ME	
Taplin	Dylan	Ellsworth	ME	
Tariq	Ayan	Lewiston	ME	

Tassinari	Maddison	Kennebunk	ME	
Tauke	Jake	Old Town	ME	
Taylor	Ashley	Dexter	ME	
Taylor	Avery	Kingfield	ME	
Taylor	Cyvorla	Standish	ME	
Taylor	Katie	Orono	ME	
Taylor	Michael	Holliston	MA	
Taylor	Ryan	Holliston	MA	
Taylor	Sara	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Tedenby	Celine	Orono	ME	
Tejeda	Radhaisis	Roxbury	MA	
Tello Estrada	Zareck	Fremont	CA	
Temple	Kazu	Old Town	ME	
Temple	Kylie	Richmond	ME	
Templeton	Nick	Atkinson	NH	
Tengstrom	Sarah	Brookhaven	GA	
Terpstra	Alissa	Orono	ME	
Terrill	James	Bucksport	ME	
Terry	Grace	Gray	ME	
Testa	Lauren	Gray	ME	
Testa	Madeline	Gray	ME	
Testerman	Noah	West Simsbury	CT	
Tetrault	Erika	Wallingford	CT	
Teufel	Will	Topsham	ME	
Thayer	Kayla	Old Town	ME	
Thayer	Rose	Sutton	MA	
Thelander	Tommy	Bristol	ME	
Theriault	Ryan	Auburn	ME	
Thibeault	Mackenzie	Litchfield	ME	
Thibert	Alli	North Andover	MA	

Thibodeau	Gage	Bangor	ME	
Thibodeau	Marc	Hampden	ME	
Thieme	Rachel	Topsham	ME	
Thiessen	Matthew	Altona	MB	Canada
Thistle	Mairead	Madison	WI	
Thomas	Elaine	Hampden	ME	
Thomas	Holly	Buxton	ME	
Thomas	Osiris	Kennebunk	ME	
Thomas	Seth	Kingfield	ME	
Thomas	Walker	Sidney	ME	
Thomas	Zach	Kingston	NH	
Thomas	Zoe	Wimberley	TX	
Thompson	Alyson	Howland	ME	
Thompson	Caroline	Topsham	ME	
Thompson	Jack	Waterville	ME	
Thompson	Kristen	Colchester	VT	
Thompson	Makao	Industry	ME	
Thompson	Marissa	Bucksport	ME	
Thompson	Olivia	Bridgton	ME	
Thompson	Rebecca	Broomfield	CO	
Thompson	Ryan	Cumberland Center	ME	
Thompson	Shannon	North Kingstown	RI	
Thompson	Steven	Friendship	ME	
Thomson	Hannah	Kennebunk	ME	
Thornton	Kelcey	Readfield	ME	
Thorpe	Lisa	Milford	ME	
Thorpe	Morgan	Wallingford	CT	
Throckmorton- Hansford	Willow	Somerville	ME	
Tibbetts	Cassidy	Litchfield	ME	
Tibbetts	Elizabeth	Mechanic Falls	ME	

Tibbetts	Parker	Dexter	ME	
Tidd	Allisyn	Eddington	ME	
Tillotson	Stephanie	Cumberland Foreside	ME	
Tillson	Ashley	Saco	ME	
Timms	Angie	Orono	ME	
Tims	Katie	Cornish	ME	
Tiner	Nick	Winslow	ME	
Tinker-Wadsworth	Margaret	Owls Head	ME	
Tirone	Stella	Freedom	ME	
Tittle	Morgan	Skowhegan	ME	
Tiuraniemi	Veli	Oulu		Finland
Tivnan	Jack	Whitinsville	MA	
Tobey	Wyeth	Brunswick	ME	
Tobon	Maxx	Brockton	MA	
Toby	May	Winn	ME	
Todd	Addie	Portland	ME	
Todd	Sara	Bar Harbor	ME	
Todd	Spencer	Portland	ME	
Tolmasoff	Arlena	Bucksport	ME	
Tomak	Emily	Lincoln	ME	
Tomlinson	Laura	Wilbraham	MA	
Toolan	Brian	Newburyport	MA	
Toomey	Niamh	Auburn	MA	
Toothaker	Evan	Ellsworth	ME	
Toothaker	Stephanie	Carmel	ME	
Topchik	Amy	Scarborough	ME	
Toppan	Ragan	Machias	ME	
Topper	Izzy	Hudson Falls	NY	
Torre-Nieto	Sebastian	Waltham	MA	
Toussaint	Noah	Auburn	ME	

Toussaint	Raleigh	Madawaska	ME	
Tovey	Travis	Sanford	ME	
Towle	Annemarie	Orono	ME	
Townsend	Lydia	Fairfield	ME	
Tracy	Jack	Standish	ME	
Trafford	Cameron	Limington	ME	
Trafton	Sophie	York	ME	
Tralmaks	Eduards	North Aurora	IL	
Traphagen	Elizabeth	Franklin	MA	
Travers	Bennett	Stratford	CT	
Treadwell	Alayna	Orrington	ME	
Treat	Allison	Carmel	ME	
Treat	Emily	Hermon	ME	
Trebilcock	Katie	Topsham	ME	
Trebouet	Nicolas	Brewer	ME	
Tremblay	Brendon	Acton	ME	
Triana	Jen	Prospect	CT	
Trimper	Morgan	Veazie	ME	
Tripp	Matthew	Hermon	ME	
Trodden	Abby	Marshfield	MA	
Troiano	Samantha	Marshfield	MA	
Trombley	Anna	Mapleton	ME	
Trott	Ethan	Old Town	ME	
Trottier-Braun	Hannah	Lewiston	ME	
Troutt	Michaela	Brookport	IL	
Troxell	Alec	Portland	ME	
True	Mikayla	Sedgwick	ME	
Trueworthy	Noah	Rochester	NH	
Trujillo	Jillian	Old Town	ME	
Truong	Khang	Sanford	ME	

Truso	Luc	Morrisville	VT	
Trusty	Yuri	Bangor	ME	
Trytek	Ben	Mechanic Falls	ME	
Tschirhart	Julie	North Andover	MA	
Tucker	Orion-Bay	Orono	ME	
Tucker	Rick	Freeport	ME	
Tuomala	Jenn	Fitchburg	MA	
Turgut	Ata	Ankara		Turkey
Turner	Davis	Oxford	ME	
Turner	Echo	South Paris	ME	
Turner	Eric	Libertyville	IL	
Turner	Jennifer	Hollis Center	ME	
Turner	Kathrina	Old Town	ME	
Turner	McCall	Washburn	ME	
Turner	Myles	Royersford	PA	
Tykulsky	Hayden	Wellesley Hills	MA	
Tyler	Caleb	Palermo	ME	
Tymm	Sarah	Watertown	MA	
Ucci	Nico	Reading	MA	
Ugbuaja	Chimezie	Orange	NJ	
Ulsamer	Percival	West Haven	CT	
Underwood	Tristan	Wilton	ME	
Upham	C.J.	Old Town	ME	
Urli	Stephen	Massapequa	NY	
Ursino	Dylan	Middleton	MA	
Utesch	Peter	Atlanta	GA	
Vadala	Owen	Rowley	MA	
Vaidya	Nikhil	Medford	MA	
Vail	Blaize	Portland	ME	
Vaillancourt	Jon	Haverhill	MA	

Vainio	Hannah	Monson	ME	
Valcourt	Tony	Fort Kent	ME	
Valentine	Sydney	Eliot	ME	
Van Dine	Lauren	Glenburn	ME	
Van Duijn	Claudio	Blue Hill	ME	
Van Fossen	Michael	Grand Ledge	MI	
Van Newkirk	Sean	Natick	MA	
Van Tassell	Joel	Lyman	ME	
Vanderblue	Greta	Fairfield	CT	
VanGorder	Lauren	Tewksbury	MA	
Varga	Sabrina	Orono	ME	
Vargas	Andres	Lyman	ME	
Vargo	Alyssa	Brewer	ME	
Varney	Abigail	Turner	ME	
Varney	Devon	Pittsfield	ME	
Varney	Dylan	Windham	ME	
Varney	Ethan	Pittsfield	ME	
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Varney	Everet	Turner	ME	
Varney	Olivia	Augusta	ME	
Varnum	Alexa	Dixfield	ME	
Vasiliadis	Demetra	Whitestone	NY	
Vatis	Lizzie	Fairfield	CT	
Veal	Marek	Perry	ME	
Veenhof	Anthony	Milford	ME	
Veilleux	Cody	Waterville	ME	
Veilleux	Kristen	Gardiner	ME	
Venard	Kevin	Sullivan	ME	
Venderdahl	Michael	Sidney	MT	
Ventura	Zeke	Belfast	ME	

Verrengia	Carter	Hebron	CT	
Verrill	Lilas	Peachtree Corners	GA	
Vetelino	Ben	Veazie	ME	
Vickers	Mei-Ella	Jamestown	RI	
Vickery	Ryan	Franklin	MA	
Victoria	Steff	Dover Foxcroft	ME	
Viekman	Sarah	Dixmont	ME	
Viel	Sophia	Beverly	MA	
Viles	Carsyn	Scarborough	ME	
Villeneuve	Donavan	Montreal	QC	Canada
Vina Lopez	Maria	Santiago de Compostela		Spain
Viola	Patrick	Portland	ME	
Violette	Isaac	Oakland	ME	
Virgin	Matt	Lewiston	ME	
Viselli	Anthony	Bangor	ME	
Vitick	Jason	Commerce Township	MI	
Vittum	Richard	Burlington	MA	
Vittum	Zoe	Brewer	ME	
Vo	Gina	Bangor	ME	
Vogel	Chris	Orono	ME	
Volk	Lilly	Saco	ME	
Vose-Gimbel	Jack	South Portland	ME	
Vu	Anthony	Rockville	MD	
Wackerman	Ashley	Orono	ME	
Wadling	Fanny	Saltsjo-Boo		Sweden
Wagenknecht	Maria	Ellsworth	ME	
Waggoner	Sam	Gorham	ME	
Wagner	Will	Gibsonia	PA	
Waits	Liam	Augusta	ME	
Wald	Leah	Framingham	MA	

Walden	John	Lincoln	RI	
Walker	Kristjana	North Vancouver	BC	Canada
Walker	Samuel	Mount Desert	ME	
Wallace	Bradley	Westbrook	ME	
Walorz	Kaity	Lakeville	MA	
Walsh	Alexandra	Presque Isle	ME	
Walsh	Katelyn	Hermon	ME	
Walsh	Kerrigan	Ashburn	VA	
Walsh	Liz	Benton	ME	
Walsh	Meghan	Hopkinton	MA	
Walsh	Ryan	Franklin	MA	
Walsh	Sarah	North Kingstown	RI	
Walton	Sadie	South Easton	MA	
Wan	DonglanJun	Fushan		China
Warburton	Evan	Cape May Court House	NJ	
Ward	Brendan	Beverly	MA	
Ward	Cody	Tenants Harbor	ME	
Ward-Rubin	Noah	Fayette	ME	
Warner	Emma	Phippsburg	ME	
Warren	Emmy	Oakland	ME	
Warren	Erin	Natick	MA	
Warren	Jonathan	Orono	ME	
Warren	Katelyn	Skowhegan	ME	
Wasielewski	Vannessa	Lisbon Falls	ME	
Waterman	Sadie	Sabattus	ME	
Watkins	Gwen	Orrington	ME	
Watkins	Nathaniel	Old Town	ME	
Watras	Emma	Seal Cove	ME	
Watson	Josh	Glenburn	ME	
Watson	Nate	Windham	ME	

Watt	Aaron	Hampden	ME	
Weafer	Sam	Bethel	ME	
Weatherbee	Jackson	Lincoln	ME	
Weaver	Danielle	Saint George	ME	
Weaver	Griffin	Smithsburg	MD	
Weaver	Jacqui	North Haven	CT	
Weaver	Sam	North Ferrisburgh	VT	
Webb	Heather	Bangor	ME	
Webber	Abby	Garland	ME	
Webber	Josh	Springvale	ME	
Webber	Kaitlyn	Garland	ME	
Webber	Lily	Westbrook	ME	
Webster	Guin	Kingfield	ME	
Webster	Max	Braintree	MA	
Webster	Serena	Brewer	ME	
Weeks	Chloe	Bangor	ME	
Weinstein	Myky	Hartland	ME	
Weir	Kelsey	Copley	OH	
Weiss	Ma'ayan	Mount Kisco	NY	
Weitman	Mo	Hampden	ME	
Welch	Alexis	Boothbay	ME	
Welch	Caroline	Readfield	ME	
Welch	Colin	Saint Cloud	FL	
Welch	Gerren	Lewiston	ME	
Welch	Lily	Readfield	ME	
Welch	Sarah	Pittsfield	ME	
Wells	Dillan	Stratton	ME	
Wells	Isabella	Stratton	ME	
Wentworth	Emma	Sidney	ME	
Wentzel	Sarai	Auburn	ME	

Werner	Ash	South Hamilton	MA	
Werner	Larry	Searsport	ME	
Wesson	Daijah	Old Town	ME	
West	Bailey	Stockton Springs	ME	
West	Ian	Bangor	ME	
West	Julyan	Norway	ME	
Westbrook	Katie	Methuen	MA	
Westerlund	Emil	Linkoping		Sweden
Westhaver	Kate	Nobleboro	ME	
Weymouth	Allison	Scarborough	ME	
Wheeler	Gideon	Bowdoin	ME	
Wheeler	Judy	Bradley	ME	
Wheeler	Mickala	Orono	ME	
Whinston	Julia	Silverthorne	CO	
White	Basel	Jefferson	ME	
White	Elijah	Ellicott City	MD	
White	Emily	Jay	ME	
White	Emma	Wells	ME	
White	Eva	Orono	ME	
White	John	Bangor	ME	
White	Katie	Welcome	MD	
White	Liza	Rumford	ME	
White	Maggie	Duxbury	MA	
White	Michaela	Bangor	ME	
White	Noah	Orono	ME	
White	Patrick	Waldoboro	ME	
White	Steven	Mount Vernon	ME	
White	William	Brunswick	ME	
White	Zach	Exeter	ME	
Whitemyer	Evan	Rockland	MA	

Whiting	Sophie	Saco	ME	
Whitman	Reva	Cheshire	MA	
Whitmore	Abby	Holden	ME	
Whitney	Emma	Surry	ME	
Whitney	Kirstin	Camden	ME	
Whitten	Hannah	West Enfield	ME	
Wibby	Jessica	South Portland	ME	
Wibby	Travis	Old Town	ME	
Wichterman	Dennis	Ellsworth	ME	
Wick	Kayleigh	Orono	ME	
Wicks	Natalie	Readfield	ME	
Wiggins	Justin	Old Town	ME	
Wilcox	Leah	Warren	ME	
Wilcox	Sophia	Brunswick	MD	
Wile	Cooper	Amesbury	MA	
Wilkes	Maddie	Durham	ME	
Wilkins	Alex	Wells	ME	
Willard	Bethany	Eddington	ME	
Willard	Elizabeth	Winterport	ME	
Willard	Kendall	North Ridgeville	OH	
Willey	Delaney	Monmouth	ME	
Willey	Emmeline	Monmouth	ME	
Willey	Kendra	Pittsfield	ME	
Willey	Liam	Standish	ME	
Williams	Anna	Norwell	MA	
Williams	Annabelle	Camden	ME	
Williams	Ben	Cumberland Center	ME	
Williams	Connor	Union	ME	
Williams	Damon	Monroe	ME	
Williams	Emma	Wilton	ME	

Williams	Ethan	Holden	ME	
Williams	Jacob	Irvine	PA	
Williams	Lily	Westport	CT	
Williams	Maddie	Windham	ME	
Williams	Madeline	Mason Township	ME	
Williams	Nathan	Orrington	ME	
Williams	Rhakim	Worcester	MA	
Williamson	Brigette	Milford	ME	
Williamson	Dean	Teaneck	NJ	
Willis	Kyle	West Paris	ME	
Wilmot	Erich	East Walpole	MA	
Wilson	Amanda	Corinna	ME	
Wilson	Ben	Groveland	MA	
Wilson	Catrina	Harrison	ME	
Wilson	Culley	Orono	ME	
Wilson	Jackson	South Portland	ME	
Wilson	Mackenzie	Lasalle	ON	Canada
Wilson	Mitchell	Lamoine	ME	
Wilson	Sam	Fairfield	ME	
Wind	Willow	Orono	ME	
Winfree	Perry	Cary	NC	
Winn	Cait	Windham	ME	
Wintle	Rylan	Detroit	ME	
Wisell	Mary Isabelle	Cape Elizabeth	ME	
Witham	Athena	Bangor	ME	
Witham	Emily	Orono	ME	
Witham	Rebecca	Hampton	NH	
Withey	Courtney	New Vineyard	ME	
Wivell	Maeve	Kittery	ME	
Wofford	Lily	Dallas	TX	

Wogelius	Kyle	Farmington	CT	
Wolfe	Kaitlin	Walpole	MA	
Wolffington	Johnny	Milford	ME	
Wollenhaupt	Devin	Norton	MA	
Wondoloski	Anthony	Enfield	CT	
Wood	Cassandra	Clinton	ME	
Wood	Evan	Standish	ME	
Wood	Hannah	Ashland	MA	
Wood	Kyle	Orono	ME	
Wood	Marie	Acton	ME	
Woodard	Bailey	Parkman	ME	
Woodcock	Paul	Veazie	ME	
Woodin	Gordon	Corinth	ME	
Woodman	April	Biddeford	ME	
Woodward	Delaney	Corea	ME	
Woodworth	Fran	Owls Hoead	ME	
Woolfolk	Matthew	Mount Desert	ME	
Worgull	Jacob	Bangor	ME	
Worgull	Max	Bangor	ME	
Worgull	Tessa	Bangor	ME	
Worster	Jason	Lincoln	ME	
Worthen	Andrew	Mercer	ME	
Wortman	Daniel	Old Town	ME	
Wright	Haleigh	Ticonderoga	NY	
Wright	Jared	Ellsworth	ME	
Wright	Luke	York	ME	
Wright-McLeish	Ja'Shonte	Lasalle	QC	Canada
Wu	Chris	Malden	MA	
Wyatt	Bruce	Gorham	ME	
Wynne	Eamon	Woonsocket	RI	

Wynott	Christian	Norway	ME	
Xiao	Kelly	Bangor	ME	
Yagodin	Misha	Odessa		Ukraine
Yarbrough	Brynn	Wrentham	MA	
Yaskula	Mackenzie	Gorham	ME	
Yehle	Jeremy	Bangor	ME	
Yelle	Hannah	Carlisle	MA	
Yochim	Courtney	Point Pleasant Boro	NJ	
Yong	David	Sanford	ME	
York	John	Benton	ME	
Yorkey	Lucas	Poland	ME	
Yorkiewicz	Brian	Southampton	PA	
Yost	Matt	Brunswick	ME	
Youells	Nik	South Portland	ME	
Young	Audrey	Owls Head	ME	
Young	Ivan	Lincolnton	ME	
Young	Kenzie	South Berwick	ME	
Young	Maddi	South Berwick	ME	
Young	Madelyn	Owls Head	ME	
Young	Star	Pembroke	MA	
Young	Tommy	Cumberland Center	ME	
Yu	Mason	Hangzhou		China
Yurkanin	Joel	Milford	ME	
Zacchilli	Peter	Monroe	CT	
Zachariason	Sarah	Minnetonka	MN	
Zaenger	Calista	San Diego	CA	
Zamrock	Tawni	Lewiston	ME	
Zanoni	Jude	Brewer	ME	
Zapata	Gus	Cypress	TX	
Zaraneck	Caitlyn	South Deerfield	MA	

Zatir	Christina	South Dartmouth	MA	
Zeitlin	Benjamin	Milford	ME	
Zenuh	Dylan	New Hartford	CT	
Ziegra	Carolyn	Orono	ME	
Zientara	Grace	Needham	MA	
Zillner	Haley	Old Town	ME	
Zimet	Lam	Portland	ME	
Zimmerman	Stephen	Saint Charles	IA	
Zippert	Tristan	Hillsborough	CA	
Zmistowski	Anna	Phillips	ME	
Zucca	Kelvy	New Milford	CT	
Zuidema	Paige	Wethersfield	CT	
Zuras	Everett	Presque Isle	ME	
Zybert	Kaiver	Bangor	ME	

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Androscoggin County

Auburn: Isabel Bassett, Victoria Beliveau, Alexis Bellefleur, Samuel Braga, Avery Carter, Esther Chen, Max Creaser, Nick Davis, Abdelrahman Elbrolosy, Anthony Fabrizio, Abigail Fisher, Spencer Frahn, Demetri Gammaitoni, Riley Gilpatric, Caroline Hammond, Grant Hartley, Nathaniel Hernandez, Halle James, C.J. Jipson, Kaylee Jipson, Storm Jipson, Fayd Karim, Rebecca Levasseur, Jonathan Look, Gabe Lovering, Daniel Moreau, Annabelle Pendleton, Lydia Peterson, Rebecca Raymond, Emily Roth, Ryan Theriault, Noah Toussaint, Sarai Wentzel **Durham:** Sera Bigelow, Bailey McGee, Maddie Wilkes **Greene:** Jenna Boucher, Karen Cook, Sarah Lafontaine, Gary Lapointe, Dylan Peters **Leeds:** Tanner Binette, Dustin Jensen, Erin-Margaret Libby, Adreanna Michaud, Ellie Oliver, Ally Ryan **Lewiston:** Connor Androlewicz, Connor Bolduc, Hailey Champagne, Sarah Chaput, Chantel Dulac, Jazlyn Dumas, James Flynn, Avery Greco, James Greenwood, Ryan Handlon, Susan Johnson, Gabriel Labonte, Caroline LaPerriere, Jack LeBlond, Carmen Lee, Olivia Lee, Maraeka Merchant, Jamie Poliquin, R.J. Reboquio, Gemma Smith, Levi Sturtevant, Ayan Tariq, Hannah Trottier-Braun, Matt Virgin, Gerren Welch, Tawni Zamrock **Lisbon:** Jaden Burnham, Kaylin Le, Levi Levesque **Lisbon Falls:** Timber Mattson, Sarah Moreau, Chandler Riordan, Geoffrey Shambarger, Vannessa Wasielewski **Livermore:** Abby Castonguay, Grace Harmatys, Gunnar Higgins, Caitlyn Rollins **Livermore Falls:** Wes Brinegar, Orion Schwab **Mechanic Falls:** Alexandra Hewitt, Elizabeth Tibbetts, Ben Trytek **Minot:** Zane Dustin, Alyssa Gagne, Jordan Gregory, Zach Labonne, Allie Novicki, Grace Royle **Poland:** Lizzy Champagne, Ben Daigneault, Maia Ferguson, Sofia Hartley, Joshua Majors, Vincent Russo, Lucas Yorkey **Sabattus:** Mikki Gervais, Renee Pickard, Maggie Ryder, Nico Soucy, Sadie Waterman **Turner:** Tamra Benson, Mal Casey, Nathanael Goulette, Allie Nutting, Abigail Varney, Ethan Varney, Everet Varney **Wales:** Morgan Inman, Adam Lapointe

