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Female Pine Grosbeak



Common Redpoll

## Don Reimer's Report on Thomaston-Rockland's Christmas Bird Count Rare Open-Water Conditions May Account for This Year's Record Count

As part of the National Audubon Society's 113th Christmas Bird Count, the Thomaston-Rockland Count was conducted on December 22. The two dozen volunteer birders who canvassed the 15-mile count circle tallied 80 species and 8,571 individual birds, a record high species total for this count area. Three additional species were logged during the count week period.

Factors involving climate and weather patterns and the availability of food resources across entire regions influence the final results. Aided by volunteers' field efforts,



Cardinal



Mockingbird

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## DMR to Hold Meetings on Lobster Fishery

The Department of Marine Resources (DMR) will be holding public meetings around the state in January to discuss problems in the lobster fishing industry.

The DMR needs to get input on a recent report about the limited entry of new fishermen into the lobster and crab fisheries, but DMR Commissioner Pat Keliher also wants input on the 2012 lobster catch and how to address the problems that arose.

Lobsters shed earlier than usual in 2012, and the Canadian processing plants, which usually take them, were still busy processing Canadian lobsters. Unlike hard-shell lobsters, soft-shell lobsters have a short shelf life and must be processed within hours. Maine has a small number of processing plants.

As a result of the glut, Maine lobster fishermen were paid record low prices. Some dealers quit buying altogether. Discussions on better marketing by Maine and processing in-state are ongoing.

The DMR meetings will be held at the following locations:

- Monday, January 7, 2 p.m., Hahn Community Center, Friendship.
- Monday, January 7, 6 p.m., St. George Town Hall, Tenants Harbor.
- Wednesday, January 16, 11 a.m., Bucksport Town Office.
- Thursday, January 17, 11 a.m., Vinalhaven Town Office.
- Wednesday, January 23, 4 p.m., Bath City Hall Auditorium.
- Monday, January 28, 5 p.m., Bristol Town Hall.

For more information, call 624-6596. The report on limited entry is available at [www.maine.gov/dmr/GMRIReportRelease.htm](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/GMRIReportRelease.htm).

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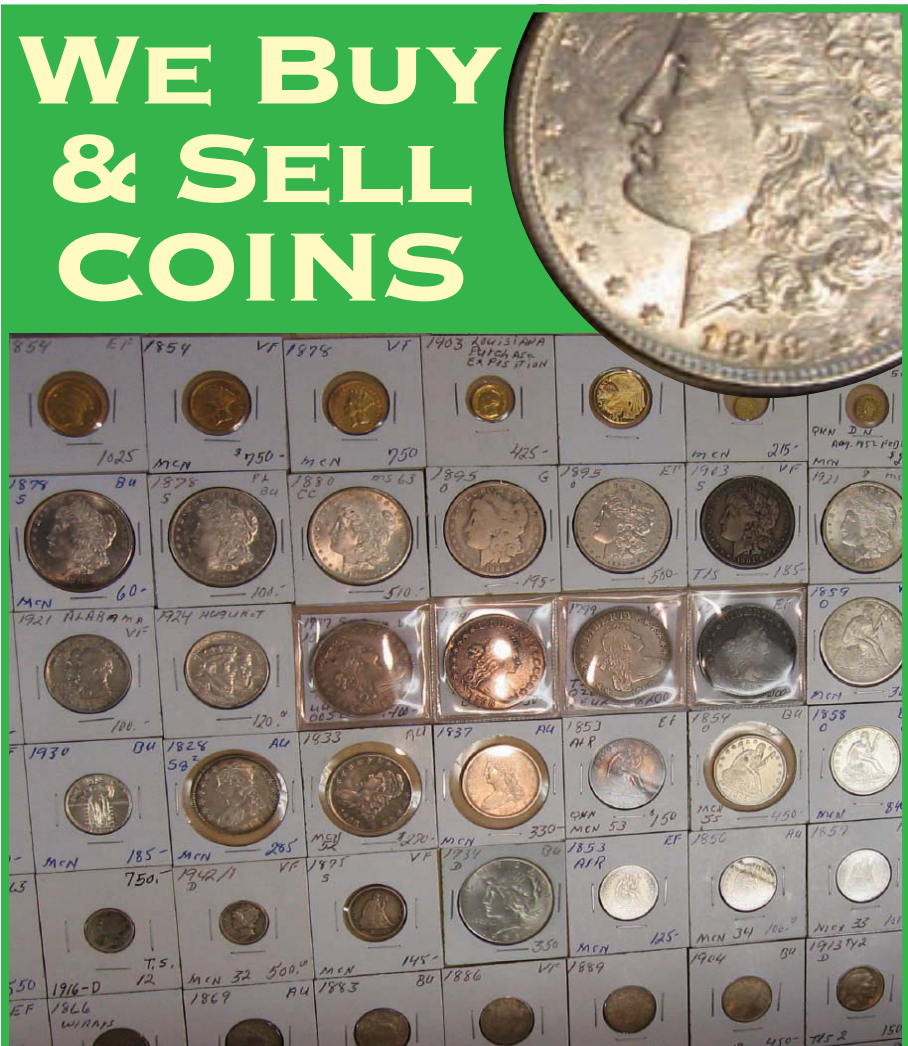
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## Joe Steinberger