Aroostook County

Ashland: Graham Berry, Peng Cheng, Lucas Craig, Lucy Slattery **Blaine:** Jimmy Hotham **Bridgewater:** Brayden Bradbury **Caribou:** Tiernan Barbosa, Chandler Bell, Cullin Caverhill, Alec Cyr, Andre Daigle, Meagan Dube, Noah Frost, Nickolas Guerrette, Tanner Hanes, Alex Hyde, Austin LaPlante, Chelsea Levesque, Liam McMillon **Cary Plantation:** Grace Graham **Connor Township:** Victoria Leavitt **Eagle Lake:** Samuel Swope **Fort Fairfield:** Ethan Cassidy, Teresa Maynard **Fort Kent:** Lily Brickman, Larry Nadeau, David Roy, Tony Valcourt **Frenchville:** Olivia Gervais, Sarah Lavertu **Hersey:** Caleb Streinz

Hodgdon: Dylan Oliver, Nicholas Sherman **Houlton:** Alyssa Abbotoni, Nathan Bouchard, Chloe Davis, Sarah Delano, Jillian Haggerty, Sara Howland, Abe Lorom, Sydney Lorom, Dominic Miller, Billy Phillips, Elizabeth Phillips, Tessa Solomon **Island Falls:** Cassidy Mathers, Abby Stevens **Linneus:** Autumn Ganzel **Littleton:** David Gogan **Madawaska:** Alex Bourgoin, Matt Cyr, Jenna Dugal, Ben Hebert, Evan Hebert, Keri Hebert, Hollie Morneau, Chelsea Pelletier, Raleigh Toussaint **Mapleton:** Dustin Alward, Katelyn Amero, Hannah Clark, Paige McHatten, Adam Paterson, Anna Trombley **Mars Hill:** Sydney Garrison **New Canada:** Jonny Blanchette **New Sweden:** Austin Findlen **Oakfield:** Shelby Lewis **Presque Isle:** Hana Boucher, Rebecca Collins, Cooper Dahlberg, Sydney Durepo, Julia Good, Morgan Ireland, Alexandra Koretsky, Emily Lagerstrom, Sophia Lambert, Zechariah Morse, Rebecca Rider, John Saucier, Rachel Scott, Eleanor St Peter, Alexandra Walsh, Everett Zuras **Sinclair:** Dorothy Harris **Stockholm:** Evan Desmond **Van Buren:** Lyndsey Lavoie **Washburn:** Garrett Morneau, Sarah Morneau, Victoria Savoy, McCall Turner **Winterville Plantation:** Ashley Plourde

Cumberland County

Bridgton: Emma Crawford, Douglas Mayo, Matthew Mayo, Olivia Emmertz **Brunswick:** Tessa Alexander, Jesse Arford, Forrest Blankenship, Tobyn Blatt, Erin Bradstreet, Max Burtis, Amanda Cloutier, Cameron Daly, Alyssa Demanche, Hannah Dritschilo, Joshua Flanagan, Bronte Fontaine, Chappy Hall, Josh Hodgdon, Brittany Kaler, Chloe Kilborn, Anna Kousky, Lizzy Koval, Kyle Labbe, William Labbe, Michael Marro, Kian Murray, Nicole Pelletier, Owen Poisson, Alan Poulin, Abby Powers, Jules Richards, Cassie Ridge, Kaitlyn Ridley, Lea Scrapchansky, Maeve Shea, Desiree Tanner, Wyeth Tobey, William White, Matt Yost **Cape Elizabeth:** Laura Arsenaault, Brian Ellsmore, Matthew Fishbein, Sierra Galgano, Ethan Gillespie, Brenden Goss, Nathaniel Holmes, Jack O’Kelly, Sara Taylor, Mary Isabelle Wisell **Casco:** Colby Emmertz, Emily Jackson, Kaylyn Jordan, Matt Roeser, Emma Sperry **Cumberland Center:** Sam Bonnevie, Connor Bray, Anna Briley, Nathan Bryant, James Davenport, Grace Marie Delisle, Anna Fitch, Griffin Fluet, Ben Follett, Aidan Greenlee, Amelia Greenlee, Liam Greenlee, Molly Hale, Aaron Howell, Alex Kroot, Nicole Lemoine, Tim Lester, Erin Libby, Austin Loveless, Luke Marsanskis, Natalie Mullin, Terence Olds, Tucker Parent, Alexandra Peary, Tate Porter, Brendan Scott, Kim Steinman, Max Stickney, Ryan Thompson, Ben Williams, Tommy Young **Cumberland Foreside:** Patrick Lyden, Stephanie Tillotson **East Baldwin:** Jordan Miner **Falmouth:** Tom Adams, Gwenyth Armitage, Juliana Baranowski, Gretchen Barney, Holly Barney, Molly Barter, Reade Carmichael, Cassidy Castillo Parkman, Evie Clement, Joseph Cyr-Brophy, Garrett Daniels, Will Emanuel, Gretchen Favreau, Fiona Ferrell, Mary Giglio, Isabelle Hallagan, Tholia Hallett, Jason Halliday, Paul Hamzavi, Shea Hendricks, Will Johnson, Kat Kane, Mitchell Kelley, Shaeleigh Kirkbride, Jacob Lorenzo, Jacob Marks, Maddie Marks, Luke Nichols, Seamus O’Brien, Wilder Payson, Claire Phillips, Renee Savoie, Violet Singer, Sean Soucy, Ezra Stillman **Freeport:** Fiona Barrett, Damon Butler, Natalie Domin, Madison Landry, Alexys Langley, Austin Langley, Amaya Marzano, Lauren Moore, Emily Perilla, Christian Potts, Davis Ritger, Aaron Rusiecki, Rick Tucker **Gorham:** Jordan Allen, Erin Arey, Georgia Baber, Dan Bachner, Connor Bell, Lizzie Blanchard, Andrew Brown, Delaney Burns, Haley Burns, Emily Chapin, Colby Christakis, Connor Coro, Brandon Cummings, Kasey Cummings, Garrett DeVoe, Lauren Edwards, Abby Enck, Charles Hubbard, Noah Jalbert, Riley Jerome, Kaitlyn Jodoin, Noah Lambert, Griffin Lord, Nolan McCullough, Grace McGouldrick, Abigail Miller, Maddie Mitchell, Ethan Orach, Samuel Orlando, Kyle Peoples, Ashley Ricker, Brady Rioux, Simon Roussel, Camden Sawyer, Kendall Smith, Julia Sturgis, Logan Swift, Sam Waggoner, Bruce Wyatt, Mackenzie Yaskula **Gray:** Dawsin Blanchard, Abbey Danforth, Elizabeth Davis, Alex Farrington, Nate Gendreau, Victor Graviss, Trizzie Ha, Jake Kackmeister, Brenna Milliken, Lindsay Pierce, Connor Robinson, C.J. 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Franklin County

Carrabassett Valley: Emma Downing, Alex Gerencer, Jonathan Maidman **Farmington:** Kali Howard, Tristin McFarlane, Sophie Swain **Industry:** Marielle Pelletier, Miles Pelletier, Makao Thompson **Jay:** Hannah Maurais, Emily White **Kingfield:** Jennifer Davis, Jackson Masterson, Katie Maxsimic, Avery Taylor, Seth Thomas, Guin Webster **New Sharon:** Ellie Bannerman **New Vineyard:** Courtney Withey **Phillips:** Anna Zmistowski **Rangeley:** Lauren Eastlack, Jake Farmer, Haley Morrill, Owen Sinclair **Stratton:** Maya Caron, Dillan Wells, Isabella Wells **Strong:** Xavier Romanoski **Temple:** Will Salisbury **Weld:** Michael Kersey **Wilton:** Katie Brittain, Jessie Hutchinson, Lexi Mittelstadt, Olivia Schanck, Tristan Underwood, Emma Williams

Hancock County

Amherst: Jess Majors, Kristin Moores **Bar Harbor:** Ruby Brown, Mary Chamberlin, Julianna Cleaves, Matthew Cox, Loren Genrich, Thomas Korstanje, Katie Losquadro, Abbe Miller, Adam Nuesslein, Lea Savarese, Sara Todd **Bass Harbor:** Drew Goodwin, Abigail Muscat **Bernard:** Christina Closson, Owen Mild, Claire Shaw, Dylan Smart-Pelletier **Blue Hill:** Kacie Bond, Gabby Gadsby, Erika Hipsky, Kassandra Martin, Suzie Milkowich, Kara Morrison, Hannah Sherwood, Claudio Van Duijn **Brooklin:** Alexis Hallett **Brooksville:** Cooper Smallidge **Bucksport:** Emma Bennett, Danny Bunker, Chase Carmichael, Jeremy Cole, Natalie Coleman, Haley Connor, Katie Evans, Hannah Ferrell, Jesse Ginn, Zoe Hosford, Kaylee Knowles, Mitchell Kohls, Alexis Krull, Kate Matson, Carley Scanlon, Melissa St Peter, Mark Stiles, Jessica Swazey, Kendall Szumilas, James Terrill, Marissa Thompson, Arlena Tolmasoff **Castine:** Rose Nguyen **Corea:** Kimberly Hunt, Delaney Woodward **Cranberry Isles:** Will Ferreira **Dedham:** Lily Audibert, Sarah Dorey, Sara Hunt, Anna Loeb, Jordyn Miller **Deer Isle:** Nicole Cortez, Amy Hardy, Jordyn Judkins, Aja Quintal **Eastbrook:** Malcolm Svec **Ellsworth:** Belle Albert, Wyatt Alexander, Lindsay Bland, Rory Burmeister, Joy Cartwright, Will Doty, Delaney Dow, Rushanne Facey, Elliott Gagnon-Victor, Riley Grindle, Colby Hamilton, Andrew Heiny, Kaitlin McCullough, Mary Morse, Kai Phelps, Taylor Richardson, Allison Robbins, William Somes, Dylan Taplin, Evan Toothaker, Maria Wagenknecht, Dennis Wichterman, Jared Wright **Gouldsboro:** Blue Howard, Skye Howard **Hancock:** Heather Andrews, Pamela Burhoe, Alia Parsons **Lamoine:** Elizabeth Dalton, Mackenzie Hanna, Madi Jones, Chantal Ouellette, Mitchell Wilson **Little Deer Isle:** Ennis Marshall **Mount Desert:** Cadi Howell, Megan Howell, Bonnie Snyder, Samuel Walker, Matthew Woolfolk **Northeast Harbor:** Louise Chaplin **Orland:** Tabitha Bishop, Hayden Jellison, John LaBrier, Reilly Linkel, Ian Ramsay **Otis:** Jack Lalime **Penobscot:** Samantha Charest, Heather Munroe **Seal Cove:** Emma Watras **Seal Harbor:** Ally Bender **Sedgwick:** Garrett Fallow, Mikayla True **Southwest Harbor:** Ashley Anderson, Sydney Kachmar, Camille Michaud, Kyle Rankin **Stonington:** Hope Scully **Sullivan:** Andrea Knapp, Kevin Venard **Surry:** Emma Whitney **Trenton:** Genna Cutshall, Zoe Olson, Cassidy Parady, Eli Parady **Verona Island:** Zoe Landry, Brittney Moran **Waltham:** Tanner Hardison **Winter Harbor:** Tara Flubacher, Ben Lehrer

Kennebec County

Albion: Ethan Caldwell, Elliot Dixon, Kensi Matula, Mike Roy **Augusta:** Gage Bernstein, Sam Blouin, Leah Daniels, Brandon Gosselin, Ian Harden, Cari Hopkins, MacKenzie Lewis, Mike McCarthy, Sierra McLellan, Nick Poulin, Evangeline Soucy, Eric Sullivan, Olivia Varney, Liam Waits **Belgrade:** Ava Ardito, Alexa Brennan, Emma DiGirolamo, Martin Guarneri, Marissa Kinney, Josh Languet, Dana Michaud, Nathalie Poulin, Travis Smith **Benton:** Alaina Hood, Jake Patterson, Liz Walsh, John York **Chelsea:** Gabby Benson, Mac Creamer, Alexis Everett, Katelyn Hustus, Drew Keithley, Nic Mills, Anna Peterson **Clinton:** Matt Brown, Cassondra Wood **Fairfield:** Katie Cobb, Kiana Letourneau **Farmingdale:** Cole Bryant, Eli Smith **Fayette:** Abigail Despres, Emma Fitzpatrick, Adrian Lefever, Cassidy Shink, Noah Ward-Rubin **Gardiner:** Hunter Bell, Lucas Bentley, Casey Bourque, Aidan Gregory, Tavia Noyes, Kristen Veilleux **Hallowell:** Mary Hicks, Camilla Jones, Cole Perry, Ellinah Smith **Litchfield:** Drew Gordon, Hannah Nadeau, Travis Nadeau, Mackenzie Thibeault, Cassidy Tibbetts **Manchester:** Caden Brown, Ian Dow, Cam Freeman, Quinn Galletta, John McLaughlin, Mark McLaughlin, Eric Schessler **Monmouth:** Ben Brooks, Libby Clement, J.D. Hodsdon, Madi Neal, Delaney Willey, Emmeline Willey **Mount Vernon:** Zack Holman, Steven White **Oakland:** Eli Caret, Olivia Durkee, Emily Giguere, Molly Glueck, Ben Gombos, Yan Gusmanov, Kristen Kern, Sierra Kerschner, Rosemary Peterson, Parker Poulin, Ryan Pullen, Katie Seekins, Isaac Violette, Emmy Warren **Pittston:** Sarah Foust **Readfield:** Avery Alvarado, Wyatt Cannell, Ashley Cray, Christopher Erb, Kelcey Thornton, Caroline Welch, Lily Welch, Natalie Wicks **Rome:** Austin Damren, Alex Pierce **Sidney:** Caitlyn Andrews, Amelia Bradfield, Lydia Bradfield, Haley Carver, Sadie Colby, Danielle Hall, Hannah Hargrove, Katie Luce, Sarah Martin, Hannah Mathieu, Lauren Mercier, Eli Ross, Walker Thomas, Emma Wentworth **South China:** Jay Austin, Molly Babson, Jared Gartley, Annika Gil, Hunter Praul, Jacob Praul, Arthur Sollitt **Vassalboro:** Kassie Nadeau **Vienna:** Chandler Ellis, William Ellis, Brody Looney **Waterville:** Michael Ayers, Estephanie Baez-Vazquez, Maggie Brock, Mike Colella, Ben Danner, Jenna Goss, Cooper Hart, Erica Joler, Peter Lai, Adan Lawlor, Hannah LeClair, Amelaine Llanto, Katie Lopes, Rebecca Maheu, Elwin Moss, Thao Nguyen, Anthony Pinnette, Briana Quirion, Mikayla Reynolds, Sammi Saulter, Jack Thompson, Cody Veilleux **Wayne:** Rachel Castonguay, Katie King, Johan Nel, Dana Reynolds **West Gardiner:** Cooper Allen, Kailee Canning, Katie Cavanaugh, Hunter Chasse, Timothy Cookson, Mikayla Palmer, George Swenson **Windsor:** Hayley Hinds, Kyle Kirkpatrick, Jordan Linscott, Bridget O'Connor **Winslow:** Andrew Bolduc, Kaylin Brown, Lindsey Comeau, Hannah Comfort, Daigs Daigneault, Katie Doughty, Sara Doughty, Jasmine Gregory, Sierra Harmon, Alexandra Karter, Isaac Lambrecht, Colette Latendresse, Riley Loftus, A.J. Maroney, Brea Martin, Jackson Reynolds, Kirstie Rogers, Grace Smith, Elyse St Pierre, Katherine Stevens, Nick Tiner **Winthrop:** Bennett Brooks, Hannah Eason, Phillip Easterbrooks, Taylor Forgue, Natalie Frost, Elizabeth Hollis, Matt Ingram, Emmanouil Karamousadakis, Kyle Keezer, Sophia Lynn, Nikki MacDonald, Mary Milligan, Andrew Pazdziorko

Knox County

Appleton: Ethan Ford, Myles Kelley, McKenna Maxwell **Camden:** Joshua Bentzinger, Hadley Berger, Hope Bifulco, Danila Borodaenko, Lillian Dailey, Izzy Gutheinz, Kai Hart, Maho Hisakawa, Grace Kirklian, Nick Leclerc, Tom Libby, Shannon Mackridge, Olivia Mandy, April Messier, Grace Minkin, Jett Minkin, Max Moore, Abby Nathan, Kirstin Whitney, Annabelle Williams **Cushing:** Aidan Andrews, Kelsey Brooks **Friendship:** Steven Thompson **Hope:** Charlie Cooper, Ross Dewaard, Kylie Fong, Louis Laurita, Isabella Merrill, Joshua Pearse, Esme Power, Katie Southworth **Owls Head:** Claudia Fox, Jacqueline Hall, Keller Lessard, Casey Pine, Margaret Tinker-Wadsworth, Audrey Young, Madelyn Young **Rockland:** Julia Barbour, Julia Clough, Jenna Conant, Karl Ilvonen **Rockport:** Emily Blackwell, Katherine Bowen, Marco D'Amato, Nick Denny, Kate Kemper, Ashlee McIntosh, Fran Woodworth **Saint George:** Chase Flaherty, Danielle Weaver **South Thomaston:** Martha Luttrell, Bennett Penney, Sarah Penney **Tenants Harbor:** Sierra Beal, Cody Ward **Thomaston:** Emily Boynton, Kaydin Frederick, Sam King, Mac McGraw, Makenzie Murray **Union:** Hayden Daigle, Emalee Grant, Alexis Mazurek, Connor Williams **Vinalhaven:** Amber Shane, Andrea Shane **Warren:** Amber Hagin, Naomi Kihn, Joel Morin, Billy Olmstead, Leah Wilcox **Washington:** Jane Horovitz

Lincoln County

Alna: Andrew Hutchins **Boothbay:** Graham Bryer, Maya Schwehm, Alexis Welch **Boothbay Harbor:** Tim Chappelle, Sydney Meader, Riley Sullivan **Bristol:** Kevin Fitzpatrick, Harrison Ransley, Tommy Thelander **Damariscotta:** Jon Pinkham, Abigail Roberts, Charlie Sleeman **Dresden:** Alex Allen **Jefferson:** Luke Hodgkins, Alysa Lewandowski, Basel White **New Harbor:** Kaden Lewis, Sam Ransley **Newcastle:** Aidan Manahan **Nobleboro:** Riley Cushing, Lisa Howard, Jordan Metz, Sam Peters, Kate Westhaver **Somerville:** Willow Throckmorton-Hansford **Southport:** Kyle Ames **Waldoboro:** Peter Alexander, Andrew Beaucage, Claire Bourett, Jake Faria, Amos Hinkley, Ashley Holmes, Steph Lage-Lichko, Allison Lupien, Emily Lupien, Zoe Scharf,

Wyatt Sykes, Patrick White **Walpole:** Keegan Daly-O'Donnell **Wiscasset:** Aidan Carlson, Madison Stahle

Oxford County

Andover: Douglas Bailey **Bethel:** Emily Hanscom, Emalee Harrington, Evan LeConey, Brynne Speakman, Willis Steven, Sam Weafer **Bryant Pond:** Sarah Grillo, Brandon Libby, James Newkirk **Canton:** Jill Conant, Emma Lueders **Carthage:** Noah Brown **Denmark:** Owen Burk **Dixfield:** Ethan Couture, Nolan Downs, Olivia Johnston, Sierra Keim, Alexa Varnum **Fryeburg:** Casey Kneissler, Sonia Leone, Sinead Lounsbury **Greenwood:** Emma Kruse, Samuel Stone **Hartford:** Kathryn Henderson, Karen McNeil, Tucker Olsen **Hebron:** Rosemary Eichorn, Victoria Eichorn, Nathan Godbout, Jessica Punch, Tyler Punch **Hiram:** Oliver Hild **Mason Township:** Dylan Richmond, Madeline Williams **Mexico:** Julia Perry **Milton Township:** Sadie Richardson **Newry:** Ricco Call **Norway:** John Bowen, Kate Bowen, Brian Cook, Luck Haviland, Nate McNutt, Sam Morton, Kaitlyn Page, Airikah Simons, Julyan West, Christian Wynott **Oxford:** Dominic Kugell, Davis Turner **Paris:** Kaisa Heikkinen **Peru:** Alex Briggs, Amber Ferris **Roxbury:** Peter Cogley **Rumford:** Andrew Arsenault, Vanessa Cote, Ellie LeDuc, Jeremiah Richardson, Liza White **South Paris:** Madi Bangs, Jordyn Gates, Connor Ladd, Marissa Paine, Haid Tanous, Marla Tanous, Echo Turner **Stow:** Addie Stone **West Paris:** Kyle Willis

Penobscot County

Alton: Joshua Hamilton, Donna Morin, Sean Musgrave **Bangor:** Danny Adam, Maher Alsamsam, Omar Alsamsam, John Anderson, Josh Andle, Madi Arno, Connor Ashfield, Cyd Atwater, Scott Audet, Ellen Babbidge, Lindy Bezgembluk Mena, Katie Bjork, Nicole Brissette, John Brown, Lucas Burt, Abby Cadorette, Max Carter, Jacob Caruson, Abbey Charette-LaBrequé, Brandon Chasse, Madi Clay, Tori Cline, Libby Colley, Jessica Commeau, Lacy Condon, Jacob Cote, James Cramer, Alexander Cross, Gabriela Cyr, Juliette Daigle Thompson, Tommy Daly, Sarah Danby, Gwen Davis, Tara Davis, Byron DeGrave, Brooke Dennis, Claudia Desjardins, Erica Desjardins, Kimberly Dixon, Rachel Dobbs, Gunnar Eastman, Mustafa Elhefnawi, Brittany Emerson, Jon Feix, Collette Filer, Lily Finch, Anthony Fiore, Andrew Fournier, Lexie Fowler, Landyn Francis, Chana Freedberg, Stephanie Frost, Lilly Furrow, Tom Gause, Remi Geohegan, Lydia Gilmore, Isa Gonzalez-Tenga, Kathleen Greenlaw, Ethan Grover, Dan Guidi, Sydney Hagarman, Glenice Hale, 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Scholarship applications open to Waldo County residents due April 1

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Waldo County residents entering their first or second year of post-secondary education are eligible to apply for one \$1,500 scholarship made available by the Waldo County Extension Association and the Maine 4-H Foundation. [Scholarship for a Sustainable Future](#) applicants must be pursuing a career in a field that supports the mission of University of Maine Cooperative Extension. Eligible fields of study include agriculture, horticulture, animal sciences, natural resources and environmental sciences, food and health sciences, education and youth development. Apply and find instructions on the [scholarship webpage](#). Completed applications must be received by the UMaine Extension Waldo County office by April 1. For more information or to request a reasonable

accommodation, contact Sadee Mehuren, sadee.mehuren@maine.edu; 207.342.5971, or 800.287.1426 (toll-free in Maine).

UMaine Medicine launches spring seminar series

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The University of Maine Institute of Medicine has announced its first spring seminar series, with Zoom events scheduled 3–4 p.m. every Friday from Feb. 12–March 5. All events are free, but registration is required. The series kicks off Feb. 12 with “The Social and Ethical Implications of Precision Medicine,” presented by sociologist Katherine Weatherford Darling, also an assistant professor of sociology with the University of Maine at Augusta. Registration opens Feb. 1, and can be done by visiting the institute’s seminars [webpage](#). The series also includes:

- “Glucocorticoid-Induced Developmental Programming: the Link Between Early Life Stress and Adult Disease Risk” on Feb. 19.
- “The Fast-Paced, Ever-Changing Healthcare Environment: Early Findings about Microbial Presence and the Cost of Isolation Procedures” on Feb. 26.
- “Building Intergenerational Resilience — A Collaborative Community Effort,” on March 5.

For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Cecile Ferguson, 207.581.3026; cecile.ferguson@maine.edu. The institute will also host a second seminar series this semester from mid-March to late-April. Graduate students who attend the most webinars during both series this spring will have the chance to enter a drawing to win an iPad. Participants can also earn a one-hour CME credit for each seminar they attend, offered by UMaine Medicine and Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center.

Sun Journal notes UMaine Extension, 4-H educators participating in National Family & Consumer Sciences Educator Day

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The [Sun Journal](#) noted that educators from University of Maine Cooperative Extension and 4-H will be participating in the 2021 National Family & Consumer Sciences Educator Day, hosted by the Maine Association of Family Consumer Sciences (MAFCS), on Wednesday, Feb. 10.

Jacobs speaks to Southern Forecaster about staying active during pandemic

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Lauren Jacobs, a lecturer of outdoor leadership at the University of Maine College of Education and Human Development, spoke to the [Southern Forecaster](#) about the importance of staying active during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Southern Forecaster interviewed Jacobs for its story about the new community ice rink in Cape Elizabeth. “Americans typically do not get the recommended amount of physical activity, and so anything that can help people get moving a little bit more each week can be a huge benefit to health and well-being” she said. “An outdoor ice rink would be a great way to help increase physical activity in a community, while also trying to be as safe as possible during the pandemic.”

Advertiser Democrat advances ‘Practical Project Management’ program

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The [Advertiser Democrat](#) advanced the University of Maine Hutchinson Center’s upcoming online project management program. “Practical Project Management” will be held from 12:30–4:30 p.m. on March 12, 17, 19 and 24 via Zoom. A second round of sessions will be held on May 5, 7, 12 and 14. Register [online](#).

Media advance Witham discussion of small forest mammals Feb. 18

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The [Portland Press Herald](#), [Centralmaine.com](#) and the [Times Record](#) noted that Jack Witham, an associate scientist in the School of Forest Resources and site manager of Holt Research Forest, will discuss small mammal research at the forest in an upcoming talk. In previewing the event, the [Bangor Daily News](#) interviewed Witham about using small mammals to evaluate forest health. The Kennebec Estuary Land Trust will host the session at 6 p.m. Feb. 18 via Zoom. Register [online](#).

BDN highlights UMaine nursing students in report about vaccine access for rural Mainers

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In its report about Federally Qualified Health Centers providing rural Mainers access to the COVID-19 vaccine, the [Bangor Daily News](#) highlighted University of Maine nursing students, including Elizabeth “Liz” Round, administering shots.

Miner speaks with Eos about PPCPs in Ganges, microplastics on Everest

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Kimberley Miner, a research assistant professor with the Climate Change Institute, spoke with [Eos](#) for an article about evidence of pharmaceutical and personal care products (PPCPs) polluting the Ganges River. Miner says the finding adds to the growing body of studies documenting chemical and microplastic pollution throughout the Himalayas, which includes the discovery of microplastic pollution on Mount Everest. A team of scientists, which included CCI researchers, spotted microplastics on the “Balcony” of Mount Everest at 8,440 meters during the 2019 National Geographic and Rolex Perpetual Planet Everest Expedition. [EcoWatch](#) shared the Eos article.

National Geographic Young Explorer Ifeji describes summer institute experience with Maine Public

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New National Geographic Young Explorer Amara Ifeji described her experience with the Stormwater Management Research Team Institute at the University of Maine during an interview with [Maine Public](#). Cary James, the now-retired director of the STEM program at Bangor High School, encouraged her to participate in the program. “At that institute, I was able to gather so much knowledge about stormwater, as well as drinking water, as well as water justice, that would lead me to do some research around how to remove heavy metal contaminants from drinking water,” Ifeji said.

Apply for summer internships in Maine government

05 Feb 2021

The Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center is accepting applications for the Maine Government Summer Internship Program for summer 2021. The program connects students with paid, full-time positions with town and city governments and various state agencies. Internships will last for 12 weeks from June 1–Aug. 20. Students of all majors can apply. Job areas include education, engineering, social media, conservation, law, data analysis, finance and everything in between. To qualify for the program, students must be either a Maine resident or attending a college or university in the state; and be at least in the midst of completing their second year of college. Graduating seniors and graduate students can also participate. Most internships will be based in the Augusta area, but a select number will be offered in other locations. Previous internship opportunities have been available in Bridgton, Caribou, Gray, Saco, Union, Sanford, Bethel, Presque Isle, Portland, Bangor, Rockland and other locations. Some internships may be remote. The program offers about 50 different internships. Students apply to the program when supervisors request interns. The program selection committee then evaluates students for available positions based on their skills and interests. To learn about possible internship opportunities, review [reports from previous years](#) on the program [website](#). Students can [apply online](#); applications must include a cover letter, resume and unofficial transcript. Applications must be submitted by Feb. 28, 2021. Visit the program [website](#) for more information. Contact Peggy McKee at margaret.mckee@maine.edu for questions or to request a reasonable accommodation.

Nargiz Ali Zada: MBA program draws Azerbaijani financier to UMaine

08 Feb 2021

Nargiz Ali Zada aspires to become a company executive and open her own business. To achieve her goal, she traveled more than 5,000 miles from Azerbaijan to pursue a Master of Business Administration from the University of Maine Graduate School of Business. Earning an MBA has been a longtime dream for Ali Zada, who worked as a finance manager for a group of companies before enrolling at UMaine. Having close family friends in Maine and the institution’s reputation drew her to the Graduate School of Business. Read more about Ali Zada’s story on the Maine Business School [website](#).

UMaine Extension nutrition series for families starts Feb. 11

08 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension is offering a free, online nutrition series for families in Washington, Hancock, Androscoggin and Sagadahoc counties from 3:30–4:30 p.m. starting Feb. 11 and continuing each Thursday through April 1. “[Create Family Meals](#)” will include healthy recipes and tips for making healthy meal choices. Participants who join four or more classes will receive a gift bag with cooking supplies and a cookbook. The classes are free; registration is required to receive the link. Register on the [program webpage](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.255.3345 or rita.stephenson@maine.edu.

Media advance edible native plants webinar Feb. 24

08 Feb 2021

The [Livermore Falls Advertiser](#), the [Machias Valley News Observer](#), the [Boothbay Register](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) promoted the University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar “Nibbling on Natives in your Backyard and Beyond,” which will be held from 6–7 p.m. Feb. 24. More information about the event, which is co-sponsored by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, is [online](#).

Centralmaine.com highlights UMaine remote learning resources

08 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) shared a University of Maine news release highlighting educational resources available to support remote learning for students of all ages. Links to those resources are [online](#).

Alabama Newscenter highlights UMaine timberdoodle study

08 Feb 2021

[Alabama Newscenter](#) reported on a study of woodcock migration routes and population genetics led by the University of Maine. [Alabama WX](#) shared the Alabama Newscenter story.

Sieber article featured in The Conversation, other media

08 Feb 2021

[The Conversation](#), the [Maine Beacon](#) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) published an article by Karen Sieber, humanities specialist at the University of Maine McGillicuddy Humanities Center, about a violent 1919 campus incident that culminated in the tarring and feathering of two Black students. Sieber has studied the wave of anti-black violence known as the Red Summer, with her work, “[Visualizing the Red Summer](#),” used in classrooms across the nation.

MacRae talks with Maine Monitor about mining in Maine

08 Feb 2021

The [Maine Monitor](#) interviewed Jean MacRae, a University of Maine associate professor of civil and environmental engineering, about the by-products of commercial mining and their impact on the environment.

Summer University 2021 registration open

08 Feb 2021

Summer University 2021 courses are now available for viewing on MaineStreet. Summer is a great time for students to continue their coursework and make progress toward completing their degree. With flexible summer course schedules and nearly 900 course offerings online and on campus, students can fit in the courses they need to meet their educational goals. Summer and winter provide additional opportunities for students to [Think 30](#) credits per year to stay on track to graduate in four years. The 2021 Summer University calendar consists of three- and six-week sessions and an additional session for miscellaneous schedules, starting with May Session. In 2020, student credit hours increased by 19.82% and enrollments by 13.40% over summer 2019. Online offerings have grown by 115% over the past four years. This year, nearly 300 courses are offered online. More information, including a course listing and how to register, is [online](#).

Mitchell Center offers talk about moving to a circular food system

08 Feb 2021

Orono, Maine — The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine will host a talk about how food waste can be safely recovered and recycled from 3–4 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 22. New England is making progress toward a more circular food system, in which food waste is recovered rather than sent to a landfill. Some states have banned food waste from landfills, which lessens environmental concerns and stimulates new economic opportunities by producing heat, electricity and useful soil conditioners from recovered food waste. This movement is positive, but caution must be taken to avoid introducing contamination in the process. In this talk, UMaine researchers Jean MacRae and Cynthia Isenhour will describe the results of a recent study about potential contaminants in food waste, how food waste processors view the risks associated with them, and how to make a food system more circular, safe and sustainable. MacRae is an environmental microbiologist and associate professor in the UMaine Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. In addition to teaching courses in environmental engineering, wastewater treatment, air pollution and solid waste management, she researches biological remediation and the roles of microbes in nutrient and element cycling. Isenhour is an ecological and economic anthropologist, associate professor of anthropology at UMaine and a cooperating faculty member at the Climate Change Institute. Her research focuses on how history, culture and power shape environmental governance and policy. The talk is free and available via Zoom; registration is required. To register and receive connection information, please visit the [event webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ruth Hallsworth, 207.581.3196; hallsworth@maine.edu.

Registration open for online domestic violence intervention training

09 Feb 2021

The University of Maine Hutchinson Center, in partnership with New Hope for Women of Rockland, will offer two online sessions of intimate partner/domestic violence intervention training from 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Feb. 11–12 and March 9–10. The 12-hour curriculum, delivered over two days, was developed by the Maine Coalition to End Domestic Violence and partners in the mental health field to meet domestic violence training requirements for psychologists, clinical social workers and licensed clinical counselors enacted by the Maine legislature in 2013. These sessions of “Intimate Partner/Domestic Violence Intervention for Mental Health Professionals Certification” are designed for social workers, substance abuse counselors and other mental health professionals, as well as clergy, police officers and first responders. Four three-hour modules include information that prepares participants to work with those who have experienced or perpetrated domestic violence and abuse. Program topics include the foundations of domestic abuse, addressing the lasting impact of domestic abuse, intervention strategies for mitigating domestic abuse, and trauma-informed and culturally competent responses to domestic abuse. New Hope staff members Rebekah Shaw and Jesse Lucas will facilitate the training. Shaw, who currently serves as the advocacy and education director at New Hope, has been a domestic violence advocate for more than five years, and has extensive experience working with child protective services, creating safety plans and developing and delivering training to diverse audiences. Lucas, who is pursuing a master’s degree in social work at UMaine, is the prevention educator for New Hope for Women in Knox and Waldo Counties. With expertise in trauma-informed care and anti-oppression frameworks, she focuses on educating the community about domestic violence. The course fee is \$150 per person or \$60 for UMaine students; online [registration](#) is required. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available to participants who live or work in Knox or Waldo counties. For scholarship information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Michelle Patten, 207.338.8002; um.fhc.pd@maine.edu.

BDN advances live outdoor apple pruning workshop

09 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension workshop at the Yankee Woodlot Demonstration Forest at 7 County Drive, Skowhegan, from 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Feb. 21 and 27. For more information, contact Joe Dembeck at 207.474.8323 or somersetswcd.outreach@gmail.com.

Pen Bay Pilot, VillageSoup promote domestic violence intervention training workshops

09 Feb 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [VillageSoup](#) promoted a new workshop, “Intimate Partner/Domestic Violence Intervention Certification,” at the University of Maine Hutchinson Center scheduled for Feb. 11–12 and March 9–10. More information is [online](#).

WVH, Centralmaine.com report on new guide highlighting behavioral support networks in Maine

09 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) and [Centralmaine.com](#) reported on a new guide that highlights behavioral support networks in Maine for students, families and communities. Courtney Angelosante, lecturer in special education with the University of Maine College of Education and Human Development, is lead author of the [guide](#). “We wanted to get information to families who might feel stuck, might feel alone, that might feel stigmatized,” she said. The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) also reported on the guide.

BDN reports on improved COVID-19 testing at UMaine

09 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that improvements to the COVID-19 asymptomatic testing protocols implemented on Monday at the University of Maine have reduced participant wait times. President Joan Ferrini-Mundy piloted the revised testing procedures last Friday. Setup of the mobile laboratory that will analyze the saliva samples and return results in 24 hours continues.

UMaine Extension 4-H sustainable fisheries club registration ends Feb. 15

10 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H will launch a new club for youth in grades 3–5 about the science of sustainable fisheries that will meet online weekly from 3–4 p.m. Feb. 22–April 12. The [4-H Sustainable Fisheries Club](#) will include learning about popular fish species in Maine, where they are found, fish DNA and hands-on science exploration. Internet access is required to participate. The club is hosted in partnership with Maine EPSCoR and the Maine-eDNA project. There is no cost to enroll; all materials will be provided. Register on the [UMaine Extension 4-H club webpage](#) by Feb. 15. Enrollment is limited to 12 members. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact 207.581.8206 or sarah.sparks@maine.edu by Feb. 15. This club is part of the Maine-eDNA project (National Science Foundation project #OIA-1849227).

SCORE Maine, UMaine Extension offer accounting workshop for farms

10 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and SCORE Maine will offer a four-session online accounting workshop for small farms and agricultural businesses using QuickBooks from 6–8:30 p.m. starting Feb. 15. The remaining dates for the webinar series are Feb. 17, Feb. 22 and Feb. 24. “[QuickBooks for Farms](#)” includes basic principles of accounting; tracking sales, invoicing, payments and expenses; and reporting functions. Access to a desktop personal computer or laptop capable of running the software, made available to participants for the duration of the workshop, is required. SCORE Maine volunteer Michael Fortin will lead the session. The workshop is free; registration is required by Feb. 12. Register and find more information on the [SCORE Maine website](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Chris Howard, 207.570.2868; christina.howard@maine.edu.

VillageSoup, Pen Bay Pilot promote Maine’s climate future webinar

10 Feb 2021

[VillageSoup](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) advanced an online event led by University of Maine Cooperative Extension professor Esperanza Stancioff at noon Feb. 23. Merryspring Nature Center is hosting the online discussion intended to explore the realities of Maine’s changing climate and how coastal communities can adapt to those changes. For more information, contact 207.236.2239 or info@merryspring.org.

Lobster Institute cited in reports of yellow lobster landing

10 Feb 2021

[CNN](#) and [ClickOrlando.com](#) cited University of Maine Lobster Institute statistics in reporting that a rare yellow lobster was caught off the coast of Maine. [MSN](#) and [ABC 57](#) (in South Bend) shared the CNN story.

Media promote Maine Government Summer Internship program

10 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#), the [Mount Desert Islander](#) and the [Daily Bulldog](#) reported that the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center at the University of Maine is accepting applications for the Maine Government Summer Internship program. More information is available [online](#).

WVII talks with Humphrey about placing last beam in new engineering building

10 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with Dana Humphrey, dean of the University of Maine College of Engineering, about the Crosby clip, one of 36 inventions patented by UMaine engineering graduate Herb Crosby. The Crosby clip will be used to place the last beam in UMaine’s new Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center on Friday.

Media preview MacRae, Isenhour talk about circular food system

10 Feb 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and the [Portland Press Herald](#) promoted a talk by University of Maine faculty Jean MacRae and Cynthia Isenhour at 3 p.m. Feb. 22. MacRae, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering, and Isenhour, an associate professor of anthropology, will discuss a recent study focused on building a safe, circular and sustainable food system. More information about the event, which is hosted by the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions, is [online](#). [Centralmaine.com](#) shared the Press Herald story.

Lord Hall Gallery opens 2021 UMaine Faculty Exhibition

11 Feb 2021

Lord Hall Gallery will host a virtual opening for its 2021 UMaine Faculty Exhibition 5–6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, via Zoom. The exhibition, which runs from Feb. 12–March 12, will showcase work by Susan Camp, Wayne Hall, Samantha C. Jones, Andy Mauery, Robert Pollien, Matt Smolinsky and Giles Timms. The artwork on display will include drawings, photography, digital art, wood carvings and more. The exhibition presents an overview of the research and creative accomplishments of studio art and art education faculty. Anyone interested in attending the free opening can request a Zoom link by contacting Rachelle Maietta, 207.581.3245; rachelle.maietta@maine.edu; by 4 p.m. on the day of the exhibition. The exhibit will also be available during normal gallery hours, 9–4 p.m. on weekdays. The gallery is wheelchair accessible. Hand sanitizer is available.

UMaine announces 2021 Winter Carnival schedule

11 Feb 2021

The University of Maine Center for Student Involvement has announced the schedule for Winter Carnival 2021, which is set for Feb. 16–20. Designed with students in mind, activities include a campuswide bear hunt, trivia night, a game of Kahoot with President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and the deans, and casino night, in addition to the traditional outdoor events such as the Winter Olympics, sledding and a bonfire. The highlight for this year features an ice sculpture on MLK Plaza. Friend groups and organizations are encouraged to register as teams to be eligible for prizes awarded based on points earned at the week-long events. The full schedule includes: Tuesday, Feb. 16:

- Bear Hunt, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., campuswide One hundred miniature bears will be hidden around campus for students to find.
- Surprise Giveaway, noon, on the Mall in front of Fogler Library A giveaway to the first 100 students sponsored by the Center for Student Involvement and Dining Services.
- Warm and Fuzzies Pickup, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Memorial Union Information Booth Supplies needed to make fleece blankets or to crochet blanket squares will be available for free; completed items will be donated to Project Linus.
- What's Love Got to Do With It? 6 p.m., Memorial Union North Pod A spin-off of the Newlywed Game, this event will test friends and romantic partners' knowledge of each other to highlight positive qualities.
- Sledding, noon–2 p.m., on the hill near Beta House Sleds will be available with points earned for speed and style.

Wednesday, Feb. 17:

- Ice Sculpture Demonstration, noon, MLK Plaza Watch SubZero Ice Carvings transform a 600-pound block of ice into a masterpiece.
- Class of '21 Trivia Night, 7 p.m., via Zoom Test your trivia knowledge with the Senior Class Council to earn cash prizes.

Thursday, Feb. 18:

- Warm and Fuzzies Pickup, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Memorial Union Information Booth
- Kahoot with the President, 2 p.m., via Zoom Compete with campus administrators to earn prizes for the most correct answers.
- Winter Olympics and Bonfire, 3–6 p.m., on the Mall in front of Fogler Library Grand UMaine Winter Olympics events will test agility, speed, accuracy, endurance and strength. Teams can earn points toward a prize of \$250 in student organization funds.
- Casino Night, 8–10 p.m., Memorial Union North Pod The Campus Activities Board will host this event, which includes prizes.

Friday, Feb. 19:

- Virtual Reality Escape Rooms, noon–5 p.m., Bangor Room Strap on a sanitized VR headset and enter a virtual escape room with three of your friends.
- Virtual Reality Game Night, 8–11 p.m., Bangor Room Use a VR headset to compete in games like Fruit Ninja and Rock Band.

Saturday, Feb. 20:

- Mega Mingo, 9–11 p.m., Memorial Union North Pod Win big prizes and earn points for your team at this twist on the classic Bingo game.

Winter Carnival 2021 sponsors include All Maine Women, Campus Activities Board, the Division of Student Life, Maine Bound, Panhellenic Council, Senior Class Council and UMaine Student Government. More information about the events is available [online](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ben Evans, 207.581.4183; benjamin.evans@maine.edu.

News 5 Cleveland cites Lobster Institute research in blue lobster story

11 Feb 2021

[News 5 Cleveland](#) cited research from the University of Maine Lobster Institute in a story about a blue lobster rescued from a Red Lobster restaurant making her debut at the Akron Zoo. According to the institute, “the likelihood of catching a blue lobster is one in 200 million.”

WAGM interview Brewer about impeachment trial

11 Feb 2021

Mark Brewer, professor of political science at the University of Maine, spoke with [WAGM](#) in Presque Isle about the process for the second impeachment trial of former President Donald J. Trump.

Isenhour offers tips for having sustainable Valentine’s Day to BDN

11 Feb 2021

Cynthia Isenhour, associate professor of anthropology and climate change at the University of Maine, offered tips for having a sustainable Valentine’s Day to the [Bangor Daily News](#). “Anytime we’re talking about physical gifts, from chocolates and flowers to jewelry, they all come with an environmental footprint,” she said.

Bustle interviews Hall for dealing with isolation

11 Feb 2021

[Bustle](#) interviewed Brenda Hall, a University of Maine professor of glacial geology in the School of Earth and Climate Sciences and the Climate Change Institute, about tips for maintaining mental resilience when facing isolation. Hall described her first trip to Antarctica in 1990, when she was 21 years old. “We learned to focus on the present. If you arrive in October and think, ‘Oh my goodness, I’m here for three months,’ you’ll never get through it,” she said.

Connor’s MaineBiz op-ed cites UMaine floating offshore wind research

11 Feb 2021

[MaineBiz](#) published an op-ed from Maine State Chamber of Commerce President Dana Connors, in which he deems floating offshore wind an emerging industry in Maine, that cites research from the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center. The op-ed, “Floating offshore wind is a new industry by Maine, for Maine,” noted the VoltumUS project and the collaborative demonstration project with New England Aqua Ventus.