### Growing Up in a Time of Decline

I claim no special talent for predicting the future, but I have to try. The ability to make an intelligent prediction of what the future will bring, and to plan for that future, is what has made us humans such successful animals.

With my life mostly behind me, predicting my own future is mostly actuarial. My plan is to fade away comfortably with what wit I can still muster and with the modest resources accumulated in my 68 years. Five years ago, though, with the help of my wife, I brought into this world a new life, my son Takuma. Helping him get a good start in life, which is to say providing for his education, has become my preoccupation.

Education is preparation. We choose what to learn according to our judgment of what is likely to be useful in the future. Since we are able to predict the future only in broad outline, our education should run deep enough that we will be equipped to adapt to such circumstances as we may encounter. That is the premise of a liberal education.

The idea is that education is about understanding the background of our civilization and acquiring the thinking skills to be wise and competent citizens. That idea, though, is being eclipsed by a very different idea: that education is about acquiring the credentials necessary to enter the middle class. This is not a new idea, but it is gaining importance as the middle class shrinks, income disparity increases, and more and more people are growing up with a legitimate fear of being left out.

A college degree is supposed to be the antidote, but since more and more people are getting college degrees, and there are fewer and fewer places in the middle class, it doesn't always work. Also, as the demand for college grows, and loans are widely available for tuition, the cost has been growing exponentially, so that pursuit of the college dream increasingly leads not to prosperity, but to penury.

Lately, the only reasonably secure route to a middle-class life has been to get a degree that meets a specific requirement for licensure in a restricted profession: to be a doctor or lawyer, a nurse, a public school teacher, a social worker, etc. In my lifetime, the percentage of Americans working in jobs that required licenses has increased six-fold, to around 30 percent, and the degree requirements for these licenses have been growing steeply. The motivation for this trend is not public demand for more restriction, rather it is that the haves wish to avoid competition from the have nots, and as they are well organized and have money at stake, they have the political clout to get their way.

This trend, coupled with the increasing concentration of corporate power — with a Walmart Corporation, for example, squeezing out what had been a hundred thousand small businesses — the American economy is increasingly a zero sum game, in which free enterprise is, for the great majority, restricted to the margins, and a small elite eats an ever larger share of the pie.

A continuing trend in this direction is, in my view, the future for which my son must be prepared. The question is, how can he best prepare?

Should he try to squeeze himself into that small self-protective elite? I am a lawyer and have been able, because of my license, to make my living as an independent practitioner. He could perhaps follow this path, but law school tuition has gone up astronomically (to over \$150,000 at the best schools, from \$6,000 in my day), and the profession is increasingly bureaucratic and lacking in the opportunity to do anything creative except in service to the well heeled. Goliath is stomping David pretty regularly these days. I see idealistic young people going into environmental law, for example, but in the end the only jobs they can get are with the big corporations, helping them to evade the environmental laws.

Takuma's mother offers a different example to follow. With modest capital resources, she started her own restaurant. It is a tough business. Big restaurant chains have for years been squeezing out small independents. Competition is intense, but also friendly, since the goal is not to do harm to the other restaurants, but to do well by one's customers. The example of his mother's hard work, of the camaraderie among her staff, of the respect she earns from her customers, of the friendly atmosphere she engenders, and of the fact that she is able to earn her living in this way, all suggest the possibility of being an independent creative force even in these difficult times.

My hope, in other words, is not that my son should claw his way to a sinecure among the licensed privilege holders, but that he find his way on his own wits, however marginal may be the space for that. Better to seek a path through the wilderness with the remnant of a free people, whatever the outcome, than to grow fat as a eunuch in the court of a decadent empire. A liberal education is a fine preparation for such an adventure, but a college degree is not required.

## The Fiscal Cliff Shenanigans: There's a Better Day a-Comin'

by Thomas McAdams Deford

Another sterling moment in the annals of American democracy, 21st-century style. The fiscal cliff was not a cliff, of course, just a metaphor — though if you add in the lemmings, it's not a bad description of how Congress leads us.

Oh sure, we elect Congress, so it's ultimately our fault. But the people we elect we once believed were in it for the good of the country; that 9% approval rating Congress ekes out — did I read somewhere the Mafia scores higher? — is a reflection that the American electorate has caught on to the fact that given a choice between bringing economic chaos on the country or getting re-elected, most Congressmen these days would choose re-election. "Give me liberty or give me death" — what a quaint notion, about as relevant to US political leadership today as that early Roman hero, Cincinnatus, who voluntarily gave up dictatorial powers to return to plowing his fields, is to today's Italy.

Senator Olympia Snowe, leaving the Senate because of her obvious frustration over its dysfunction and partisanship, recently described how Congress behaves: "It's governing by deferral, deadlines, and deadlocks. It might get there, but it's a painful process in the interim. And it won't be done well because we will not do it with the thoroughness and the deliberation that these issues require."

But the deeper reason for her leaving is surely that the Republican Party she's represented, first in the House and then in the Senate for the past 34 years, has changed almost beyond recognition. The country is so polarized these days as, the conventional wisdom has it, the Democrats have become more liberal and the Republicans more conservative. Not really. Democratic positions have pretty much stayed the same. It's the Republican move to the far right that has created the polarization. President Obama is every bit as practical and middle-of-the-road as President Clinton or earlier Republican presidents, be it in his aggressive use of drones in a foreign policy that is hard to distinguish from that of George W. Bush's second term or even his health care bill, which President Nixon would have supported.

The irony is that the federal debt that is the cause of so much right-wing Republican anguish is a direct result of Bush II's tax cuts, his two wars, and the financial collapse that climaxed his presidency. And, remember, Bush inherited years of budget surpluses under Clinton.

The Republicans have hoisted themselves on the petard of Grover Norquist's no-tax pledge even as they elevate to Mt. Rushmore status Ronald Reagan, who raised taxes over a dozen times and hyped conservative values but basically adopted centrist policies that would make him anathema to today's Tea Party members if they actually knew anything beyond the revisionist rhetoric about Reagan's presidency.

Yes, we'll eventually get there, preventing the sequestration, massive expense cuts that would doom our economy, but as Senator Snowe has said, "it won't be done well." Ditto — or as we used to say when we were children, an appropriate viewpoint from which to observe Congressional behavior — double ditto for the debt ceiling cliff looming even higher on the horizon.

Sorry for the doom and gloom — hardly what you want to celebrate the new year with. So what about that better day that's a-comin'?

Hang in there. The early good news is, according to the NY Times, the Tea Party came out of the November Congressional elections "significantly weakened." FreedomWorks, the main funding source for Tea Party candidates, "spent nearly \$40 million on the 2012 elections but backed a string of losing Senate candidates." In addition, "some Tea Party firebrands lost their House seats."

But substantially more important than the fact that the far-right Tea Party fringe has apparently peaked is that the Republican Party as a whole has peaked. In the presidential elections, blacks voted more than 90% for Obama, Hispanics more than 70% and even Asian-Americans sided solidly with the Democratic president. And look at where the US is heading: whether it's two decades down the road or sooner, white Americans will soon be in the minority.

In his new book, *The Revenge of Geography*, foreign affairs analyst Robert Kaplan has a unique take on our mixed-breed future. Citing ongoing Mexican immigration to the US — six of the US's 12 largest southern border towns are already more than 90% Hispanic and only two, San Diego and Yuma, are less than 50% — Kaplan foresees an America that "will actually emerge in the course of the 21st century as a Polynesian-cum-mestizo civilization." Not exactly the America our Founding Fathers envisioned when they were drafting our Constitution.