Installation of final beam, time capsule highlight UMaine Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center ceremony

11 Feb 2021

The University of Maine will celebrate the placement of the last beam atop the structural steel frame of the new Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center during a virtual Topping Off Ceremony. The livestreamed ceremony, a tradition in building construction, is tentatively scheduled for 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 12, pending weather conditions and the construction schedule. Confirmation of the event date will be available on the University of Maine Foundation [website](#). Earlier this month, Consigli Construction made the painted beam available on campus for members of the UMaine community to sign in person, following all health and safety protocols. In addition, a virtual beam signing is online. A time capsule welded to the beam will include messages, as well as a Crosby Clip. Patented by Dexter, Maine native and UMaine mechanical engineering alumnus Oliver Crosby, Class of 1876, the Crosby Clip is still in use today as an essential tool in steel construction. The Crosby Clip will be used to hoist the beam into place during the Topping Off Ceremony. Oliver Crosby’s company, American Hoist & Derrick, made the world’s first crawler mounted crane, like the one being used to lift the beam. Construction of UMaine’s 108,000-square-foot engineering facility began in May 2020, with workers following appropriate COVID-19 health and safety guidelines. “This is a fantastic milestone for the UMaine community and the state,” says UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. “When the Ferland Center is dedicated in August 2022, it will provide amazing opportunities for collaborative, cross-discipline learning, and the creation of practical innovations by our students and faculty, such as those patented by alumnus Oliver Crosby. This Engineering Education and Design Center will be key to helping meet Maine’s workforce and economic needs. And we will have a beautiful facility to help attract diverse and innovative students from Maine and beyond.” The Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center will house the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering Program, and teaching laboratories for the Mechanical Engineering Technology Program. It also will provide collaborative learning classrooms that will serve the entire campus, and work space for UMaine engineering majors to complete their senior capstone projects. “A record \$78 million in public and private support has been raised for the Ferland Center, which will have tremendous impact on the sons and daughters of Maine,” says Jeffery Mills, President of the University of Maine Foundation. The building’s \$10 million naming gift, one of the largest gifts in UMaine history, came from Skowhegan natives E. James “Jim” Ferland ’64 and Eileen P. Ferland, and was announced in 2018. “This facility is key to advancing the Maine College of Engineering, Computing and Information Science, the University of Maine System and our state,” says Chancellor Dannel Malloy. “Continuing to increase enrollment in engineering and computing to produce the talent needed by industry is critical to Maine’s economy. The project itself is a jobs-creator and includes UMaine engineering alumni returning to their alma mater to contribute to its design and construction. This facility ushers in a transformation for higher education in Maine.” WBRC Architects Engineers, based in Bangor, and Ellenzweig of Boston designed the Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center; Consigli Construction of Milford, Massachusetts and Portland, Maine is leading its construction. “Ferland EEDC will become the heart of engineering education at the University of Maine,” says Dana Humphrey, dean of the College of Engineering. “It will help to retain talented Maine students, as well as attract even more from out of state. This talent pool will provide the engineering graduates and new innovations critical to moving Maine’s economy forward.” Contact: Margaret Nagle, nagle@maine.edu

UMaine Extension 4-H offers second session of club for new, interested youth

12 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H is offering a second session of the [4-H for All](#) club for youth ages 5–13 who are new, or interested in becoming, 4-H members. Meetings will be held online from 6–7 p.m. starting Feb. 17, and continuing March 17 and April 21. The 4-H for All club gives youth and families a way to explore 4-H and connect with others across Maine. Youth will participate in projects, and learn what 4-H has to offer and how to

become more involved in the program. The club is free to join; registration is required. Register on the [4-H for All webpage](#) to receive the meeting link. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Sara King, 207.743.6329; sara.king@maine.edu.

Online Critical Thinking workshop offered through Hutchinson Center

12 Feb 2021

[Registration](#) is open for an online professional development workshop, “Engaging Your Critical Thinking Skills,” offered by the University of Maine Hutchinson Center via Zoom 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Feb. 19 and Feb. 26. This two-day program, which is presented in partnership with the Maine Business School, is part of the Hutchinson Center’s professional development program, and is intended to teach skills that facilitate effective, directed action. Employers recognize that critical thinking is necessary for employees to bridge the gap between technical information and client needs. By addressing common communication issues, this program empowers participants to question assumptions, build constructive arguments, solve problems and negotiate positive personal and professional relationships. Terry Porter, professor emerita in the Maine Business School, will facilitate. A 2014 Fulbright scholar, she holds a master’s degree in clinical psychology and is a certified mental health counselor with more than 30 years of experience as a teacher, coach, guide and facilitator. The cost to attend is \$150 per person; a limited number of need-based scholarships are available for those who live or work in Knox and Waldo Counties. Participants will receive a certificate of completion, and 0.75 CEUs/7.5 contact hours are available. For information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Michelle Patten, 207.338.8002; um.fhc.pd@maine.edu.

BDN notes UMaine’s assistance in securing grant for recreation center

12 Feb 2021

A news release published in the [Bangor Daily News](#) noted the University of Maine helping the Orono Economic Development Corporation secure a \$120,000 grant to transform the buildings at the former Taylor Bait Farm, Orono, into a regional recreation center. Members from the UMaine community serve on the corporation’s board of directors.

Centralmaine.com advances 4-H Sustainable Fisheries Club

12 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) promoted the University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H launching its new 4-H Sustainable Fisheries Club. More information can be found [online](#).

BDN highlights UMaine alumni’s lobster skin cream company

12 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported on Marin Skincare, owned by University of Maine alumni Patrick Breeding and Amber Boutiette, and how it is operating in the New England Ocean Cluster waterfront business incubator in South Portland. The company, which earned a funding award from Maine Sea Grant through its Buoy Maine competition, makes skin hydration cream made with lobster hemolymph.

Johnson speaks to WAGM about lack of snow affecting crop production

12 Feb 2021

Steven Johnson, a crop specialist with University of Maine Cooperative Extension, spoke with [WAGM](#) in Presque Isle about how a lack of snow could hurt crop production. “We need the snow pack to load the soil with water and the groundwater profile,” he said.

92 Moose notes Composite Center’s Guinness World Records

12 Feb 2021

[92 Moose](#) (WMME) included Guinness World Records earned by the University of Maine Advanced Structures and Composites Center in its list of world records achieved in Maine. The center earned three records for the world’s largest prototype polymer 3D printer, largest solid 3D-printed object, and largest 3D-printed boat in 2019.

Schild discusses moulins, holes in Greenland ice sheet, with Tampa Bay Times

12 Feb 2021

University of Maine physical glaciologist Kristin Schild spoke with the [Tampa Bay Times](#) about moulins, “portal(s) for meltwater” in the Greenland ice sheet. The article discussed research from University of South Florida professor Jason Gulley into moulins and how they affect rising sea levels resulting from climate change. Schild, an assistant research professor with the School of Earth and Climate Sciences and Climate Change Institute, said these ice holes are “so much more complicated,” than scientists previously expected.

WABI reports on State of the University Address

12 Feb 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) reported on the 2021 State of the University Address for the University of Maine and University of Maine at Machias. “I am humbled by what we have accomplished this year, and at the same time, I am more hopeful than ever about what the future holds for the University of Maine and the University of Maine at Machias,” said President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. Watch the address on [Youtube](#).

Curran, Reagan contribute to new book on tolerance and peace

16 Feb 2021

Hugh Curran, Peace and Reconciliation Studies Program, and Timothy Reagan, College of Education and Human Development, each contributed chapters — Tolerance and Nonviolent Practices; and Peace, Conflict, and War: The Role of Language and Languages, respectively — in a recently published online access book, "[Paths to a Culture of Tolerance and Peace](#)."

Maine's shellfish fisheries the focus of three webinars and radio programs

16 Feb 2021

Shellfish Focus Day is typically held the first day of the annual Maine Fishermen's Forum. The event is a rare opportunity for shellfish harvesters, shellfish wardens, municipal officials, nonprofit groups, researchers and others to meet and talk about issues facing the shellfish industry and how to conduct applied shellfish research and other projects to strengthen the fishery. After the cancellation of the in-person forum, a diverse group of volunteers have put together three webinars and radio programs that will focus on important topics in Maine's shellfish industry, including shellfish conservation projects, the value of multiple forms of knowledge about intertidal fisheries, and opportunities and issues in shellfish markets and supply chains. The first program, "[Shellfish harvesting for the future: A conversation featuring stories and lessons learned in town shellfish conservation projects](#)," will be offered at 4 p.m. Feb. 22 via Zoom. Preregistration is not necessary. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, email bridie.mcgreavy@maine.edu. A recording of this event will be broadcast 4 p.m. Feb. 26 on WERU's Coastal Conversations. The next two programs will be in March and April. The Feb. 22 event will feature a conversation among shellfish harvesters, shellfish wardens, municipal officials, marine resource committee members and organizations that collaborate with towns on their efforts to conserve and restore wild shellfish populations and intertidal mudflats. Topics will focus on efforts to grow clam seed, using equipment like upwellers and lobster pounds, connections to water quality issues, and how people are working together to restore shellfish and mudflats. Through informal conversation and stories, people working on shellfish restoration projects from across the coast will tell stories and share information about what they have learned along the way. The panelists for this first event are all working on projects to grow shellfish and restore intertidal mudflats in southern and Down East Maine, including David Wilson, chair, Marine Resources Committee, Harpswell; Scott Moody Jr., vice chair, Marine Resources Committee, Harpswell; Dan Devereaux, coastal resource manager, Brunswick; Mike Pinkham, shellfish warden, Gouldsboro; Sarah Hooper, education specialist, Schoodic Institute; and Bill Zoellick, education research director emeritus, Schoodic Institute. Hosts will be Bridie McCreavy, University of Maine Department of Communication and Journalism and the Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions, and Natalie Springuel, Maine Sea Grant.

Mayewski, Miller to join 'Maine Calling' programs about Arctic geopolitics, ethics of vaccination

16 Feb 2021

Paul Mayewski, director of the University of Maine Climate Change Institute, is participating in a "[Maine Calling](#)" discussion about how the "dramatic, irreversible changes" in the Arctic will influence geopolitics at 11 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16. Other participants in the upcoming discussion include Frances Ulmer, former chair of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission and senior fellow with the Harvard University Kennedy School; Charles Norchi, a professor with the Maine School of Law and director of the Center for Oceans and Coastal Law; and Holly Parker, director of UNE NORTH: The Institute for North Atlantic Studies. On Wednesday, Feb. 17, Jessica Miller, professor of philosophy at UMaine, will appear on "Maine Calling" at 11 a.m. to discuss the ethics of vaccinations with Dr. James Jarvis, Medical Director of Northern Light Health's Covid-19 Incident Command. This episode can also be heard again at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

WVH reports COVID-19 active cases trending downward across UMS

16 Feb 2021

[WVH](#) (Channel 7) reported that numbers of active COVID-19 cases in the University of Maine System are trending downward, which may indicate that the enhanced asymptomatic testing regime is working.

Bangor Daily advances outdoor adventure club for youth

16 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted a University of Maine Cooperative Extension club for youth in grades 3–8 who enjoy the outdoors. The "Outdoor Adventure 4-H SPIN Club" will meet Saturday mornings beginning Feb. 27. More information about the club is [online](#).

Calder talks with BDN about guidelines for selling homemade food

16 Feb 2021

Beth Calder, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension associate professor and food science specialist, talked with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about regulatory guidelines for the sale of homemade foods directly to consumers. According to Calder, regulations differ based on the product type, but would-be entrepreneurs should not be discouraged by licensing requirements. "If there's a will, there's a way," Calder said.

Public advances Mayewski appearance on Maine Calling, at Camden Conference

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[Public](#) promoted an appearance by Paul Mayewski, director of the University of Maine Climate Change Institute, on Maine Calling at 11 a.m. Feb. 16. During the broadcast, Mayewski will preview presentations and panel discussions slated for Feb. 20 and 21 at the [Camden Conference](#). The theme for this year's Camden Conference is "The Geopolitics of the Arctic: A Region in Peril."

WABI, BDN cite Ferrini-Mundy in report on placement of last beam at new engineering center

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[WABI](#) talked with University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy in covering the placement of the final beam in the Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center. Ferrini-Mundy noted that the new engineering center will help UMaine to meet the state's economic and workforce demands. The beam, which was hoisted into place with a virtual ceremony on Friday, has a time capsule and a Crosby clip attached. The clip, which is still used today in steel construction, was invented and patented by 1876 mechanical engineering graduate Oliver Crosby. The [Bangor Daily News](#) and [The Piscataquis Observer](#) also reported on the placement of the last beam.

UMaine pursues transformative \$110M athletic facilities plan

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The University of Maine has unveiled its transformative \$110 million athletic facilities master plan. The initiative honors Harold Alfond's legacy of support for Maine education and athletics by providing modern facilities for all 17 varsity programs at Maine's only Division I athletic program, and improving the overall UMaine student experience. In October, the Harold Alfond Foundation announced [an historic \\$500 million investment](#) in Maine and its people. The University of Maine System is to receive \$240 million over 10–12 years, including \$90 million in support for UMaine's \$110 million Athletics Facilities Master Plan. Read more [online](#). Contact: Dan Demeritt, dan.demeritt@maine.edu

UMaine to host virtual Careers in Outdoor Recreation events

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The University of Maine will host two events that will provide students opportunities to network with people who work in outdoor recreation and learn more about jobs in the state's growing outdoor industries Feb. 22–23. The "Careers in Outdoor Recreation" events are sponsored by the Career Center and UMaine's Outdoor Leadership program, a part of the College of Education and Human Development's School of Kinesiology, Physical Education and Athletic Training. Students can participate in two Zoom sessions on Monday, Feb. 22, to connect with representatives from Maine summer camps and guide companies. The summer camp chat is scheduled for 5 p.m.; the chat with guide companies begins at 6 p.m. Participants should register [online](#) to receive the Zoom link. On Feb. 23, students can attend the virtual outdoor recreation job fair, where they can talk with potential employers about job opportunities. Register for the job fair online using [Career Link](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Lauren Jacobs, lauren.jacobs@maine.edu.

Black Bear XC ski and snowshoe races scheduled for Feb. 21

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Cross country skiers and snowshoers are invited to hit the trails Sunday, Feb. 21 for the annual Black Bear XC ski and snowshoe races on the University of Maine Trails. The event is sponsored by UMaine Campus Recreation, the Maine Bound Adventure Center and the College of Education and Human Development's Outdoor Leadership program, part of the School of Kinesiology, Physical Education and Athletic Training. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the race is limited to 45 participants, and is open only to UMaine students, faculty and staff. Racers can participate in a 5K classic ski at 1 p.m., a 5K or 10K skate ski at 1:15 p.m., or a 2K snowshoe contest at 2:30 p.m. Preregistration is required; a link is available on the UMaine Outdoor Leadership social media pages. The races are free with a suggested \$10 donation to benefit the Black Bear Exchange. Equipment is available at no charge. A variety of participation prizes will be awarded. The event is presented with generous support from the Alton '38 and Adelaide Hamm Campus Activity Fund. In case of inclement weather, the races will take place on Feb. 28. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Lauren Jacobs, lauren.jacobs@maine.edu.

BDN talks with Bolton, Calder about licensing for small food businesses

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University of Maine Cooperative Extension associate professors Jason Bolton and Beth Calder spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about Maine's licensing process for homemade food producers.

Frankland cited in Centralmaine.com report about pandemic-induced anxiety in schoolchildren

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Maria Frankland, a University of Maine lecturer of educational leadership, talked with the [Kennebec Journal](#) about the impact of anxiety and stress on children who have had their school routines and relationships disrupted by the pandemic.

Ferrini-Mundy, Diamond honor Bernard Lown in Portland Press Herald story

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The [Portland Press Herald](#) spoke with University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and University of Maine Alumni Association CEO John Diamond for a report about the death of UMaine graduate and Nobel laureate Dr. Bernard Lown. "Dr. Lown was a tremendous humanitarian whose vision, innovation and passion made this world a better place and inspired us all," Ferrini-Mundy said. "Without question, Dr. Lown was one of the most influential UMaine alumni of all time," Diamond said. "Each year we honor an individual or couple with our [Dr. Bernard Lown Humanitarian Award](#), which celebrates those who, like Dr. Lown himself, 'actively engage in saving lives, relieving suffering, and promoting human dignity.' Those qualities define Dr. Lown and his legacy," Diamond said. The [Associated Press](#), the [Boston Globe](#), the [New York Times](#), the [Washington Post](#), [WSB](#) (Channel 2 in Atlanta), the [Bangor Daily News](#), [News Center Maine](#), [WMTW](#) (Channel 8 in Portland), [Maine Public](#) and the [Sun Journal](#) also reported on Lown's death.

Pendse named 2021 Distinguished Maine Professor

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[caption id="attachment_82377" align="alignright" width="223"] Hemant Pendse[/caption] Hemant Pendse, an internationally recognized leader in forest bioproducts research, has been named the University of Maine 2021 Distinguished Maine Professor. The annual Distinguished Maine Professor Award honors a UMaine professor who exemplifies the highest qualities of teaching, research and public service. It is sponsored by the University of Maine Alumni Association and its classes of 1942 and 2002. Pendse was nominated for the award by College of Engineering Dean Dana Humphrey. The selection process is conducted by a 17-person committee of alumni, current and retired faculty, and a representative of the student body. Each nominee is evaluated on three criteria related to UMaine's land-grant mission: teaching performance based on peer and student evaluations; the quality and productivity of the nominee's research, scholarship, and creative activities; and the nominee's contributions of professional expertise in a volunteer capacity in support of university and public causes, services, and initiatives. The UMaine Alumni Association will honor Pendse at the annual Alumni Achievement Awards and Recognition Ceremony on Thursday, April 29. Due to COVID-19 precautions, this year's event will be held online and streamed on YouTube. Since joining the university in 1979, the professor of chemical engineering and chair of the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering has spearheaded innovative research that has earned two patents, produced 82 publications, given more than 200 technical papers and garnered \$17 million in external funding. He also has yielded new economic opportunities for Maine through his work on forest bioproducts. Students know Pendse as an educator who challenges them to think critically, provides clear and concise lessons, is always willing to help, and dedicates himself to their success. "Dr. Pendse is a gifted leader who provides tremendous service to the university and industry," wrote UMaine College of Engineering Dean Dana Humphrey in his nomination. "He is able to visualize the potential of the organizations and then work collaboratively with students, faculty, staff, administration and outside constituencies to achieve this vision." Pendse founded the Forest Bioproducts Research Institute in 2010, and serves as its director. FBRI aims to identify the logistic, scientific, economic and policy factors that would allow forest-based products to be made at a commercial scale and inspire the creation of a biorefinery in Maine. Under Pendse's leadership, FBRI built the nation's first pilot-scale plant for manufacturing nano-fibrillated cellulose, or nanocellulose. The institute earned \$48 million for various projects, \$17 million of which is attributable to Pendse's efforts. FBRI developed and secured patents for its breakthrough thermal deoxygenation process (TDO) for making biofuels for jets and marine engines, and for its process to create advanced materials like nanocellulose. Pendse was instrumental in scale up to continuous pilot operations that benefit researchers and private business alike. Jake Ward, vice president of innovation and economic development at UMaine, wrote in his letter of recommendation that Pendse's ability to not only lead, but collaborate with fellow faculty members and external partners from other academic institutions, communities and the private sector brought FBRI and the benefits it yields to fruition. His efforts have bolstered the university's capacity for serving the public and fostering economic growth. "The success of this project has not only resulted in stronger research programs and more grant funding at UMaine, but true economic development success with the partnership with Old Town and a variety of owners of the mill," Ward wrote. The UMaine chemical engineer's research interests involve pulp and paper manufacturing, colloid systems, particulate and multiphase processes and sensor development. During his studies, he has developed forest biorefinery pilot-scale industrial process systems, an ultrasonic slurry characterization system, a laboratory instrument for particle surface charge characterization in concentrated colloids and an online particle size distribution sensor system for concentrated slurries. He also has developed multiple theories and methodologies to assist in particulate systems characterization and processing. "He is an inspiring scholar whose research has significantly impacted Maine industries, university faculty members and Maine research infrastructure," wrote colleagues Clayton Wheeler, chemical engineering professor and FBRI associate director, Jonathan Rubin, economics professor and director of the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, and Jeffrey Benjamin, former associate professor of forestry, in their joint recommendation letter. Pendse's numerous awards include the 2009 College of Engineering Ashley Campbell Award, 2012 Genco Award from the University of Maine Pulp and Paper Foundation, and the 2012 UMaine Presidential Research and Creative Achievement. Pendse's record of public service includes advising the Municipal Review Committee, a group of 115 Maine cities and towns united to tackle solid municipal waste problems; and serving on the Economic Development Assessment Team, Maine Innovation Economy Advisory Board, the Governor's Wood-to-Energy Taskforce and more. He and the FBRI have also aided with the Forest Opportunity Roadmap/Maine (FOR/Maine), a public-private partnership seeking new markets for wood products and bolstering technological innovation to support new commercial uses for wood. He has also served on the Corporate Advisory Council for Nelson Industries, Stoughton, Wisconsin, and the Transport & Energy Processes Division of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) in various capacities. "Perhaps his greatest value in this respect is his willingness and ability to serve these communities as an unbiased technical expert, expertise many communities lack and could not afford, when vetting opportunities," Ward wrote in his recommendation letter. "He is often called upon by Maine's federal delegation to play this role and as a technical advisor on state-wide/nation-wide initiatives." Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

Media preview UMaine athletic facility upgrades

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The [Bangor Daily News](#), [News Center Maine](#) and [WABI](#) (Channel 5) previewed planned upgrades to the athletic facilities at the University of Maine, including improvements to the Harold Alfond Sports Stadium and a new soccer field. The upgrades will be completed with a \$90 million gift from the Harold Alfond Foundation, part of the Foundation's \$240 million investment in the University of Maine System. Ferrini-Mundy and Ken Ralph, UMaine athletic

director, also discussed the Alfond Foundation gift and the impact on UMaine's athletics programs on a [Voice of Maine](#) broadcast. The athletic facilities master plan was shared at a virtual event at 9 a.m. Feb.17 on [goblackbears.com](#).

Mayewski appears on Maine Calling to preview Camden Conference

17 Feb 2021

Paul Mayewski, University of Maine professor and director of the Climate Change Institute, appeared on "[Maine Calling](#)" to discuss the geopolitical implications of climate change occurring in isolated areas such as the Arctic.

UMaine Extension offers farmers control options for rodents, wildlife Feb. 23

18 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will host a webinar about methods for control of rodents and wildlife on the farm 1–3 p.m. Feb. 23. "[Rats and Other Vermin Control on the Farm](#)" includes guidance for keeping rodents out of barns and grain storage areas, controlling raccoons, foxes and weasels in hen houses and other livestock pens, and reducing predation of pastured animals. Presenters are Kathy Murray, a Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry IPM entomologist; and wildlife biologist Adam Vashon from USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services. "Learning how to reduce wildlife losses on the farm to feed, grain and livestock mortalities with recommended practices will help improve farm profitability," says Donna Coffin, a UMaine Extension professor. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to receive a link to the live program or recording. Two hours of pesticide recertification credits have been requested for the program. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Anette Moulton, 207.564.3301; anette.moulton@maine.edu.

UMaine, UNH Extensions offer webinar on edible native plants Feb. 24

18 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Extension will offer a webinar for home gardeners about edible native plants in the landscape from 6–7 p.m. Feb. 24. "[Nibbling on Natives in Your Backyard and Beyond](#)" identifies more than two dozen species of native edible wild plants suitable for adding to backyard landscapes and supporting native pollinators. Russ Cohen, expert forager and author of "Wild Plants I Have Known ... and Eaten," will lead the workshop. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or receive a link to the recording. This is the fourth in a six-part [winter gardening webinar series](#) offered every other Wednesday through March for Maine and New Hampshire gardeners. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Pamela Hargest, 207.781.6099; pamela.hargest@maine.edu.

Miller joins Maine Calling panel to discuss the ethics of vaccination development, delivery

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Jessica Miller, University of Maine professor of philosophy, joined a "[Maine Calling](#)" discussion of how societal values are reflected in vaccine development and distribution.