Virtually every observer agrees that Obama will be able to get his immigration bill passed because Republicans have realized — too little, too late — that alienating the Hispanic vote, and less directly the Asian vote, is a Republican death sentence. But it's unlikely any serious gun restrictions

will pass, despite the Newtown child massacre, as the NRA still holds enough Congressmen in thrall.

Aside from the reach of the lobbyists, perhaps the most overlooked problem in American democracy is our system of Congressional gerrymandering whereby state legislatures have the right to redraw district lines every 10 years. As a result, in the 20-year period since 1992, the number of swing districts, those that traditionally go back and forth between Republicans and Democrats, decreased by two-thirds from 103 to 35, and landslide districts, in which the winner had a greater than 10% lead over his rival, doubled to 242, or close to 60% of the 435 Congressional districts.

In an election in which, despite his overwhelming Electoral College victory, Obama won by less than 4% of the popular vote, these growing number of landslide districts well illustrate the partisan and dysfunctional twist of recent years. One encouraging sign, at least in a few states, is where public referenda have moved redistricting from the hands of the state legislature to bipartisan commissions.

Another serious game-changer of recent years has been the abuse of the filibuster to prevent bills getting passed. The outgoing Congress has been able to pass less than a third of the bills that Congress averaged in recent decades. Maine's newly elected Independent Senator Angus King has suggested that one way to deal with the filibuster problem is to force Congressmen to resort to the old-fashioned way of filibustering, holding the floor for endless hours of some form of speechifying rather than the current method of just stating they are in filibuster mode: "If they have to stand there and read the New York phone directory, it will be much more apparent to the public who is doing the blocking and what lengths they are going to."

But these are short-term fixes. The long-term fix will be the demise of today's aging, white male Republican party. "There's a better day a-comin'" predicted that grand old Negro spiritual. "Fare ye well, fare ye well." They had in mind a slightly different "better day" — that of our death and subsequent re-birth in heaven — than one that most of us would yearn for. Today's Republican Party, its demographic fate sealed, will also die. And when it's resurrected — here, God knows, not in heaven — it will be, one hopes, like that grand old party that Olympia Snowe, and many others of us, once knew and were happy to support.

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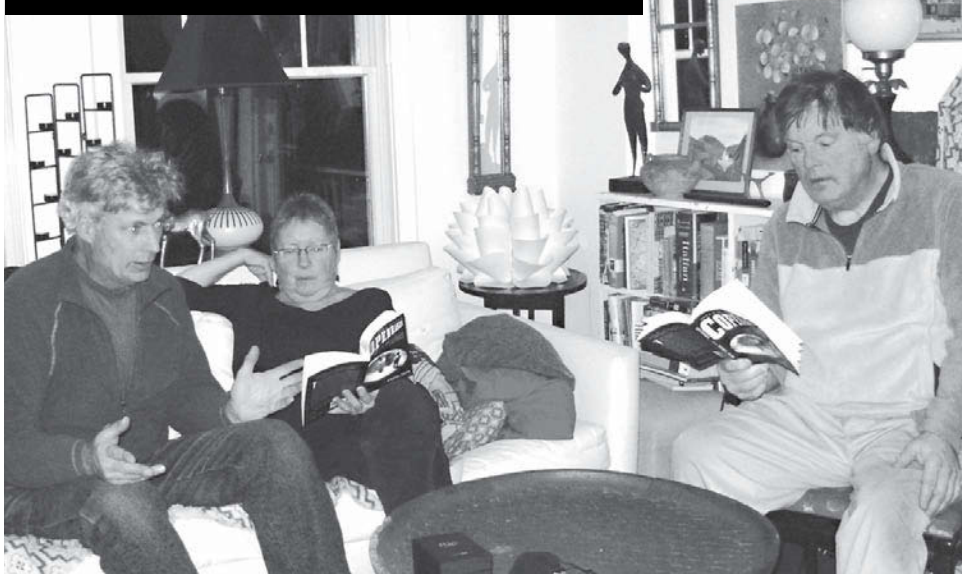
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Rehearsing Copenhagen (left to right): Peter Conant, Elisabeth Goodridge and Dean Jorgenson



## Staged Readings of Copenhagen in Belfast, Rockland & Rockport

The Camden Conference, as part of its Community Events series, will present a staged reading of Michael Frayn's play *Copenhagen* at three midcoast venues in January: on Thursday, January 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Jonathan Frost Gallery on Winter Street in Rockland; at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Belfast on Sunday, January 20, at 2 p.m.; and at the Center for Maine Contemporary Art in Rockport on Sunday, January 27, at 2 p.m. The readings are free and open to all.

The reading, offered in anticipation of February's Camden Conference, *The Middle East: What Next?*, examines the origins of today's nuclear dilemma in the Middle

East through a window on the scientific and moral dilemmas of the physicists whose discoveries led to the development of the atom bomb during World War II.

In the play, Frayn uses an imagined wartime conversation between Danish physicist Niels Bohr and German physicist Werner Heisenberg, who is working on the German nuclear program, to examine the moral responsibility of scientists in the nuclear age. The play will be read by local actors Dean Jorgenson, Peter Conant and Elisabeth Goodridge, directed by Eileen Wilkinson.

For more information, visit [www.camdenconference.org](http://www.camdenconference.org) or call 236-1034.

## Everyman Rep The Eight: Reindeer Monologues for Adult Audiences

Beginning Friday, January 4, the Everyman Repertory Theatre, midcoast Maine's professional theatre company, will present *The Eight: Reindeer Monologues* — a dark, dark Christmas comedy by Jeff Goode. The play, suitable only for adults, opens a window into the North Pole, where all is not well. Accusations of sexual harassment against St. Nick are placing The Eight — Santa's famed reindeer team — under the spotlight. Performances will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, January 4 and 5, and at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 6, at the Center for Maine Contemporary Art, 162 Russell Avenue in Rockport. The play, directed by David Troup and designed by Brandon Koons, has a cast that includes Paul and Jen Hodgson, Abby Norman, Ashley St. Pierre, David Troup and David Greenham, along with two out-of-state actors, Lou Carbonneau and Joseph Ritsch. Tickets are \$20 with advance reservations and \$25 at the door. For more information or to reserve a ticket, call the Everyman Repertory Theatre at 236-0173 or visit [www.everymanrep.org](http://www.everymanrep.org).



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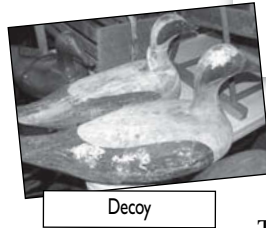
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U.S. Senator Susan Collins, along with Senator Joe Lieberman (ID-CT), John McCain (R-AZ) and Joe Manchin (D-WV) sent a letter last Thursday to Vice President Joseph Biden urging him to recommend the establishment of a National Commission on Violence when he submits the conclusions of his task force on gun violence to the president and Congress in January. The senators also transmitted a draft bill describing their proposal for such a commission.

The text of their letter is as follows:

Dear Mr. Vice President,

As you begin your important work heading a task force on the violence that has plagued American life in recent years, ranging from the senseless murders that occur on any given day to such unspeakable atrocities as occurred in Newtown, Connecticut, on December 14, 2012, we write to respectfully urge that you consider including in your recommendations the establishment of a National Commission on Violence.

Several of us first made this proposal in the wake of the mass shooting at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999, when we concluded our nation needs a fuller understanding of why so many of our young people are turning into killers and how to end this recurring nightmare. We believe that the root causes of this violence are complex and that responding to and preventing it will require a comprehensive approach that leaves no stone unturned.

For example, if we are to act in a comprehensive manner that strengthens the mental health care system, improves law enforcement, results in healthier and happier families, keeps guns out of the hands of those who would do ill with them, and addresses an entertainment culture that too often glorifies violence, it will be essential to build a consensus grounded in facts. The recommendations of a National Commission on Violence could provide the basis for such a consensus.

We have drafted a bill establishing a National Commission on Violence, which is attached to this letter. As you go about your work in the coming weeks, we respectfully urge you to consider this proposal and include it in your recommendations to the President and Congress next year.

Respectfully,  
 Joe Lieberman, US Senator  
 John McCain, US Senator  
 Joe Manchin, US Senator  
 Susan Collins, US Senator

from Governor LePage—

## New Year Message on Safety

The number of motor vehicle crashes, deaths, and related injuries occurring on our roadways continue to have a devastating toll on our citizens and visitors to our great state.

As of this past week, 163 people have died on Maine roads during 2012 and that is too many deaths, too many relatives, too many friends and too many Maine citizens. The safest driving occurs when drivers direct full attention to the road and their surroundings.