Multiple media outlets report on new UMaine athletic facilities, excitement among coaches

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The [Associated Press](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), [News Center Maine](#), the [Portland Press Herald](#), the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#), [The Maine Edge](#), [Maine Public](#), [WMTW](#) (Channel 8 in Portland), [WVU](#) (Channel 7), [WABI](#) (Channel 5), [WGME](#) (Channel 13 in Portland) [Q106.5 FM](#) and [92.9 FM](#) The Ticket reported that the University of Maine athletics facilities master plan announced Wednesday includes a new basketball building, three new lighted artificial turf fields and two new domed facilities. The BDN shared [renderings](#) of the facilities, and [WABI](#) captured the excitement for the plan from the UMaine Athletics community. UMaine Director of Athletics Ken Ralph elaborated on the projects in interviews with [WABI](#), [92.9 FM](#) and 96.3 FM The Big JAB in Portland. Ralph and University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy also spoke with [WVOM](#) about the initiative. Basketball coaches Richard Barron and Amy Vachon spoke with the [BDN](#) following the announcement of plans to build a new 3,000 seat basketball facility on campus. Women's soccer coach Scott Atherley, softball coach Mike Coutts, baseball coach Nick Derba and field hockey coach Josette Babineau also talked with the [BDN](#), noting that the upgrades are a recruiting tool and an indication of UMaine's commitment to athletics. Atherley, Vachon and Dennis "Red" Gendron, head men's ice hockey coach, spoke with [WABI](#) about their excitement for the plans as well. The upgrades will be made with a \$90 million gift from the Harold Alfond Foundation and \$20 million in privately raised funds. Learn more by watching a [recording](#) of the master plan press conference. [Construction Equipment Guide](#) shared the Penobscot Bay Pilot story.

Pershing cited in Union Leader report of species prediction for Gulf of Maine

18 Feb 2021

A report by Andrew Pershing, a University of Maine associate professor with the Climate Change Institute, was cited in a [New Hampshire Union Leader](#) story about researchers using historical fish diet data to predict which species will inhabit the Gulf of Maine in the future.

BDN reports concert recorded at Collins Center is 'intriguing visually'

18 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that a small subset of Bangor Symphony Orchestra (BSO) musicians were recorded playing to empty seats at the University of Maine Collins Center for the Arts. BSO plans to record four additional digital concerts, which will be available for online viewing for \$10.

Media advance agriculture update Feb. 24

18 Feb 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#), [The Irregular](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) advanced a University of Maine Cooperative Extension educational update webinar for the potato industry at 7 p.m. Feb. 24. More information is [online](#).

UMaine receives patent for composite laminates bound with cellulose nanofibers

18 Feb 2021

The University of Maine has been issued a patent for a process to create strong composite laminates that are bound with cellulose nanofibrils (CNF). This technology, called Cellubound™, is part of UMaine's widening patent [portfolio](#) of strong, environmentally friendly products bound with CNF. The process developed by UMaine researchers involves soaking sheets of paper in a CNF slurry, then layering the soaked sheets together and using a heated press to remove the water and bond the layers. The resulting product, made entirely of paper and uniquely impregnated with CNF, is strong, stiff and board-like, with the potential to replace plastics in a wide range of applications. It is also biodegradable, compostable, requires relatively little energy to produce, and the paper used for layering could be recycled from the waste stream. The UMaine inventors are associate professor of renewable nanomaterials Mehdi Tajvidi and professor of chemical and biomedical engineering Doug Bousfield. The funding that led to this invention came from the USDA Agricultural Research Service. Both researchers are working to [develop related technology](#) as part of P3Nano, a public-private partnership founded by the U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities and the U.S. Forest Service. Tajvidi and Bousfield say they have only begun to explore the possibilities for products that could be made using the technique, which they have so far only tested on a small scale. The layering aspect allows for control over the thickness of the finished product, and cross-directional folding or rolling of the layers also expands the available options. When the product is wet, it can be pressed into a mold, creating a seamless shape after drying. "There is a lot of flexibility in what you could make," says Tajvidi. "One of the first things we thought of was interior door panels for the automotive industry, but you could use it in packaging, for hard containers, or even a flower pot that you could actually plant in the ground." A major advantage is the laminate's strength, which has been shown to meet or exceed that of many conventional plastic products. The researchers say this strength is due to fully immersing the paper into the CNF slurry before stacking the layers. "The paper is porous and the CNF particles are small, so they can get into the pores," says Bousfield. "Then, once you press them, the same bonding that happens on the surface happens in the core of every single layer, too. Every single layer is actually bonded to the next one and also reinforced internally, and that's why it makes the total thing stronger. When you coat CNF onto paper and laminate it, you don't get quite that strength." By using CNF slurry as the binder, energy-intensive initial drying steps to extract the fibers are not required. The drying process to cure the product involves a relatively short cycle. "We basically preserve the nanoscale dimensions of nanocellulose in the product," Tajvidi says. "If you look at our product under a microscope, you see the individual nanoparticles there. And, because we skip the initial drying process, it's much more economically feasible than doing anything else with nanocellulose that requires prior drying." UMaine's Process Development Center (PDC), a commercial-scale pilot plant on campus devoted to pulp and paper research and development, is the only publicly accessible facility in the United States that can manufacture CNF at a rate of one ton per day. Planned equipment [upgrades](#) will soon boost nanocellulose production. The center supplies CNF and cellulose nanocrystals (CNC) to academic, public and private research groups interested in evaluating and developing applications for these materials, and UMaine is a global leader in related research, contributing to its reputation as the heart of [Nanocellulose Valley](#). The university also is a partner in FOR/Maine, a cross-sector collaboration between industry, communities, government, education, and nonprofits that seeks to innovate and grow Maine's forest economy. The University of Maine is actively seeking a development partner for the technology. The patent number is [U.S. 10,875,284](#). Contact: Ashley Forbes, ashley.forbes@maine.edu

University of Maine Center on Aging awarded funding to support 119 AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP volunteers

18 Feb 2021

The University of Maine Center on Aging has received an AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP grant to support 119 volunteers serving in Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington counties, where the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) program has provided service opportunities for people ages 55 and older since 2003. The AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP program was awarded \$99,202 for the first year of a six-year funding cycle. Every six years, RSVP programs undergo a competitive grant process. This new award permits the UMaine Center on Aging to continue to oversee RSVP under the leadership of its longtime director Paula Burnett. "Winning the 2021 AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Competition Award was terrific news," says Center on Aging director Lenard Kaye. "It underscores the University of Maine Center on Aging's long-term commitment to promoting the state's health and well-being by creating a critical vehicle through which older Mainers can share their wisdom and expertise through civic engagement in their local communities." With this funding, the Center on Aging RSVP program will leverage the skills and experience of seniors in the four-county service area to meet community needs. Service by the AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers often includes participation in efforts to fight food insecurity, improve literacy skills with youngsters at child care centers and Head Starts, assisting at adult day service programs and leading senior wellness activities. To join RSVP and be matched with a volunteer position, contact Paula Burnett, RSVP director, 207.262.7926, or Carrie Limeburner, program coordinator, 207.262.7924 to complete the registration and interview and start serving your community. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers stay healthy and active through service, improving their own lives as they improve the lives of others. A growing body of research affirms the numerous mental and physical health benefits of volunteerism, including lower mortality rates, decreased rates of depression, and increased strength and energy. Today, AmeriCorps Seniors engages approximately 195,000 older Americans in service at 29,800 locations across the United States and territories through its Foster Grandparents Program, Senior Companions Program, and RSVP. Established in 1971, RSVP engages Americans age 55 and older in service, responding to our nation's most pressing challenges. The UMaine Center on Aging RSVP is one of five RSVPs in the state, with over 30 partnering agencies for volunteer placements in its service area. Contact: Paula Burnett, paula.burnett@maine.edu

Mitchell Center hosts talk about promoting equity through citizen science

19 Feb 2021

The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine will host a talk about how citizen science can help promote equity in the science and technology fields 3–4 p.m. on Monday, March 1. In this talk, Amara Ifeji will speak to her lived experiences as a BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and people of color) individual, and the marginalization she has faced in nurturing a connection to place and environment. She will talk about how her passion for water justice led her to not only foster this connection herself, but to also serve as a conduit for other BIPOC and female-identifying students. Ifeji is an undergraduate at Northeastern University and serves as grassroots development coordinator with the Maine Environmental Education Association

(MEEA). She graduated from Bangor High School and has conducted research on water pollution and drinking water issues. She joined the Maine Environmental Changemakers Network, a program of the MEEA, when she was 16 years old. She was recently named a National Geographic Young Explorer, a highly competitive award given to two dozen young people from around the world. The talk is free and available via Zoom; registration is required. To register and receive connection information, please visit the [event webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ruth Hallsworth, 207.581.3196; hallsworth@maine.edu.

UMaine Extension 4-H outdoor adventure club starts Feb. 27

19 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension Penobscot County 4-H is offering a short-term special-interest club for youth in grades 3–8 who enjoy the outdoors. The club starts Feb. 27 and continues meeting on various Saturday mornings through late spring. The “Outdoor Adventure 4-H SPIN Club” brings together youth and experienced outdoor leaders to explore the natural world through hiking, observation and discussion. Parents or guardians may attend if group size does not exceed Maine CDC guidelines. Masks will be required. The club is \$1 to join and youth must enroll in 4-H to participate; registration is required. Register and find additional details about the club on the [UMaine Extension Penobscot County 4-H webpage](#). For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Emily Mott, 207.942.7396; emily.j.mott@maine.edu.

Media advance webinar about promoting equity through citizen science

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The [Bangor Daily News](#), [The Irregular](#), [The Franklin Journal](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) advanced a webinar about promoting equity through citizen science hosted by the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions. Register for the webinar [online](#).

WAGM interviews Wicklund in preview for landscaping with native edible plants webinar

19 Feb 2021

[WAGM](#) in Presque Isle interviewed Marcy Wicklund, home horticulture coordinator for University of Maine Cooperative Extension, in a preview for a webinar about how to landscape with edible native plants. “It’s finding what’s already there. And you can add one or two plants to supplement your landscape,” Wicklund said. The webinar, which will be co-hosted by UMaine Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, will be held at 6 p.m. Feb. 24. Register for the event [online](#).

Lilley speaks with BDN about possibility for birch sap market in Maine

19 Feb 2021

Jason Lilley, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension sustainable agriculture professional, spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about the possibility of a birch sap market forming in Maine. “It lines up really well with the maple industry in that you need all of the same equipment to make birch syrup as you need to make maple syrup,” Lilley said. “The season for birch sap flow starts right as maple sap flow is stopping so producers can scrub down their equipment and almost the next week go right into birch syrup production.”

The Counter interviews Stoll about direct marketing fish distribution

19 Feb 2021

[The Counter](#) interviewed Joshua Stoll, a University of Maine assistant professor of marine policy, about the direct-to-consumer model for selling fish in a story about how the COVID-19 pandemic could change the U.S. fish industry. “If we’re interested in learning from this pandemic and responding to it in the seafood sector, we should really think seriously about the physical and soft infrastructure that we need in place that not only doesn’t get in the way of, but enables this local and regional distribution,” said Stoll, who co-founded the [Local Catch Network](#).

Media advance drug overdose report Sorg compiled

19 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [News Center Maine](#) advanced a report describing the number of overdoses in January that was compiled by Marcella Sorg, a University of Maine forensic anthropologist who also serves Maine’s Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. The report was issued by both the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and Office of the Attorney General.

Climate Reanalyzer cited in AP polar vortex story

19 Feb 2021

The [Associated Press](#) cited the University of Maine Climate Reanalyzer in a story titled “EXPLAINER: Topsy-turvy weather comes from polar vortex.” The reanalyzer, according to the story, shows that the “globe as a whole is about the same temperature as the average was from 1979 to 2000 for this time of year,” which is still “warmer than the 20th century average.” [ABC News](#), [Voice of America](#), [Yahoo! News](#), [KTAR News](#), [MyNorthwest](#), the [Independent Tribune](#), [WKBT-TV](#), [KXLY.com](#), the [Mooresville Tribune](#), the [Harrison Daily Times](#) and the [Arkansas Democrat-Gazette](#) shared the AP article.

Leahy speaks with NYT about wood banks

19 Feb 2021

Jessica Leahy, a University of Maine professor of human dimensions of natural resources, spoke with the [New York Times](#) for an article about wood banks. Wood banks, like food banks, offer free wood for home heating to people in need. “Lots of people are on the edge of poverty and cannot afford unexpected events: a tree falls on your house or the power is out and your pipes freeze,” Leahy said. “Heating their homes becomes one of those things that is especially hard to cover.” Leahy and a former student, Sabrina Vivian, authored a [guide](#) about how to start and operate a wood bank in 2015. The publication inspired the opening of a wood bank in Castine. There has been some concern about carbon emissions released from burning wood contributing to climate change. Leahy said in an ideal world, people would have access to modern stoves that burn little emissions, great insulation, working smoke alarms and non-fossil fuel options for heating. “But really, we need smart portfolios that make sense for the areas that exist. For rural areas, wood banks make sense,” she said. “How do we keep people from freezing tonight?”

DiSpirito named finalist for prestigious Truman Scholarship

22 Feb 2021

Dominique DiSpirito, a University of Maine junior dedicated to strengthening communities through environmental policy, is a finalist for a 2021 Harry S. Truman Scholarship. The [Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation](#) awards its prestigious, merit-based scholarships to juniors pursuing public service careers. Recipients can receive up to \$30,000 for graduate or professional school, and earn access to “leadership development activities” and “special opportunities for internships and employment with the federal government,” according to the foundation. Finalists like DiSpirito, a political science major and Honors College student from Woonsocket, Rhode Island, are selected based on their record of community service and government involvement, leadership experience and academic, writing and analytical abilities. The foundation selected 193 finalists from 129 institutions out of the 845 applicants from 328 institutions this year, a record number. According to its website, between 60 and 65 scholarship recipients are expected to be selected. DiSpirito, a first-generation college student, will be interviewed by one of the foundation’s regional review panels on March 31. The Truman Scholars will be named April 14, according to the organization. “I am honored to represent the communities that have invested their support and resources in preparing the next generation to make a difference, and I look forward to continuing to build resilience through community-based environmental initiatives,” DiSpirito says. Food insecurity, natural resource mismanagement and pollution plague many American communities and hurt their resilience. DiSpirito is pursuing a career that would allow her to tackle these plights through locally-supported environmental programs, a goal she has worked towards since her first semester. The UMaine junior has volunteered for the Maine Day Meal Packout since fall 2018. During the 2019 and 2020 events, she served as the food bank liaison, ensuring they receive the about 70,000 donated meals donated each year. When the COVID-19 pandemic first uprooted daily life last year, DiSpirito and a few volunteers connected with partner food banks and local service organizations through email and virtual calls to ensure people in need could still receive meals. They were able to distribute more than 73,000 meals to 16 food security programs statewide in 2020. “At the end of the project, my community had become more resilient in the midst of the crisis of the century,” DiSpirito wrote in her scholarship application letter. “Our success taught me that any challenge can be overcome with resolve, creativity, and resourcefulness.” The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions recruited DiSpirito as a food waste solutions intern in October. The UMaine junior has helped launch two of the center’s six consolidated food waste collection pilot projects, which, according to her, “has made me understand that effective solutions require an in-depth understanding of the problem and its sociopolitical context.” In addition to combating food insecurity, DiSpirito’s undergraduate experience has also included aiding Kate Ruskin, a lecturer of ecology and environmental sciences, as a student research assistant, founding and managing the campus Interfaith Group, participating in the First Generation Student Steering Committee, through which she helped plan First Generation Week in 2019 and assisted with other programs; and co-hosting and co-organizing the annual International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day in 2019 and 2020. She has also devoted her time to advancing the Honors College in various ways. The UMaine junior serves as president of the Honors College Student Advisory Board, creating and managing its organizational budget, conducting weekly general and executive meetings and proposing new programs. She also assists the college as an ambassador and is a member of the Honors Council. “Dominique is the student every educator hopes for — very bright, engaged, hardworking, intellectually curious, compassionate, considerate and truly motivated by a desire to make a real difference in the lives of others,” wrote Honors College associate dean Melissa Ladenheim in her recommendation letter. DiSpirito’s previously received the 2020 Maine Policy Scholars Fellowship, a Center for Undergraduate Research Fellowship, a Servant Heart Scholarship and two Mark and Katherine Zeitlin Haskell scholarships. Earning a Truman Scholarship would help DiSpirito pay to attend Yale Law School and pursue a J.D. of Public Interest Law and a Master of Environmental Management. She would be the sixth recipient from UMaine since 1980, according to the foundation website. “Dominique’s passion for and commitment to public service, combined with her limitless leadership potential, make her an excellent candidate for the Truman Scholarship,” says Mark Brewer, a professor of political science and UMaine faculty representative with the foundation. Congress created the foundation, a living memorial to President Truman and presidential monument to public service, in 1975. The Truman Scholarship serves as the premier graduate fellowship in the U.S. for future leaders in public service. Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

BDN highlights AmeriCorps grant to Center on Aging

22 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) shared a University of Maine news release about an AmeriCorps Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) grant that will be used to support volunteers age 55 and older in Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington counties. The Center on Aging will continue to administer the RSVP program, which leverages seniors’ experience to address community needs.

Media advance ornamental landscape design workshop

22 Feb 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#), [The Irregular](#), the [Sun Journal](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#), the [Bangor Daily News](#), [The Ellsworth American](#), [Centralmaine.com](#) and [92 Moose](#) (WMME in Augusta) advanced a University of Maine Cooperative Extension webinar, “Ornamental Garden Design,” which will be held 6–7 p.m. March 10. More information about the event, which is co-sponsored by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension, is [online](#). [WMME 92.3](#) shared the Centralmaine.com story.

Press Herald, BDN promote Center on Aging photo contest

22 Feb 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted a photo contest, “Focus on Real Aging in Maine,” sponsored by the Maine Gerontological

Society at the University of Maine Center on Aging. More information about the contest is available [online](#).

Ralph discusses plans for a 300-meter track with Press Herald

22 Feb 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) spoke with Ken Ralph, University of Maine athletic director, about the inclusion of a 300-meter track in UMaine's athletic facilities master plan. Significant upgrades to campus athletic facilities will be made with a \$90 million gift from the Alford Foundation and \$20 million in privately raised funds. According to Ralph, a 300-meter indoor track, which will be the only one in the Northeast and one of just a few across the nation, will accommodate practices and meets in poor weather and community use. "It will take our program in a positive direction," Ralph said.

Tajvidi speaks with WVII about laminated nanomaterials patent

22 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) spoke with Mehdi Tajvidi, a University of Maine associate professor, about a new patented process for impregnating paper with nanoparticles to produce laminate materials. According to Tajvidi, the end result is a laminate that takes little energy to produce and has wide application.

Maine Monitor cites Fernandez, Hunter in report about tax breaks for wood pellet industry

22 Feb 2021

The [Maine Monitor](#) reported that University of Maine professors Ivan Fernandez and Malcolm Hunter criticized federal tax credits that encourage the use of wood as an alternative home heating fuel. Hunter and more than 500 academic colleagues co-signed a letter noting that cutting trees to be burned for home heating undermines carbon sequestration. Fernandez, who did not sign the letter, supports the group's stance, noting that expanding the wood burning industry makes it more difficult to reduce greenhouse gases in the near-term unless other carbon emission sources are cut significantly.

BDN reports Pendse is 2021 Distinguished Maine Professor

22 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) shared a University of Maine announcement that Hemant Pendse has been named the 2021 Distinguished Maine Professor. Pendse, a professor of chemical engineering and chair of the Department of Chemical and Biomedical Engineering, will be honored in a virtual ceremony streamed on YouTube on April 29.

Cassandra Quintal: Professional land surveyor and online graduate student

22 Feb 2021

University of Maine online professional science master's student, Cassandra Quintal, is a Maine-based licensed land surveyor and geographic information systems (GIS) professional. The founder of the Maine Young Surveyors Group and current vice president of the Maine Society of Land Surveyors (MSLS), she is a leader in her field and passionate about her work as a surveying professional. Originally from West Gardiner, Maine, Quintal received her bachelor's degree in business economics and political science from the University of Maine at Farmington in 2007. She began her graduate education at the University of Southern Maine, completing a graduate certificate in applied geographic information in 2013. She expects to earn her professional science master's (PSM) in engineering and business degree from UMaine in 2023. Quintal works full-time at SurveyWorks Inc. in Auburn, Maine. She designs practical mapping solutions for land owners and businesses, combining precision survey techniques with digital mapping resources. "I love surveying large parcels of land," she says. "I want to be out in the woods. That's really where I'm most happy. That's something I get to do here in Maine quite a bit." **Why did you choose UMaine for graduate study?** The University of Maine was a clear choice for me. Being a Maine resident, I wanted to continue my education at an institution within the region I practice. The online course offerings allowed me to continue working full-time and attend classes around my already busy schedule. UMaine is recognized as a leader in geospatial education and I feel lucky to be able to learn from faculty nationally recognized for their expertise. The PSM program made that all possible for me. **How do you balance work, academics and other commitments?** Finding the balance between career and academics requires a true commitment to dedicated time: time to work, time to study, and time to rest. I focus on staying organized and managing expectations of my time. It can be stressful trying to keep it all straight but the pressure pushes me to do my best. I enjoy the challenge. **What advice would you give to others considering a career in land surveying?** To become a successful professional land surveyor, it requires higher education in a broad range of topics. Studying the principles of surveying can get you past the tests, but what sets you apart is how you apply the fundamental concepts to each unique project scenario. Surveying is a hands-on way to understand the past and apply it to the future. My advice to the aspiring survey professional is to take the knowledge you gain in class and apply it within the niche you want to work. Find a mentor to help build the bridge between knowledge and practice. Contact: Lindsey McMorrow, lindsey.h.mcmorrow@maine.edu

Karina Iskandarova: Aspiring global policy maker broadens horizons at UMaine

22 Feb 2021

When Greek television stations and newspapers seek input about international policy matters and life in the U.S. as a student abroad, they often contact Karina Iskandarova. As the graduate student from Thessaloniki, Greece shares her knowledge and experiences with others through news reports and on [Youtube](#), she also broadens her own horizons through the instruction and opportunities offered at the University of Maine. Studying in the U.S. was a dream for Iskandarova, and she realized it when she earned a full scholarship from UMaine. During her time at the university, the master's student of global policy became secretary for the Graduate Student Government, a graduate community coordinator and an instructor for an undergraduate public communication course. "I have grown a lot, and although the beginning was tough, I feel proud that I am here and still working hard to achieve my dreams," Iskandarova says. "Because at the end of the day, it is not only the diploma you gain, but also the new friendships, connections and life experiences." Prior to enrolling at UMaine, Iskandarova graduated from the American College of Thessaloniki in her hometown with a bachelor's degree in political science and international relations. After she earns her master's degree, she plans to intern with Greece's Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York City. We asked

Iskandarova to tell us more about her UMaine experience: **Why did you choose to come to UMaine?** It was 2019 when I graduated as a political scientist from the American College of Thessaloniki, Greece. That year I was applying in different universities across the globe. I was accepted in universities like Essex (U.K.), Curtin (Australia), and more, but UMaine made a difference for three reasons. First, Maine was a place I knew nothing about besides Stephen Kings' incredible movies. Second, the program director offered me a full scholarship. Third, the U.S. was a dream place for me to study. I always dreamed about getting on an airplane and visiting the U.S. Finally, I did it. **How would you describe the academic atmosphere at UMaine?** I would describe the atmosphere in three words: Welcoming, accepting and liberal. Your opinion matters and you are being heard. Our professors are all a great resource in terms of knowledge and experience. I am in daily contact with many people from various departments and job positions and I can honestly say that each one of them — from hall custodians to the president — are super polite and helpful. **Describe any research, internships or scholarly pursuits in which you have participated. How have they prepared you for future opportunities in your chosen field?** All the academic papers, presentations and general research required for my degree has proved to be essential and enriching. Every semester I learn more and more about what I am really studying. Especially, being a non-native speaker, the research done through our coursework has been tremendously useful. **Have you worked closely with a mentor, professor or role model who made your time at UMaine better, and if so, how?** All of my professors at UMaine have been important to me because they give their love in what they are doing. Teaching demands a certain level of charisma and passion. All professors from the School of International Policy and Affairs have both and most SPIA students can verify that. **Describe UMaine in one word.** Warm. **Explain.** The people are all so polite and warm to us — the international students. I love this place. It has been one of the best experiences with its challenges and all. **What difference has UMaine made in your life?** UMaine has opened more doors-expanding my network, enriched my knowledge, made me a stronger woman. Contact: Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

Mitchell Center hosts talk on rapid Arctic change

23 Feb 2021

Orono, Maine — The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine will co-host a talk by Fran Ulmer on why rapid Arctic change matters and how the science community can help from 3–4 p.m. on Monday, March 8. Fran Ulmer is an Arctic Initiative senior fellow at Harvard University's Belfer Center at the Kennedy School of Government. She chaired the U.S. Arctic Research Commission from 2011 to 2020 and served as a special advisor to Secretary of State John Kerry on Arctic science and policy from 2014 to 2017. In June 2010, President Barack Obama appointed her to the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling. She has spent more than 45 years in public service and is a member of both the global board of The Nature Conservancy and the board of the National Parks Conservation Association. This event is part of the Mitchell Center's [Sustainability Talks](#) series. It is co-sponsored by the University of Maine's Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Conservation Biology, the Climate Change Institute and UMaine Arctic. The talk is free and available via Zoom; registration is required. To register and receive connection information, please see the [event webpage](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Ruth Hallsworth, 207.581.3196; hallsworth@maine.edu.