Most alarming is the number of young drivers killed as a result of distracted driving. Sadly, 14 teens have died on Maine roads during the past year. Twenty-seven fatalities involved 20- to 24-year-olds.

Unfortunately, too high of a percentage of all crashes are due to driver error. Last year, roughly 10 percent of vehicle fatalities were a result of distracted driving.

Law enforcement is serious about cracking down on distracted driving and texting while behind the wheel.

While no state bans cell phone use for all drivers, many prohibit use by young drivers. Thirty-two states, including Maine, ban cell phone use by novice drivers and texting while driving is illegal for all motorists in Maine.

I would also like to take a moment to talk about the importance of buckling up. Seatbelts save lives.

Each year, approximately 42,000 Americans die in traffic crashes and another three million are injured. Many of these deaths and injuries are preventable if the victims had been

wearing safety belts.

Fifty percent of young drivers in Maine who die in motor vehicle crashes did not buckle up.

It is important to protect our citizens. That is why I support the effort of the Maine State Police in stepping up enforcement of seatbelt violations, especially for young drivers.

In addition to this effort, law enforcement across our state will be looking to prevent drunk drivers from getting behind the wheel.

Federal money is helping pay for the Drive Sober Maine! campaign that started in December and will continue into the New Year.

Fifty-two Maine highway agencies, from Fort Fairfield to Kittery, will work overtime to patrol at places and times where drunk driving is most common.

Alcohol-related traffic deaths doubled in the first six months of 2012, with 32 OUI deaths compared to 15 deaths during the same period in 2011.

Whether it is drinking and driving or distracted driving — the consequences of either are too great. Lives are on the line and no life is worth losing.

As we head into 2013, it is my sincere wish that all Mainers enjoy the journey ahead of them.

Do not drink and drive and think twice about texting when behind the wheel. A safe driver is a responsible driver.

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## Sexual Assault Support Services Seeks Per Diem Volunteer Advocates

Sexual Assault Support Services of Midcoast Maine (SASSMM) is seeking per diem Volunteer Advocates for its 24-hour crisis and support line. Volunteer Advocates receive an hourly stipend for being on call and carrying a pager. The hourly stipend amount increases during a support line call, hospital accompaniment call, or police accompaniment call.

Experience in a social services field is desirable. Reliable transportation and a valid driver's license are required. Extensive training will be provided. The training is unpaid.


Those who are interested in learning more or who would like to schedule a pre-training screening interview are asked to call 594-8580 or 338-4622 or e-mail clientservices@sassmm.org.

## Rockland Church Offers Free Marriage Ceremonies to Same-Sex Couples

The board of trustees of the First Universalist Church in Rockland has voted to offer use of the church sanctuary (pictured at right) free of charge through June 2013 to same sex-couples for marriage ceremonies. Rev. Mark Glovin, minister of the church, will donate his services to same-sex couples planning to marry within the next six months. As one of the first churches in Maine certified by the Unitarian-Universalist Association as a Welcoming Congregation (1996), the First Universalist Church in Rockland has a history of supporting the inclusion and equality of lesbian, gay,




bisexual and transgender people within the congregation and within society. As of December 29, 2012, same-sex couples in Maine may apply for marriage licenses at the city or town clerk's office in the municipality where one or both live. For more information or to schedule a meeting with Rev. Glovin, call the church office at 594-8750.



*Thank You*

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by U.S. Senator Olympia Snowe—  
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As I conclude my nearly 40 years in elective office, I want to convey how thankful and blessed I feel to have had the opportunity to serve as your Senator.

It has been difficult to envision saying farewell, just as it was impossible to imagine I would one day become a Senator as I was growing up in Maine. But such is the miracle of America that a young girl of a Greek immigrant and a first-generation American, who was orphaned at the age of nine, could, in time, be elected to serve in the greatest deliberative body the world has ever known — and become the third-longest-serving woman in the history of the United States Congress.

I want to thank you, the people of Maine, for allowing me to be your voice, your vote, and your champion for 16 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, and for three terms in the United States Senate. One of the definitions of the word “trust” is “a charge or duty imposed in faith or confidence.” And to have had your trust, as you have placed your faith and confidence in me, is an honor of indescribable magnitude. Indeed, serving our magnificent state over the past 34 years in the halls of Congress has been the greatest privilege of my life.