Nine Pillars of Diversity Lecture Series kicks off Feb. 25

23 Feb 2021

The University of Maine President's Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion will kick off the Nine Pillars of Diversity Lecture Series at 6 p.m. Feb. 25 with a virtual presentation, "[A Legacy of Advocacy: A Reflection on the History of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the University of Maine](#)." JoAnn Fritsche, the first director of Equal Opportunity and Women's Development at UMaine, will trace the evolution of equal opportunity initiatives on campus to provide context for understanding and evaluating previous and current equity initiatives. UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy established the President's Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in 2020 to guide institutional efforts to create a culture of inclusive excellence. The 32-member council is charged with identifying barriers and structural impediments to diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI); evaluating strategic planning documents to sustain a focus on DEI; gathering and analyzing data to guide development of relevant DEI initiatives; and suggesting resource allocation and alignment to establish a culture with inclusion at its core. Participants can join the Feb. 25 lecture on [Zoom](#). View the President's Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion list of recommended [action items](#) and find more information about the council [online](#). The event is presented with generous support from the Alton '38 and Adelaide Hamm Campus Activity Fund.

Honors Student Ambassadors' 'It's Personal' campaign to benefit Black Bear Exchange

23 Feb 2021

University of Maine Honors Student Ambassadors Katie Tims and Bailey West are launching the "It's Personal" personal care items donation campaign to benefit the Black Bear Exchange (BBE) on campus. Through the donation drive, Tims, a fourth-year Honors biology major from Cornish, Maine, and West, a fourth-year Honors biochemistry major from Stockton Springs, Maine, hope to increase access to personal care items, decrease stigma around utilizing food pantries and fight food insecurity on the University of Maine campus. Individuals who face food insecurity often struggle to meet other basic needs, and may go without necessities like personal care items, the student leaders say. "Food pantries, including our campus food pantry, are often lacking much-needed resources such as personal care items, because they are unable to prioritize purchasing those items over food products," says Tims. Last fall, the team hosted a "Giving Tuesday" drive that yielded over 500 donated goods for the BBE. They were awarded a \$500 grant in December from the Maine Hunger Dialogue to fund their ongoing work. The "It's Personal" campaign seeks to foster friendly competition between units and organizations campuswide. The competition will be designed in a bracket system, with campus units competing to collect the most personal care items. The campaign runs from March 8 until Maine Day, April 28. The campus group collecting the most donations of personal care products for BBE will receive a trophy. All individuals and fellow Black Bears are encouraged to support their favorite "team" and join in on the friendly competition. For more information or to register a group for the competition, contact Bailey West, bailey.west@maine.edu, or Katie Tims, kathleen.tims@maine.edu, by March 1.

BDN, Daily Bulldog advance new cooking webinars for March

23 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) and the [Daily Bulldog](#) advanced University of Maine Cooperative Extension's two new webinars about cooking with Maine foods from 2–2:45 p.m. March 9 and March 23. Register for them on the program [webpage](#).

Berigan discusses house sparrow decline research with Patriot-News

23 Feb 2021

Liam Berigan, a doctoral student with the University of Maine, spoke to The [Patriot-News](#) about the research into house sparrow population declines he conducted while working at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. “We wanted to find out where and how much house sparrows might be declining here,” said Berigan, lead author of the study. [ScienceDaily](#) and the [Grand Forks Herald](#) also advanced Berigan’s research.

The Journal advances Brewer’s talk about ranked-choice voting

23 Feb 2021

[The Journal](#) advanced a talk from Mark Brewer, a University of Maine professor of political science, about ranked-choice voting hosted by The Robert C. Byrd Center for Congressional History and Education and League of Women Voters of Jefferson County at 7 p.m. March 10.

Media advance compost webinar series

23 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [Daily Bulldog](#), [The Irregular](#), [Morning Ag Clips](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) advanced University of Maine Cooperative Extension’s three-webinar series about compost issues in agriculture and waste management, which it will host from noon–1 p.m. March 11, 23 and 30. Register for the series [online](#).

Boothbay Register advances viewing, discussion of ‘The Long Coast’

23 Feb 2021

The [Boothbay Register](#) promoted a panel discussion with Ian Long, director of the 2020 documentary “The Long Coast,” and Heather Leslie, director of the University of Maine’s Darling Marine Center. The virtual event, which is sponsored by the Darling Center and the Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust, is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 2. Participants will have opportunities to ask the panel questions. [Register](#) and find a link to the film [online](#).

WABI talks with Corey, Fink about autonomous vehicle app for visually impaired

23 Feb 2021

Richard Corey, director of the Virtual Environments and Multimodal Interaction (VEMI) Laboratory at the University of Maine, and Paul Fink, graduate research assistant, spoke with [WABI](#) (Channel 5) about development of AVA, an app to help the visually impaired navigate to autonomous vehicles. VEMI Lab received \$300,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation to continue development.

Press Herald advances virtual Engineering Week Expo

23 Feb 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) promoted the 2021 virtual Engineering Week Expo which is scheduled for 9 a.m.–2 p.m. Feb. 27. The event has been designed by VFairs to simulate a gaming experience with a virtual space that mimics the Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center, which is currently under construction at the University of Maine. More information about the expo is [online](#).

Howard notes climate change action critical to pandemic recovery in BDN column

23 Feb 2021

Michael Howard, a University of Maine professor of philosophy and member of the Scholars Strategy Network, calls for integrating action on climate change with pandemic recovery efforts to avert catastrophe in a [Bangor Daily News](#) op-ed.

UMaine Collins Center for the Arts receives Innovation of the Year Award

24 Feb 2021

The University of Maine has received the Innovation of the Year Award from ticketing firm Paciolan for utilizing its system to streamline the process for COVID-19 testing on campus. At UMaine, the program is typically used for issuing tickets for patrons of the Collins Center for the Arts and Black Bear Athletics. It was reengineered to support UMaine asymptomatic testing by systematically scheduling participants. The university needed a solution for weekly testing of nearly 9,000 students, faculty and staff in the spring 2021 semester. Doug Meswarb, UMaine manager of ticket operations, determined that the ticketing system could be used to deliver mobile tickets with testing dates and times. He developed reports for university officials to track attendance via scanned tickets. As a result, UMaine was able to monitor — in real time — those individuals who had been selected for testing and engage in immediate follow-up regarding missed appointments. “COVID-19 testing has been crucial to enabling us to be on campus during the pandemic,” says UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy. “Thanks to our ticketing team, led by Doug Meswarb, we’ve been able to efficiently schedule appointments and thoroughly track the participation of people in our campus-based testing program. “The pandemic has challenged us in so many ways here at the University of Maine and across the country,” says Ferrini-Mundy. “I’m very proud of this team for its incredible innovation and creativity that help keep our community safe.” Daniel Williams, executive director of the Collins Center for the Arts, says the award recognizes the exceptionally successful and responsive UMaine initiative that eased a difficult situation. UMaine’s entry for the award was among an unprecedented number of nominations submitted to Paciolan. Paciolan is a leader in ticketing solutions, powering more than 500 live entertainment organizations that sell more than 120 million tickets per year. Paciolan acknowledged UMaine as an organization that exceeded expectations and achieved uncommon results, with a focus on strategic pivots, revenue retention, and innovation during the

pandemic. Contact: Karen Cole, karen.cole1@maine.edu

Sinha to deliver Schonberger Peace and Justice Lecture March 9

24 Feb 2021

Manisha Sinha, award-winning author and renowned expert in the history of slavery and abolition, and Civil War Reconstruction, will deliver the University of Maine's 2021 Howard B. Schonberger Peace and Justice Lecture via Zoom at 5:15 p.m. on March 9. Sinha's presentation, "The Abolitionist Origins of Reconstruction" will trace the roots of transformational constitutional changes implemented during Reconstruction. Her nonlinear approach will reveal how black citizenship became a legislative centerpiece after the Civil War and how that history connects to today's Black Lives Matter movement. The annual Howard B. Schonberger Peace and Social Justice Lecture honors Schonberger's legacy as a UMaine professor of history and an activist scholar before his death in 1991. At UMaine, his interests included U.S. foreign policy during war and periods of colonialism and imperialism, and the struggles for democracy and democratic socialism at home and abroad. Participants can join Sinha's [Zoom](#) presentation, which is part of the Spring 2021 History Symposium Series, by logging in with password 391122. For more information, or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Mary Freeman, mary.t.freeman@maine.edu.

Media promote UMaine Extension's new cooking webinars

24 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Sun Journal](#) and [The Irregular](#) advanced the University of Maine Cooperative Extension cooking and nutrition webinar series that begins March 9. More information, including the full schedule, is available [online](#).

Media advance virtual science café for teens

24 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#), the [Daily Bulldog](#) and [Centralmaine.com](#) highlighted University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H offering virtual science cafés for teens in grades 7–12 from 4–4:45 p.m. every Tuesday beginning March 2. "[Maine 4-H Virtual Teen Science Cafés](#)" will feature informal sessions with University of Maine scientists discussing their research and what led them to their work. More information about the series is [online](#).

Walsh highlights virtual college planning sessions in WVII segment

24 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with Kate Walsh, an advisor at the University of Maine's Maine Educational Opportunity Center, about a new webinar series that helps people apply to college and explore financial aid and scholarship options. "The Essentials of College Planning" is being offered statewide. More information about the program is [online](#).

Media promote talk by Arctic Initiative Fellow Ulmer

24 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) and the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) promoted a talk by Fran Ulmer, Arctic Initiative senior fellow at Harvard University's Belfer Center at the Kennedy School of Government, scheduled for 3 p.m. March 8. Ulmer's talk, "Rapid Arctic Change: Why Does It Matter and How Can the Science Community Help?" is sponsored by the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions at the University of Maine. More information is [online](#).

Diamond talks with WVII about alums' contributions to Maine economy

24 Feb 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with John Diamond, president and CEO of the University of Maine Alumni Association, about the findings from a recent study of the impact of UMaine alumni on the state's economy. "The amount of money that the state is putting into Orono education is being paid for and then some annually by the alumni," said Diamond. The Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center conducted the survey to document the significant contributions of UMaine alumni to the state. Additional data will be published as the six-part [study](#) continues.

Pen Bay Pilot highlights students' 'It's Personal' donation campaign

24 Feb 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) shared a University of Maine announcement about a student-led campaign to collect donations of personal care items for the campus food pantry, the Black Bear Exchange. Honors Ambassadors Katie Tims and Bailey West sponsored a campus food drive last fall that garnered more than 500 items for the pantry and a \$500 grant from the Maine Hunger Dialogue. They are using the grant to support the personal care items collection campaign.

O'Neill cited in News Center coverage of Madison mill repurposing

24 Feb 2021

[News Center Maine](#) cited Shane O'Neill, forest industry business development manager at the University of Maine, in a story about the repurposing and reopening of a shuttered mill in Madison. "There's been a lot of effort put forward in increasing the diversification of Maine's forest economy," O'Neill said. "So, we can maximize the value from our products and create a more steady economy within the forest industry."

UMaine to host virtual '2021 Nor'easter Bowl' marine science competition

25 Feb 2021

Maine and New Hampshire high school students will put their marine science knowledge to the test by competing in the virtual 2021 Nor'easter Bowl hosted by the University of Maine on Feb. 27. Ten teams from five schools will face off from 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. through Zoom for the regional round of the 24th annual National Ocean Sciences Bowl. Students will vie for 15 \$1,000 scholarships offered by the event's sponsors, UMaine's School of Marine Sciences and College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture. The National Ocean Sciences Bowl, an interdisciplinary ocean science education program of the nonprofit Consortium for Ocean Leadership based in Washington, D.C., is a quiz bowl-style academic competition that tests students' knowledge of ocean-related topics, which include cross-disciplines of biology, chemistry, policy, physics and geology. In addition to the Nor'easter Bowl, scholars will be competing in 25 other contests throughout the nation. The winner of each regional bowl will compete in the national competition sponsored by the Consortium for Ocean Leadership. The time and date for the competition has yet to be determined. For more information, contact 2021 Nor'easter Bowl coordinator Katie Clegg at umaine.noreaster.bowl@gmail.com.

Bouchard on panel discussion of aquaculture in the Northeast

25 Feb 2021

Deborah Bouchard, University of Maine Cooperative Extension aquatic animal health specialist and director of the UMaine Aquaculture Research Institute, presented an update on the aquaculture industry in Maine as part of a panel discussion on aquaculture in the Northeast. Hosted by the Council on Food, Agricultural, and Resource Economics (C-FARE) and the Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association (NAREEA), Bouchard was one of five aquaculture leaders presenting for the Feb. 1 webinar. Bouchard discussed the value of a growing aquaculture industry in Maine that includes over \$88.4 million in fish, shellfish and sea vegetables and 700 individuals employed at 190 farms (Maine Department of Marine Resources, 2020). Four species are currently grown at recirculating aquaculture systems in the state — Atlantic salmon, American eel, brook trout, and amberjack. Bouchard also discussed the role of aquaculture workforce development in Maine, specifically UMaine ARI's Certification in Applied Sustainable Aquaculture and their Industry Partnership Internship Program.

UMaine students receive international scholarships to study in England, Wales

25 Feb 2021

Two University of Maine students have been awarded Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships to study in the United Kingdom for the fall 2021 semester. Madison-Riley Powell, a third-year marine sciences major from Leicester, Massachusetts, seeks to enroll at Bangor University in Wales. Jonathan Warren, a business management transfer student from Tacoma, Washington, will study at Lancaster University in England. Both are hopeful that travel restrictions related to the pandemic will ease over the summer, to allow for in-person learning. Powell chose Bangor University based on the exceptional research opportunities available there, and in part, due to the university's location between the mountains and the sea. Her research will focus on marine conservation and the effects of climate change on marine organisms. Warren, who selected Lancaster University for its renowned marketing program, seeks to learn more about global markets while engaging with a new culture. Powell and Warren are two of 900 undergraduate students who will use the \$5,000 scholarship to defray the costs of international study. Recipients of the 2021 awards represent 397 colleges and universities across the U.S., and will study or intern in 87 countries. The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship program, which seeks to foster students' engagement as global citizens, is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and is administered by the Institute of International Education. More information about the program is [online](#).

UMaine Extension 4-H virtual science cafés start March 2

25 Feb 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension 4-H will offer virtual science cafés for teens in grades 7–12 from 4–4:45 p.m. each Tuesday beginning March 2. [Maine 4-H Virtual Science Cafés](#) will feature informal sessions with University of Maine scientists discussing their research and providing insight into what motivated their work. In the first webinar, UMaine Advanced Structures and Composites Center business development manager John Arimond will discuss wind energy research and development, wind blade testing and 3D printing production. Future topics will include studies of wildlife, archaeology and sharks. The webinars are free; registration is required for each session. Register and view the list of topics and presenters on the [program webpage](#). More information is also available on the [UMaine Extension 4-H Learn at Home](#) webpage. To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Jessy Brainerd, 207.581.3877; jessica.brainerd@maine.edu.

Centralmaine.com features wind energy op-ed from public advocate

25 Feb 2021

[Centralmaine.com](#) shared an op-ed by Barry Hobbins, Maine's public advocate, noting that floating offshore wind power will benefit Maine's electric consumers. In the piece, Hobbins refers to the promise of wind power, and notes that applying the floating offshore wind technology developed at the University of Maine's Advanced Structure and Composites Center will put Maine in a leadership position.

Curran recall Lown's legacy in BDN column

25 Feb 2021

In a [Bangor Daily News](#) op-ed, Hugh Curran, a University of Maine assistant professor who teaches courses in peace and reconciliation, noted the many contributions of Bernard Lown to medicine, health equity and world peace.

UMaine cited in WWII coverage of report to Marine Resources Committee

25 Feb 2021

[WV7](#) (Channel 7) reported that the University of Maine was cited in a report by the Governor's Energy Office to the Marine Resources Committee of the state Legislature. "The University of Maine has developed a technology which can be made right here in the state and can be deployed using local content and creating local jobs," said Dan Burgess, director of the Governor's Energy Office.

Times Record promotes virtual Maine Fishermen's Forum

25 Feb 2021

[The Times Record](#) promoted virtual events in February, March and April that are part of the 2021 Maine Fishermen's Forum, noting that Bridie McGreavy, an assistant professor of environmental communication at the University of Maine, is organizing it and will co-host the shellfish day discussion. The Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions and Maine Sea Grant are also assisting in planning and hosting the events.

BDN reports DiSpirito a finalist for Truman Scholarship

25 Feb 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that Dominique DiSpirito, a third-year political science and Honors student at the University of Maine, is a finalist for a highly competitive Truman Scholarship. The award recognizes community service and government leadership among undergraduate students pursuing careers in public service. Winners will be announced on April 14.

'The Maine Question' asks how Cooperative Extension helps people thrive

25 Feb 2021

While University of Maine Cooperative Extension's roots are in agriculture, the 106-year-old organization helps all Mainers thrive with its relevant research-based programs that promote child development, nutrition, robotics, entrepreneurship and more. Recently, "more" has included providing communities with much-needed resources during the pandemic. In this initial podcast of Season 4, ["The Maine Question"](#) host Ron Lisnet discusses Cooperative Extension's past, present and future with UMaine and University of Maine at Machias President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and Cooperative Extension Dean Hannah Carter, who says the trusted organization can be like Google for Mainers seeking information. Listen to the podcast on [iTunes](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [SoundCloud](#), [Stitcher](#), [Spotify](#) or "The Maine Question" [website](#). New episodes are added Thursdays. What topics would you like to learn more about? What questions do you have for UMaine experts? Email them to mainequestion@maine.edu.

President speaks with News Center about Commencement 2021

26 Feb 2021

University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy spoke with [News Center Maine](#) about the 2021 commencement in repose to an online petition calling for an in-person ceremony. "We have committees meeting regularly to look at what other possibilities might open up to us if state civil guidance should change," Ferrini-Mundy said. "I have (the petition) and I'm appreciative when students speak out and let us know how concerned they are. It comes along with some plans and some ideas. All of this is in the hands of our Commencement Committee."

UMaine School of Performing Arts offers 'The Wolves' as an on-demand, virtual production

01 Mar 2021

The University of Maine School of Performing Arts will present an on-demand virtual production of its first spring show, "The Wolves," streaming online from March 5–14. "The Wolves" by Sarah DeLappe follows a girls' indoor soccer team gathered in warm up. From the safety of their suburban stretch circle, the team navigates big questions and wages tiny battles with all the vim and vigor of adolescent warriors — a portrait of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for nine American girls who just want to score some goals. "The Wolves" received the American Playwriting Foundation's Relentless Award, and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in Drama in 2017. It also was a New York Times Critic's Pick. Associate professor of theatre Marcia Joy Douglas is directing the cast of 10. She has been a director, educator and choreographer at UMaine since 1999. Virtual tickets are available for preorder for \$12, and provide 48 hours of access to view the performance March 5–14. For more information or to order tickets, visit: showtix4u.com/event-details/46822. UMaine stage manager Laura Garfein, a theatre and psychology double major from Walnut Creek, California, reflected on the difficulties in producing a show during these challenging times. "It was a little challenging to work on this first real production, because we are still figuring out what limits we have due to COVID, and how best to work around them," Garfein says. "And we also had the additional challenge of not being allowed a live audience. We solved this through deciding to record the show for people to view, which creates a different visual end goal that worked well for this show but also was not a medium that any of us were used to working with." Many of the cast members expressed appreciation that working on this production has been able to bring them a sense of normalcy, amid a world changed by a pandemic. "COVID restrictions have made a large impact on everyone across the world, and have prevented a lot of the social gatherings that we're used to as humans," says Lydia Saltzman, a theatre major from Beverly, Massachusetts who plays soccer player #8. "Being able to get even some kind of normalcy in being able to spend time with people means so much." The play really speaks to our pandemic lives, says Mary Jean Sedlock, lecturer in theatre, production manager and technical director at UMaine. "It is ultimately a story about how tragedy can shift your plans, your beliefs and your world view in an instant. For me, that really resonates with how the onset of the pandemic felt. Within a very short time, I was looking at my priorities differently--reassessing what was important through a whole new lens." Julia Whinston, a philosophy major from Silverthorne, Colorado who is player #2, says the play resonates with our current time. "I think these are unprecedented times in that we are being continually surprised by our outside world, and it's leading us to be reaffirmed in our inner selves and our beliefs. We are continually being thrust into situations that demand we get to know ourselves in new and interesting ways. These girls are newly discovering their places in the world just as we are always trying to find our place in the everchanging, radical world." Sedlock says one of the reasons for choosing the play was that it could meet the challenges of keeping cast members safe during a pandemic. "The show calls for minimal props and no costume changes," Sedlock says. "This means that we don't have as many objects being touched by multiple people. We also don't have to have actors and crew in close proximity for quick changes of clothing. Further, there are no moments of

romance or physical intimacy in the play, so that allows us to stage the play with the actors maintaining greater distancing from each other.” Aja Sobus, a theatre major who plays a soccer mom, says the hope is that the show “can bring some happiness to not only those who have been missing theatre during these trying times, but to everyone who needs some happiness.”

Thomas Oliver: Finishing what he started with a B.U.S.

01 Mar 2021

The University of Maine’s flexible degree completion program for busy adults, Bachelor of University Studies, is still accepting applications for the 2021 spring semester. The extended deadline is March 15. The Bachelor of University Studies (B.U.S.) allows busy working adults like Thomas Oliver to finish what they started. In 2021 Oliver expects to earn the bachelor’s degree he started 28 years ago. Oliver graduated from Old Town High School in 1993 and began his post-secondary education at the University of Maine, where he studied engineering and worked in information technology. In 1998, he left the state to work and travel. Oliver settled in Oregon and found employment with an electric utility company. He married and had three children. Despite work and family leaving him with little free time, a professional development opportunity focused on management issues for electric utility leaders got him thinking about his unfinished degree. He began to look at options for completing his degree and found the University of Maine Bachelor of University Studies (B.U.S.) online program. “The Bachelor of University Studies provides the flexibility a working adult needs and the opportunity to learn alongside, albeit virtually, others who have similar life experiences. The dialogue with classmates is an important part of the learning process and I believe that is captured in the structure of the B.U.S. program,” he says. After a 20-year break from college, Oliver entered the UMaine B.U.S. program in 2016 and has since been steadily working to complete his degree on a part-time basis. The B.U.S is designed to be adaptable to the needs of the individual student and offers multiple track options. He found that the labor studies track combined subject matter relevant to his personal and professional development and incorporated other areas of interest, such as history, politics and philosophy, into his curriculum. He is on track to graduate this year with a Bachelor of University Studies, and minors in business and economics. Now a director of engineering, Oliver credits his employer for supporting his education and his family. His advice to the adult learner is not to wait. “You do not need to start with a full course load. Don’t let it overwhelm you. Pick a piece and work on it.” For more information about the Bachelor of University Studies, and to apply for a spring semester start, visit umaine.edu/universitystudies or call 207.581.3143. Contact: Lindsey McMorrow, lindsey.h.mcmorrow@maine.edu, 207.581.3131

UMaine Extension offers new cooking webinars in March

01 Mar 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer two new webinars about cooking with Maine foods from 2–2:45 p.m. March 9 and March 23. The first March “[Cooking with the Maine Harvest](#)” session focuses on using home-frozen fruit in baking and cooking, followed by one about cooking with home-canned foods two weeks later. Instructors share recipes and techniques in this interactive series, which continues through the spring. Registration is required; a \$5 donation per session is optional. Register on the [program webpage](#) to receive the link and resources. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Kate McCarty, 207.781.6099; kate.mccarty@maine.edu.

Pen Bay Pilot, VillageSoup advance Lunch-and-Learn Series

01 Mar 2021

The [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [VillageSoup](#) advanced the University of Maine Hutchinson Center’s Career Transformation Lunch-and-Learn Series, which will be offered Fridays April 9, 16 and 23. More information is available on the Hutchinson Center [website](#).

CompositesWorld notes UMaine aiding Orbital Composites in wind-blade research

01 Mar 2021

[CompositesWorld](#) noted that the University of Maine will assist Orbital Composites in its effort to make wind blades “with large-scale continuous fiber additive manufacturing.” According to the report, the UMaine Advanced Structures and Composites Center “will also be incorporating its Offshore Wind Lab to test the wind blade’s strength and fatigue aging of the AM blades, as well as how well they survive lightning strikes.”

Media note UMaine’s application deadline extension for Bachelor of University Studies program

01 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [The Irregular](#), [the Advertiser Democrat](#) and the [Livermore Falls Advertiser](#) noted that the University of Maine extended the deadline for applications to the Bachelor of University Studies program. For more information about the Bachelor of University Studies, and to apply for a spring semester start, visit the program [website](#) or call 207.581.3143.

UMaine cited in announcement of Maine’s NOWRDC membership advanced by media

01 Mar 2021

An announcement from the Governor’s Office of Policy Innovation and the Future published in the [Boothbay Register](#) and [OffshoreWIND.biz](#) about Maine joining the National Offshore Wind Research and Development Consortium (NOWRDC) noted that the membership includes the University of Maine. “The University of Maine is very pleased to support the state as it strengthens important research ties nationally and internationally on floating offshore wind,” said Habib Dagher, executive director of Advanced Structures and Composite Center.

BDN reports Powell, Warren receive scholarships to study in the UK

01 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) reported that University of Maine students Madison-Riley Powell and Jonathan Warren have received Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarships to study in the United Kingdom in fall 2021. Powell is a marine sciences major; Warren is studying business management.

WABI highlights innovation award to Collins Center for the Arts

01 Mar 2021

[WABI](#) reported that the University of Maine Collins Center for the Arts received the Innovation of the Year award from the ticketing firm Paciolan for using their ticketing software to streamline campus COVID-19 testing.

Dill speaks to BDN about pseudoscorpions in Maine

01 Mar 2021

Jim Dill, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension pest management specialist, spoke with the [Bangor Daily News](#) about pseudoscorpions native to Maine. According to the BDN, “pseudoscorpions found in Maine are native to the area and are among the smaller of the 3,000 species in the family. “They are really neat little critters,” Dill said. “They are actually good to have around.” [WGME](#) (Channel 13 in Portland), [WEBB](#) (B98.5 in Waterville), [The Piscataquis Observer](#) and [Yahoo! News](#) shared the BDN article.

Bloomberg interviews MacRae about PFA-containing liquid from landfill waste

01 Mar 2021

Jean MacRae spoke with [Bloomberg](#) about concerns involving leachate, particularly from the Juniper Ridge Landfill in Old Town. According to Bloomberg, leachate “is a liquid that forms when rain water filters through garbage” that is “a source of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS),” which has been connected with various health problems. The associate professor of civil and environmental engineering with the University of Maine said pollutants can be removed from “a majority” of the leachate collected from the landfill and transported to the wastewater treatment plant. “Stuff still gets through, and it’s ultimately discharged into the river where it gets absorbed by fish,” she said. [The Seattle Times](#), [The Straits Times](#) and [Yahoo! Finance](#) shared the Bloomberg article.

UMaine students defend CFA research challenge state title

02 Mar 2021

A team of students from the Maine Business School (MBS) at the University of Maine has claimed the top prize at the state’s 2021 Chartered Financial Analyst Institute Research Challenge, successfully defending the title won last year by another team of UMaine students. Pank Agrawal, the team’s advisor, says that the students’ hard work has been recognized, and notes that these competitions underscore the quality of UMaine’s MBS students and programs. Read more about the competition on the [Maine Business School](#) website.

Media advance agricultural research updates March 10

02 Mar 2021

[Morning Ag Clips](#), [The Irregular](#), [Centralmaine.com](#) and the [Bangor Daily News](#) advanced three agricultural research updates for Maine potato growers offered via Zoom 7–8 p.m. March 10 offered by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. More information is [online](#).

NY Times op-ed cites UMaine Extension beekeeping, master gardener courses

02 Mar 2021

An opinion in the [New York Times](#) cited the University of Maine Cooperative Extension in a story about Maine prisoners becoming skilled beekeepers and certified master gardeners. In 2018, [UMaine Today](#) featured a story about the UMaine Extension gardening program at the Maine State Prison in Warren, which yielded fresh produce for prison meals, seedlings for community groups, and facilitated development of employable skills for prisoners.

Press Herald opinion highlights Miller’s appearance on ‘Maine Calling’

02 Mar 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) column cited University of Maine professor of philosophy and ethicist Jessica Miller’s perspective as a bioethicist and included her comments from her appearance on “Maine Calling,” where she discussed the ethics of vaccine distribution and the principles that guide public vaccination strategies.

BDN, Morning Ag promote Extension’s maple sugaring bulletins, videos

02 Mar 2021

In a preview of Maine Maple Sunday March 27–28, the [Bangor Daily News](#) promoted the University of Maine Cooperative Extension’s maple sugaring resources, including publications, videos and guidance for safely conducting sugar house tours during the pandemic. [Morning Ag Clips](#) also highlighted the UMaine Extension sugaring resources.

Wicklund talks with Press Herald about seed viability, using last year’s seeds

02 Mar 2021

Mary Wicklund, a University of Maine Cooperative Extension home horticulture coordinator, talked with the [Portland Press Herald](#) about conducting viability tests on old flower and vegetable seeds and proper storage of seeds to extend viability.

Extension cited as soil science resource in Press Herald column

02 Mar 2021

The [Portland Press Herald](#) published an op-ed that cited technical support for healthy soils initiatives offered by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. The authors are advocating for passage of LD-437, An Act To Create the Maine Healthy Soils Program, which would elevate the work of UMaine Extension.

Bennett-Armistead, Nichols cited in Kennebec Journal story about UMA prison education partnership

02 Mar 2021

Associate professor of literacy education Susan Bennett-Armistead and professor of literacy education William Dee Nichols talked to the [Kennebec Journal](#) about educating people behind bars. In a story about the University of Maine at Augusta's Prison Education Partnership Program with the Maine Department of Corrections, Bennett-Armistead and Nichols discussed a program they are involved with at the Penobscot County Jail. In 2017, the literacy faculty members partnered with Riverside Adult Education Partnership and Literacy Volunteers of Bangor to offer education and other services to female inmates, including help completing high school and preparing for college, child development and parenting classes, and individual tutoring in reading and writing. "These women really just had their worst day ever, and we want to move past that — we mostly don't care about that. We want them to move forward," Bennett-Armistead said. Both Bennett-Armistead and Nichols talked about how education programs can "transform" lives for incarcerated people. "It's the power of what these educational opportunities provide. They can show it (certificate or degree) to loved ones and show that they are trying to change," said Nichols.

UMaine earns 'Voter Friendly Campus' designation following 2020 election

03 Mar 2021

The University of Maine has been designated as a voter friendly campus for 2021–2022, according to the Campus Vote Project and the NASPA — Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education. These nonpartisan, national organizations seek to involve college students in the political process to foster lifelong civic engagement. The Voter Friendly Campus designation is earned by establishing institutional accountability for student engagement at higher education institutions. Applicants must set goals, develop and implement action plans to motivate and sustain student voting, and evaluate their strategies after a general election to improve student voter turnout. In 2019–20, the last national general election year, [124 U.S. colleges and universities](#) earned the voter friendly designation; no Maine institutions were among them. Campus initiatives aimed at reducing barriers leading up to the 2020 election included activating UMaine UVote, offering mini-grants to student groups proposing non-partisan projects to encourage voting, and hosting student-led voter registration drives. UMaine UVote ambassadors conducted classroom visits, offered online voter registration and information sessions, reached out directly to their peers, and volunteered with the Town of Orono on National Voter Registration Day. The Department of Political Science provided funding for the mini-grants, and several organizations sponsored voter registration events. [WhoWhatWhy](#), a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization, reported in September 2020 that UMaine ranked 31st in a [survey](#) that identified the top voting campuses in the U.S. in 2016. It is estimated that in the November 2020 presidential election, designated voter friendly campuses empowered millions of college students to vote.

UMaine Extension offers agricultural research updates March 10

03 Mar 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer three research updates for the agricultural industry 7–8 p.m. March 10. Scheduled speakers are Andrei Alyokhin, a University of Maine professor of applied entomology, who will talk about the persistence of the Colorado potato beetle; Aaron Buzza, an assistant scientist in UMaine's School of Biology and Ecology, who will discuss the effect of late-season use of styllet oil; and Ek Han Tan, a UMaine assistant professor of plant genetics, who will highlight efforts to increase development of favorable traits in potato varieties. The three presentations are based on research funded by the Maine Potato Board. The webinar is free; registration is required to receive the link. Register on the [program webpage](#). Participants can earn one pesticide recertification credit and one CCA credit. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Steve Johnson, 207.554.4373; stevenj@maine.edu.

Philbrick talks with WVII about virtual science cafes

03 Mar 2021

Alice Philbrick, a 4-H community education assistant with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, talked with [WVII](#) (Channel 7) about the virtual 4-H science cafes for teens in grades 7–12. The series, which is offered via Zoom, begins on March 2 and will continue through May. More information is [online](#).

WQHR cites Lobster Institute experts in questioning whether lobsters feel pain

03 Mar 2021

[WQHR](#) (Q96.1 in Presque Isle) cited University of Maine experts Robert Steneck and Bob Bayer in a story about whether lobsters experience pain while being boiled. According to Steneck, a professor of marine sciences, and Bayer, the retired director of the Lobster Institute, the lobster's nervous system is simple, and not likely to register pain.

Media advance March 15 talk about community solar

03 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), the [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) and [The Franklin Journal](#) promoted a talk by Sharon Klein, University of Maine associate professor of economics, scheduled for 3–4 p.m. March 15 on Zoom. In her presentation, “Is Community Solar Good for Communities?” Klein will share the findings from five years of community solar-related research. More information about the event, which is sponsored by the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Sustainability Solutions, is [online](#).

Press Herald op-ed cites Ferrini-Mundy recommendations for building state’s STEM workforce

03 Mar 2021

A [Portland Press Herald](#) op-ed outlining strategies for building a skilled and resilient STEM workforce in Maine cited University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy in calling for increased investment in research and development and establishment of new public-private partnerships. Authors Ben Gilman and Rachel Kerestes noted that increased private investment in higher education, such as the \$240 million gift from the Harold Alfond Foundation to the University of Maine System, will facilitate the expansion of STEM education across the state, further supporting workforce development.

WVII talks with Ferrini-Mundy about vaccine education campaign for employees

03 Mar 2021

[WVII](#) (Channel 7) talked with University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy about the University of Maine System’s efforts to encourage employees to get vaccinated against COVID-19. The information campaign includes sharing reminders from the UMS Chancellor Dannel Malloy and campus presidents that express support for vaccination.

\$92.4 million in MEIF investments drive UMaine research to record heights

03 Mar 2021

Research investments and expenditures at the University of Maine have increased dramatically over the year amidst a strategic pursuit of research activity being promoted by UMaine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and others at UMaine and the University of Maine System. More than \$92.4 million in investments in Maine and its universities are being reported in the FY 2020 draft Maine Economic Improvement Fund (MEIF) Annual Report presented to the University of Maine System Board of Trustees Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee at its March 3 meeting. A University of Maine System news release is [online](#). Contact: Dan Demeritt, dan.demeritt@maine.edu

Gunnar Docos: Diligence, perseverance in the lab and on the field

03 Mar 2021

Excelling at college, whether in the lab or on the football field, requires hard work and time management, according to Gunnar Docos. Adhering to both helped the electrical engineering technology undergraduate student and offensive lineman thrive at the University of Maine. During his first two years of study, Docos, of Harrison, would wake up at 5 a.m., lift weights at 6 a.m., attend several hours of class, push through football practice and tackle homework with his teammates until about 10 p.m. every weekday. Long days filled with various tasks taught the now UMaine senior how to best manage his time, and encouraged him to avoid procrastination, he says. Learning both also helped him preserve through remote learning prompted by COVID-19. “I wanted to get everything I could out of school and everything I could out of football,” Docos says. “If I put in the work now, it puts me somewhere further down the line.” Docos has been a lifelong lover of football and a Black Bears fan since he was in elementary school. Watching UMaine football players dominate the field on television with his father, Bill Docos, imbued him with a love for the team. Being a spectator, however, wasn’t enough for Docos, so he picked up the pigskin. The UMaine senior has been playing as an offensive lineman since fifth grade. Oxford Hills High School, South Paris, recruited him to its team, and he worked his way toward becoming a college athlete. Docos, always dedicated to hard work, achieved his goal when UMaine offered him preferred walk-on for the team, meaning the coaching staff recruited him with no tryout. He says he bonded with the other UMaine offensive lineman, referring to the group as “the guys in the trenches” fighting back against their opponents outside of the spotlight so their teammates can make the touchdown. “There’s like a brotherhood between the guys up front,” Docos says. The standout moment of Docos’s football career was his first game Aug. 30, 2018, when the Black Bears competed against the University of New Hampshire Wildcats. UMaine defeated its rival 35–7. “It was a pretty exciting game,” Docos says. “It was a cool experience I got to share with my team, my dad and my family.” An interest for engineering sparked in Docos while he worked on electrical wiring in vehicles during his high school automotive technology class. While the university’s renown for football first hooked Docos, its accolades in engineering education also attracted him. The College of Engineering is the only institution in the state to offer 11 ABET accredited engineering and engineering technology degree programs, and 99% of graduates either secure employment or pursue a graduate education. Troubleshooting wiring while Docos and his classmates have been building an audio amplifier for their capstone course taught him that engineers face problems on a regular basis, and have to figure out solutions as they occur. Juggling academia with a college football career prompted Docos to take several advanced courses early before their prerequisites. While the UMaine athlete felt lost at times, he says classmates and faculty, particularly Jude Pearse, a professor of electrical engineering technology, provided guidance. Professors encourage diligence, and help students who exhibit it, Docos says. “(Hard work has) always been a thing I try to be good at. I might not be the smartest, strongest or fastest as a student or athlete, but I always work as hard as I can,” he says. “When something’s hard, keep pushing.” Whether he secures an engineering career or a position in professional football, Docos will never give up the game. The UMaine athlete returns to Oxford Hills High School during winter breaks and teaches players techniques he learned training and competing at the university level. Wherever he goes, Docos will take the lessons he learned at UMaine with him. “I think I’ve grown as a person,” he says. “Football and everything teaches you how to grow up. You have to realize your priorities and what’s important.” Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

Josh Rosen: Carving a path

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Josh Rosen is a University of Maine super alum. He earned his undergraduate degree in Earth and climate sciences in May 2013 at UMaine and is currently working on a dual degree: an MBA with an anticipated graduation date of May 2021 and a JD from Maine Law to be finished in 2022. Rosen grew up in Enfield. He excelled in science and math in high school and planned to study civil engineering at UMaine. An introductory course in Earth sciences with Alice Kelley changed his plan. Read Josh's story [here](#). Contact: Melanie Brooks, melanie.brooks@maine.edu

Tracey O'Connell: UMaine alumna honored with Maine School Counselor Association Lifetime Achievement Award

04 Mar 2021

In late January, Tracey O'Connell, school counselor at Leonard Middle School in Old Town, started getting emails from her principal about an upcoming Zoom meeting that nobody was allowed to miss. She thought it was going to be a regular staff meeting, nothing terribly exciting. As it turned out, the Feb. 5 meeting was a virtual schoolwide assembly to announce that O'Connell was the recipient of the first ever Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine School Counselor Association. "It was all very hush-hush, so it was a big surprise and I feel very honored," says O'Connell. The Lifetime Achievement Award is given to school counselors who have made a positive impact on students and school counseling, and who demonstrate leadership, advocacy and professionalism. O'Connell, who calls herself a humble person, says the honor is not just hers, but a reflection of her hard work for everyone in the Leonard Middle School community. "I feel a lot of gratitude for all my college learning and support and I think having this award shows that doing a really good job at something you love is important and that school counselors are integral for school communities," she says. O'Connell's journey to becoming a school counselor began in a one-room school in tiny Aurora, Maine (population 70 when she was growing up). She attended the Airline School until eighth grade, then Brewer High School. For college, she initially attended the University of Maine at Farmington before transferring to the University of Maine where she completed a degree in child development and family relations in 1983. She worked as a kindergarten teacher and had other jobs before returning to UMaine for graduate school in the early '90s. She ultimately completed a master's in counselor education in 1994, and a certificate of advanced studies in 1996. "I was a nontraditional graduate student. I remember I was pregnant and had a little kid, and we lived in University Park," O'Connell recalls. After earning her master's, O'Connell got her first school counselor job back at the Airline School, where she had grown up. It was one day a week to start, eventually increasing to two. She also got a job working two-and-a-half days a week at the Dedham School. "I loved it," she says. "School counseling can sometimes be a job that people worry about, like 'Who's going to be teaching my kids about the important stuff that school counselors teach?' But those communities trusted me, and the schools were wonderful." After about six years, O'Connell got a full-time job at Leonard Middle School, closer to where she lives in Orono. She's been there ever since. School counselors wear many hats, and that's just the way O'Connell likes it. She teaches a class once a week, but she's also there to provide support for students going through everything from the routine challenges of being in middle school to more sensitive matters, such as the death of a parent. She's the suicide prevention trainer for her school, providing training to staff with other counselors in the district about warning signs and other things to be aware of when it comes to people — particularly young people — in distress. Other roles include, leading the garden club and the Civil Rights team, Operation Breaking Stereotypes adviser, and serving on school councils and committees. "Being a school counselor is all about building strong relationships, and I really believe in that," she says. "I think math and language arts are important too. But every meeting I'm in, I always ask, 'What's the social-emotional learning aspect?' Because if you can't be emotionally healthy, then it makes it really hard to do the other stuff." O'Connell says she feels lucky to live and work so close to UMaine. Over the years, her alma mater has been a resource she has turned to frequently. "Any type of educational support that I need, I know I can call over and ask someone to give a talk or send resources. Black Bear Mentors have come into our school a lot over the years, and we've had several student teachers and interns from UMaine as well," she says. The Food Sciences department has been a yearly participant in the annual wellness fair. For young people considering a career as a school counselor, O'Connell offers this advice: "Jump right in. Go volunteer, get an internship, do some type of program to get experience." "Whenever I get an intern," O'Connell says, "I know I can get them on board to love middle school. They'll want to be a middle school counselor." Contact: Casey Kelly, casey.kelly@maine.edu.

UMaine, UNH Extensions offer ornamental landscape design webinar March 10

04 Mar 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension and University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension will offer a webinar about ornamental garden design for home gardeners from 6–7 p.m. March 10. Webinar topics include sustainable approaches to garden design, ideas and tips for siting an ornamental garden, plant selection and arrangement, and sourcing materials. Charlene Spindler Gray, a University of Maine lecturer in landscape design and program coordinator for environmental horticulture and sustainable agriculture, will lead the discussion. This is the fifth in a six-part [winter gardening webinar series](#) offered every other Wednesday through March for Maine and New Hampshire gardeners. Registration is required; a \$5 donation is optional. Register on the [event webpage](#) to attend live or to receive a link to the recording. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Pamela Hargest, 207.781.6099; pamela.hargest@maine.edu.

UMaine Extension compost webinar series starts March 11

04 Mar 2021

University of Maine Cooperative Extension will offer a three-webinar series about compost issues in agriculture and waste management from noon–1 p.m. March 11, 23 and 30. This [compost webinar series](#) first examines the organic certification process for compost usage with Caleb Goossen, Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association (MOFGA) organic crop and conservation specialist; followed by carcass composting with Krishona Martinson, University of Minnesota professor and Extension equine specialist; and composting hemp residual with Mark King, Maine Department of Environmental Protection environmental specialist and Maine Compost School educator. The fee is \$10 per session, \$25 for the series; registration is required. Register on the [event webpage](#) to receive webinar links. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Pamela Doherty, 207.832.0343; pamela.doherty@maine.edu.

Advertiser Democrat advances 4-H virtual events

04 Mar 2021

The [Advertiser Democrat](#) promoted several virtual events offered by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, including a [flying peeps workshop](#) March 31, a [virtual tour of Acadia National Park](#) on April 8, and a native seed workshop April 13. More information about the events is [online](#).

BDN previews UMaine participation in SXSW conference, FOR/Maine summit

04 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) previewed a University of Maine video highlighting the innovative possibilities of wood and the partnership between the university, the state's forest products industry and Finland. The two-minute video will be shown at the [2021 South by Southwest](#) (SXSW) virtual conference. The BDN report also advanced the [FOR/Maine summit](#) on the future of the state's forest bioeconomy on April 9.

WABI, MaineBiz report on UMaine research efforts

04 Mar 2021

[WABI](#) (Channel 5) cited the 2020 draft of the Maine Economic Improvement Fund Annual Report in highlighting a \$92 million investment in the University of Maine. According to University of Maine President Joan Ferrini-Mundy, continued investment is critical to sustaining research in Maine. "Our world-class scholars and researchers, and the students working with them, are among Maine's most important resources," Ferrini-Mundy said. WABI also reported that UMaine is seeking R1 status to support the institution's research mission and to leverage investments to increase external funding. Ferrini-Mundy, who will continue her role as the president of UMaine and the University of Maine at Machias, was recently named Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation for the University of Maine System. [MaineBiz](#) also reported on Ferrini-Mundy's appointment and the R&D investments.

'The Maine Question' asks what's Mainers relationship with the forest

04 Mar 2021

Maine is the most forested state in the country, and its residents interact with forests regularly in many different ways. They provide supplies for various products, which fuels industry and job creation, and space for outdoor recreation. These interactions, which help define Maine's identity, are the subject of Jessica Leahy's research. As a professor in the University of Maine School of Forest Resources, she studies the human dimensions of forestry and other natural resources. In Episode Two of Season Four of "[The Maine Question](#)," host Ron Lisnet speaks with Leahy about her work, the ways forests impact our lives and how our actions affect them. Listen to the podcast on [iTunes](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [SoundCloud](#), [Stitcher](#), [Spotify](#) or "The Maine Question" [website](#). New episodes are added Thursdays. What topics would you like to learn more about? What questions do you have for UMaine experts? Email them to mainequestion@maine.edu.

Boothbay Register promotes farm food safety course

06 Jan 2021

The [Boothbay Register](#) advanced an introductory webinar series, "Farm Food Safety Planning Made Simple," scheduled for 5–6:30 p.m. Feb. 2, Feb. 9 and Feb. 16. The series is sponsored by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension in partnership with the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. More information about the workshops is [online](#).

Media advance new outdoor educational series from UMaine Extension, community partners

15 Jan 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#), [Daily Bulldog](#) and [Penobscot Bay Pilot](#) advanced University of Maine Cooperative Extension's new monthly outdoor educational series for families with youth ages 7–18. UMaine Extension has teamed up with Maine Primitive Skills School and Sportsman's Alliance of Maine to host the series, "Outdoor Family Adventures." Register on the [program webpage](#).

MaineMBA, master's in education ranked among the best online programs in the country by U.S. News & World Report

26 Jan 2021

Two University of Maine online graduate programs have been ranked among the best in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. The [MaineMBA](#) ranked No. 81 in online master of business administration programs and the [College of Education and Human Development](#) ranked No. 108 for best online master's education programs. The MaineMBA ranking is up from No. 90 in 2019, while UMaine's ranking among education programs places it in the top half of all programs considered by U.S. News & World Report nationwide. "The MaineMBA is one of the highest values in the country right now with quality faculty from UMaine and USM working with excellent cooperating faculty members from industry to provide a world-class experience for our students," says Faye Gilbert, dean of the Maine Business School. "Our online programs continue to grow, and the infrastructure and delivery have improved," says Jim Artesani, associate dean for graduate education, research and outreach with the College of Education and Human Development. "The faculty and staff of the college and UMaineOnline work hard to provide the best possible educational experience for teachers and other professionals looking to advance their careers." U.S. News & World Report rankings are based on five categories, including engagement, student excellence, expert opinion, faculty credentials and training, and student services and technology. The UMaine Graduate School of Business offers several concentrations as part of the online MaineMBA, including [business analytics](#), [finance](#), and [healthcare systems](#). For more information on the MaineMBA, visit umaine.edu/mba. The UMaine College of Education and Human Development offers several online degree programs, including graduate certificates and master's degrees in the areas of [curriculum, assessment and instruction](#); [instructional technology](#); and [special education](#). More information on College of Education and Human Development graduate programs is at umaine.edu/edhd/graduate. Contact: Maine Business School: Melanie Brooks, melanie.brooks@maine.edu; College of Education and Human Development: Casey Kelly, casey.kelly@maine.edu

Apply for Summer Internships in Maine Government

01 Feb 2021

Applications are open for the Maine Government Summer Internship Program for summer 2021. Positions will be available in town and city governments and

in agencies of the Maine state government. Full time, paid internships will run June 1 through August 20, for a total of 12 weeks. Job areas include education, engineering, social media, conservation, law, data analysis, finance, and everything in between. All majors may apply. To be eligible for the program, students must be completing at least their second year of college and be either a Maine resident or attending a college or university in Maine. Graduating seniors and graduate students are eligible. The application deadline is February 28, 2021. Most internships are based in the Augusta area. A select number of internships will be available in other locations which in the past have included Bridgton, Caribou, Gray, Saco, Union, Sanford, Bethel, Presque Isle, Portland, Bangor, Rockland, and others. Some internships may be remote. The internship program comprises approximately 50 different internships. Students apply to the program at the same time as the supervisors request interns. Our selection committee then evaluates students based on skills and interests to fill the available positions. Each internship has specific qualifications and students are selected based on skills identified on their applications. Looking at [reports from previous years](#), listed on our website, is a good indicator of possible available internships. Students [apply online](#), submitting a cover letter, resume and unofficial transcript. Please see our [internship website](#) for more details.

New Cohort of McGillicuddy Humanities Center Fellows Begin Research

03 Mar 2021



New MHC Fellows from left to right: Elizabeth Dalton, Grace Royle, Delaney Burns, and Haley Santerre.

Four University of Maine students have joined the McGillicuddy Humanities Center (MHC) this semester as research fellows: Delaney Burns, Elizabeth Dalton, Grace Royle, and Haley Santerre. This new cohort joins existing fellows Nolan Altvater, Hailey Cedor, Nola Prevost and Katherine Reardon, who will finish their research at the MHC in Spring, 2021. Incoming fellow Delaney Burns is exploring the intersection of art and science. Burns, a fourth-year student from Gorham, Maine, is double-majoring in Studio Art and Marketing with minors in Art History and Graphic Design. For her fellowship, Burns will create a series of large-scale wood block prints titled, “Pinus longaeva: Discovering Form and Value through Ancient Bristlecone Pine Trees.” She hopes to learn and share new printmaking techniques, understand more about Ancient Bristlecone Pine Trees, and their importance to the ecosystem, and explore their personal connection to her father, a UMaine Forestry graduate. Elizabeth Dalton has begun her research into, “Analyzing the Harmful Effects of Historical Inaccuracies in Medieval History as Seen in Popular Culture.” A third year History major from Lamoine, Maine, Dalton is minoring in Medieval and Renaissance Studies. While recognizing the potential that binge-worthy shows and popular movies have to engage the public with history, Dalton’s project will investigate and describe the problematic ways in which accuracy is overlooked for the sake of entertainment. Her fellowship research will focus on depictions of the Medieval Age, as in Netflix’s *The King*. Grace Royle is a third year Communication major and Legal Studies minor from Minot, Maine. Royle has begun work on a scholarly paper tentatively titled, “From Self-Help to Self-Harm: An Analysis of the Dangers that Fester in the Self-Help Industry.” She is particularly interested in exploring the hidden dangers of the industry, with self-proclaimed gurus practicing without certification, or sufficient qualifications or regulation. Her research will also look into the complicated psychology that comes into play, where people are being promised self-help but instead partaking in dangerous, self-harming activities. Incoming fellow Haley Santerre asks, “Are the Gods to Blame?” Santerre is a third year Studio Art major and Art History minor from Portland, Maine. She is creating a series of six paintings that examine recent catastrophic events, such as the Coronavirus pandemic or Australian wildfires, through an historical and theological lens. By examining how ancient cultures, particularly those in Greece, would have responded, she hopes in turn to learn more about people’s beliefs today. Haley is the inaugural Richard and Karin Anderson Undergraduate Fellow, whose generous donation funds the research of one fellow per year. More information will be announced soon about a two-part showcase event in April featuring the research of the four fellows completing their research this spring. Future tribal educator Nolan Altvater has been doing his fellowship research on “Decolonizing Maine Education: Creating an Educational Resource to Improve the Implementation of The Wabanaki Studies Law.” Fellow Hailey Cedor is completing research related to local involvement of Lithuanians in the Holocaust and how that currently informs national views and identity in relation to that horrific moment in time. Like many, Fellow Nola Prevost is interested in the historic use of fairy tales to represent societal issues or moral messages. She has been using fairy tale conventions and feminist scholarship to create her own modernized collection of fables. Lastly, Katherine Reardon is putting final edits on her work on, “Family Stories, The Truth, and How It Shape Us,” which examines family lore and storytelling within her own Irish family. The MHC funds a rotating cohort of eight undergraduate fellows, providing \$4,000 each per semester for two semesters to complete the research or creative projects of their choosing. In addition to honing their research skills and building their academic networks, fellows serve as humanities ambassadors to their peers, the campus, and beyond. Many past MHC Fellows have stayed on at UMaine for graduate school. Students interested in becoming a

McGillicuddy Humanities Center undergraduate fellow have two deadlines to apply annually. Proposals to become a fall 2021 through spring 2022 fellow should be submitted by March 17, 2021. Research and creative work of all types across the humanities will be considered, from academic papers to art gallery shows, community workshops to educational video series. While the project has to be centered in the humanities, students from other disciplines are welcome to submit proposals for humanities-based projects. Students must be in their junior and/or senior year during the length of the two-semester fellowship term. More information, including application instructions, proposal guidelines, and a rubric, are all available at umaine.edu/mhc/research/for-students/undergraduate-fellowship/ or by contacting the MHC's Humanities Specialist Karen Sieber at karen.sieber@maine.edu.

WPFO reports fees on disinfectants going to UMaine diagnostic lab

04 Mar 2021

[WPFO](#) (Channel 23 in Waterville) reported that a fee assessed on the purchase of disinfectant wipes and sprays since June 2020 is designated to support the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Diagnostic and Research Laboratory. The funds are used to facilitate outreach and education on pesticide application and safety for homeowners, pest management, and expenses at the Tick Lab, where ticks submitted by the public are identified and tested for Lyme disease.

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05 Mar 2021

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length of the two-semester fellowship term. More information, including application instructions, proposal guidelines and a rubric, are available [online](#) or by contacting the MHC's humanities specialist Karen Sieber at karen.sieber@maine.edu.

Resources for maple sugaring from UMaine Extension

05 Mar 2021

Maine Maple Sunday is scheduled March 27–28 and maple trees are being tapped in preparation for this traditional spring celebration. University of Maine Cooperative Extension offers a selection of bulletins and videos relevant to Maine's maple syrup season, such as how to plan for open-farm events during COVID-19. The publications include:

- [Maine Maple Tours: Guidance During COVID-19](#)
- [How to Tap Maple Trees and Make Maple Syrup](#)
- [Maple Syrup Quality Control Manual](#)
- [Licensing and Regulations for Maple Syrup Processing in Maine](#)

Educational videos for the home producer also are available:

- [How Do I Tap a Maple Tree?](#)
- [When Do I Tap a Maple Tree?](#)
- [Tapping a Maple: Testing Quality](#)

UMaine Extension bulletins may be ordered or downloaded from the [publications catalog](#), or by calling 207.581.3792 or emailing extension.orders@maine.edu.

Practical Project Management Certificate Program offered at Hutchinson Center

05 Mar 2021

Registration is now open for an online project management program, Practical Project Management, offered 12:30–4:30 p.m. March 12, 17, 19 and 24 or May 5, 7, 12 and 14 through the University of Maine Hutchinson Center. Practical Project Management is a comprehensive professional development course that uses a concrete and targeted approach to building skills useful for managing projects in the real world. Participants will walk through a project from defining the parameters to determining scope, building a work breakdown structure, and developing a timeline and Gantt charts. Communication plans, time management, negotiations, conflict, engaging stakeholders and team building will be included in discussion. Project management concerns that are timely or interesting will also be discussed. Angela Wheaton, M.A., will facilitate the classes. Wheaton holds a Master of Arts degree in theology and counseling, is certified by the Project Management Institute, holds a Scrum Master certification, and is a certified Facilitative Leader and Trainer. She has leadership experience in the retail, banking, education, technology, social service and health care fields. Participants will earn a badge in Project Management Level 1 and a certificate of completion; 2 CEUs and 20 contact hours are available. The course fee is \$595 per person. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available to those who live or work in Knox or Waldo Counties. Early registration is recommended as spots are limited. More information is available on the Hutchinson Center [website](#). To request a reasonable accommodation, contact Michelle Patten, 207.338.8002; um.fhc.pd@maine.edu.

UMaine Medicine launches second spring seminar series

05 Mar 2021

The University of Maine Institute of Medicine has announced its second spring seminar series, with Zoom events scheduled 3–4 p.m. on Fridays from March 12–April 16. All events are free, but registration is required. The series kicks off March 12 with “In vivo physiology of kidney development detected with genetically encoded biosensors,” presented by Ian Drummond, professor and director of the Kathryn W. Davis Center for Regenerative Biology and Aging at MDI Biological Laboratory. Registration can be done by visiting the institute's seminars [webpage](#). The series also includes:

- “LOTR-1: The Fellowship of LOTUS and Tudor Domains in *C. elegans* Germ Granules” on March 19.
- “Soft tissue in-growth into 3D printed porous” on March 26.
- “Pathways to commercialization of medical products” on April 16.

Graduate students who attend the most webinars during both series this spring will have the chance to enter a drawing to win an iPad. Participants can also earn a one-hour CME credit for each seminar they attend, offered by UMaine Medicine and Northern Light Eastern Maine Medical Center. For more information or to request a reasonable accommodation, contact Cecile Ferguson, 207.581.3026; cecile.ferguson@maine.edu.

Lindley's vegetable gardening for beginners talk advanced by BDN

05 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) advanced a Zoom talk from Viña Lindley, a food systems and youth development professional with University of Maine Cooperative Extension, about vegetable gardening for beginners hosted by the Belfast Garden Club noon–1 p.m. March 16. Register for the session [online](#).

Portsmouth Herald highlights assistance with Sanford Community Garden

05 Mar 2021

The [Portsmouth Herald](#) noted the assistance from University of Maine Cooperative Extension's Master Gardener Volunteers with the Sanford-Springvale Mousam Trust's Sanford Community Garden in an article about them accepting applications for growers eager to use the garden in the 2021 gardening season.

BDN notes UMaine as benefactor of remote learning, telehealth services grant

05 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) noted that the University of Maine will benefit from a \$3.6 million grant to “expand access to remote learning and telehealth services for rural Mainers.” The University of Maine System was one of four educational organizations to receive the joint grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and will invest its \$1 million from it “to install interactive teleconferencing equipment in 42 communities across the state.” “A total of 26 classrooms at various UMaine campuses will receive web conferencing equipment for remote students to use,” according to the BDN. “The university’s nursing program will also get two telemedicine equipment and remote patient monitoring systems for student training.”

Kennebec Journal: Commission with UMaine members predicts ‘normal to below-normal spring flooding’

05 Mar 2021

The [Kennebec Journal](#) reported that the Maine River Flow Advisory Commission, whose membership includes representatives from the University of Maine, “predicted a normal to below-normal risk of spring flooding, with the possibility of drought.” The [Portland Press Herald](#) and the [Sun Journal](#) shared the article.

BDN advances ‘Signs of the Seasons’ training

05 Mar 2021

The [Bangor Daily News](#) advanced four free “[Signs of the Seasons](#)” training options for volunteer citizen scientists across the state hosted by University of Maine Cooperative Extension and Maine Sea Grant. Register and find full details on the [program website](#).

NSF CAREER award supports Schwartz’s research on the chemical process for making rubber component

05 Mar 2021

Delving deeper into the chemical processes used to make various goods from biomass can help manufacturers use them with greater efficiency, and therefore, increase production. Thomas Schwartz aims to unravel the inner workings of a common method for crafting a compound for rubber known as butadiene, an effort backed by the National Science Foundation. The assistant professor of chemical engineering at the University of Maine received a \$513,995 NSF CAREER Award to advance his ongoing dissection of the Lebedev process. The well-known, multi-step chemical reaction is used to make butadiene from biomass-derived ethanol. However, little research has been conducted on the Lebedev process at the molecular level. Understanding the intricacies of the process would help researchers create new catalysts, which are necessary for the chemical reactions to make goods from both petroleum and biomass, that would increase butadiene yield. The emergence of improved catalysts could help grow the development of biobased, renewable chemicals. “Synthetic rubber is used in all sorts of consumer products, from car tires to paper coatings. Our goal is to enable production of synthetic rubber from renewable resources,” Schwartz says. The new study builds on the previous research conducted by Schwartz and his UMaine Catalysis Group. He founded the group in 2015 to explore the intricacies of catalysts and the roles they play in chemical reactions used to make fuels and chemicals from carbon-based feedstocks. Hussein Abdulrazzaq, a former Ph.D. student from Schwartz’s lab who graduated last year, previously led a group of fellow scholars and researchers in a study into the first step of the Lebedev process: converting ethanol to acetaldehyde and ethylene using magnesia-silica as a catalyst. The team discovered the mechanism that converts ethanol to acetaldehyde and ethylene, becoming first researchers to pinpoint and report it for that catalyst. Schwartz’s latest study, funded by the NSF CAREER Award, will discern the chemical mechanism by which butadiene is produced from ethanol. The UMaine chemical engineer also aims to deduce the point in the reaction at which carbon-carbon bond formation occurs. According to him, “the literature is conflicted about the (carbon-carbon) coupling mechanism and nature of the requisite active sites, which we seek to clarify.” Testing the hypothesis will require Schwartz and his team to first identify the chemical steps in the Lebedev process that influence the production of butadiene by measuring rates of reaction using model magnesia-silica catalysts. Researchers must then use spectroscopy to characterize the model catalysts and determine the requirements for producing butadiene. The end result of this research will be a series of molecular-level descriptions of how the reactions occur on the industrial catalysts. These kinds of descriptions are important for designing next-generation Lebedev catalysts. “Our approach is to make careful measurements of reaction kinetics and use those to develop molecular-level insight into chemical reactions,” Schwartz says. Despite playing a crucial role in the Lebedev process, magnesia-silica is complex and produces small quantities of butadiene, a problem when trying to expand the market. Schwartz’s research will provide other scientists the information they need to create new catalysts that could be used for the process and produce more butadiene than magnesia-silica. The study also will help Schwartz and his colleagues create new course modules about biobased chemical production and catalytic reactor design for undergraduate students, and a biomass-to-chemicals module for high school students and the public. “An important part of the work we do is to not only to improve our understanding of chemical processes but also to educate the next generation of engineers and scientists who can continue this work in the future,” Schwartz says. Contact: Marcus Wolf, 207.581.3721; marcus.wolf@maine.edu

Cathcart receives 2021 Minerva Award

05 Mar 2021

Mary Cathcart, a senior policy associate at the University of Maine’s Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, has received the 2021 Minerva Award. The Minerva award is presented annually by [Maine NEW Leadership](#) to recognize a Maine woman who exemplifies the values of the program, including leadership for the betterment of Maine; a commitment to civil dialogue; and a passion for civic engagement. A long-time champion for education and for Maine’s women and children, Cathcart served in the State Legislature representing Clifton, Eddington, Orono and Veazie from 1988–1994, and as the Senator from then District 7, part of Penobscot County, from 1996–2004. In Augusta, Cathcart chaired numerous legislative committees and task forces, including the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs; the Blue Ribbon Commission on Postsecondary Educational Attainment; the Children’s Mental Health Oversight Committee; and the first Joint Select Committee on Research and Development, among others. She sponsored or co-sponsored legislation guiding state investment in research and development; expanding family and medical leave for employees; defining parental rights and responsibilities in cases of domestic violence; strengthening protection from abuse provisions in Maine law; and addressing stalking and reproductive rights. Beyond advocating for education in Augusta, Cathcart served on the New England Board of Higher Education for 15 years, including chairing the 48-member

Board of Delegates from six New England states, and was a founding member of the Maine Compact for Higher Education. She is currently the College-University Chair of the American Association of University Women of Maine State Board. Prior to her legislative service, Cathcart was a hotline volunteer for Spruce Run of Bangor, providing education, support and safety planning to victims of domestic violence or abuse. She was later employed as a community education coordinator with Spruce Run, which is now known as Partners for Peace. In this role, Cathcart continued her work to inform regional domestic violence initiatives, to develop and implement training for law enforcement, and to build safe and reliable support networks for survivors. Her activism influenced regional policy, contributing to the establishment of Rape Response Services of Bangor and the addition of a victim's services coordinator in the office of the district attorney in Penobscot and Piscataquis counties. From 2004–18, Cathcart has served as a senior policy associate at the University of Maine's Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, sustaining connections to legislative leaders in Augusta by developing the Distinguished Maine Policy Fellows program, serving on the planning committee for the Maine Development Foundation's Policy Leaders Academy and the University's Legislative Affairs Committee under former UMaine presidents Robert Kennedy and Paul Ferguson. In 2009, she co-founded Maine NEW Leadership, a non-partisan summer institute charged with energizing and empowering the next generation of Maine women to become effective civic and political leaders. Cathcart, who was named to the Maine Women's Hall of Fame in 2013, received UMaine's Maryann Hartman Award in 2006, the Merle Nelson Women Making a Difference Award from the Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community in 2011, and two awards in 2018 — the Mabel Sine Wadsworth Achievement Award from the Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center and a Doctor of Humane Letters degree from UMaine. The Minerva Award has traditionally been presented at the Women of Power reception, an annual celebration that brings together legislators, Maine NEW Leadership graduates and aspiring women leaders. Proceeds from the reception support the Maine NEW Leadership program, which is offered at no charge to participants. Janet Mills received the inaugural Minerva Award in 2018, in acknowledgment of her position as Maine's first female governor. Governor Mills' reflection on the Minerva Award and a congratulatory message to Cathcart is available [online](#). Due to the coronavirus pandemic, there will be no reception in 2021; the Minerva Award was presented virtually. The award presentation and an interview with Cathcart, conducted by the Director of Maine NEW Leadership, Amy Blackstone, is available on [YouTube](#). Recorded messages of congratulations from University of Maine System Chancellor [Dannel Malloy](#) and UMaine President [Joan Ferrini-Mundy](#) are also available for public viewing. Sponsors of the 2021 Minerva Awards are Hannaford Supermarkets, Bangor Savings Bank, Bernstein Shur, the Maine Education Association and the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. Donations to Maine NEW Leadership honoring Cathcart can be made [online](#). Contact: Joan Perkins, joan.perkins@maine.edu

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Math TA instruction

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FBRI news feature

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Oyster research news feature

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Students in a boat conducting oyster research

Walker Thomas

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Walker Thomas

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Swamp rose

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Hands holding two sea urchins

Roy brothers

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Roy brothers

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Fisherman holding a lobster

Wind blade mold

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Wind blade mold

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Hands holding a smartphone

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Elementary school aged children stand in a circle

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A view of Stevens Hall in winter

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EEDC building construction

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Soccer field

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Soccer field

Fogler Library roofline in winter

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Fogler Library roofline in winter

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Actors in soccer uniforms

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A woman works in UMaine's Advanced Manufacturing Center

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