When my legislative journey commenced in the Maine House of Representatives in 1973, I felt then — as I have throughout my tenure in office — that my role as a public servant, above all else, is to solve problems. It’s not about what’s in the best interests of a single political party, but what’s in the best interests of our country. As I prepare to conclude my service in elective office, I’m not leaving the Senate because I’ve ceased believing in its potential, or I no longer love the institution — but precisely because I do. I’m simply taking my commitment to the Senate in a different direction. I intend to work from the outside, to help build support for those in the institution who will be working to re-establish the Senate’s roots as a place of refuge from the passions of politics, as a forum where the polit-

ical fires are tempered, not stoked — as our Founding Fathers intended.

*My concern is that we are losing the art of legislating*

We’ve witnessed the heights the Senate is capable of reaching when it adheres to its founding precepts. Consider how we came together in the aftermath of 9-11, to secure our country and help heal our nation. Think about the major debates of the 20th century on such watershed issues as the establishment of Social Security, Medicare, or the Civil Rights Act. None of these profound advancements would be as woven into the fabric of our society today if they had been passed simply on party-line votes, rather than the solidly bipartisan basis on which each of them was enacted.

That’s not to say there was some kind of golden age of bipartisanship. And I’m not advocating bipartisanship as some kind of an end unto itself. What I am saying is that we have seen how cooperation in the past has resulted in great achievements, which likely never would have occurred if bipartisanship hadn’t intervened as a means to attaining those most worthy ends.

My concern is that we are losing the art of legislating — but it doesn’t have to be this way. When the history of this chapter in the Senate is written, we don’t want it to conclude it was here that it became an antiquated practice. So as I depart the Senate that I love, I have urged all of my colleagues to follow the Founding Fathers’ blueprint, in order to return the institution to its highest calling of governing through consensus. For it is only then that the United States Senate can ascend to fulfill the demands of our times, the promise of our nation, and the rightful expectations of the American people.

Again, I want to convey to you what an honor it has been, and will always be, to have served as your Senator. Thank you from the bottom of my heart — may God bless you all, and may God bless the United States of America.

**Reopening of Homeless Shelter Still Pending**

by Christine Parrish

Hospitality House, the homeless shelter on Old County Road in Rockport that closed in November, has not yet reopened.

Maine State Housing (MSH) spokesperson Deborah Turcotte mistakenly reported in December that MSH had legally acquired the shelter. Turcotte said Wednesday that MSH

ownership of the property was still pending.

The Knox County Homeless Coalition, New Hope for Women, and Penquis community action program are working together to organize interim management of the shelter, said Turcotte. She said a reopening date has not been determined.

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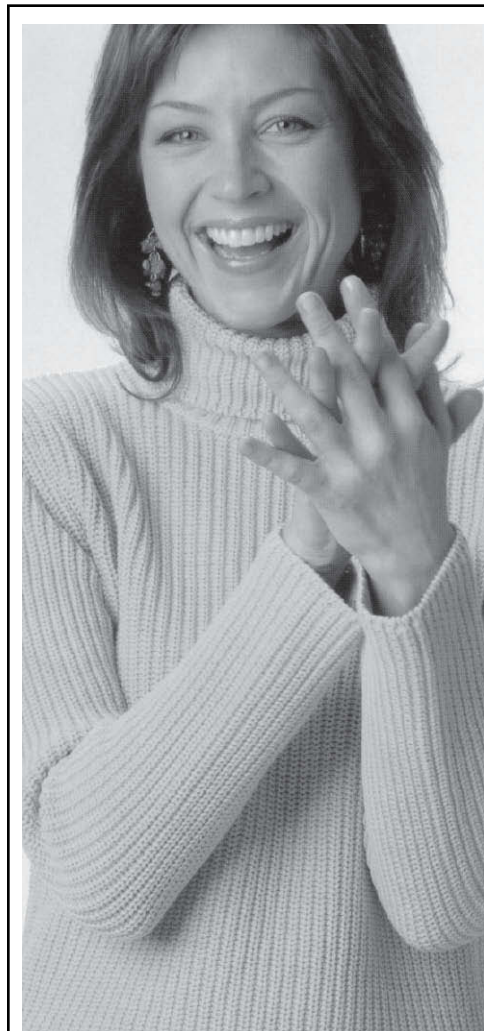
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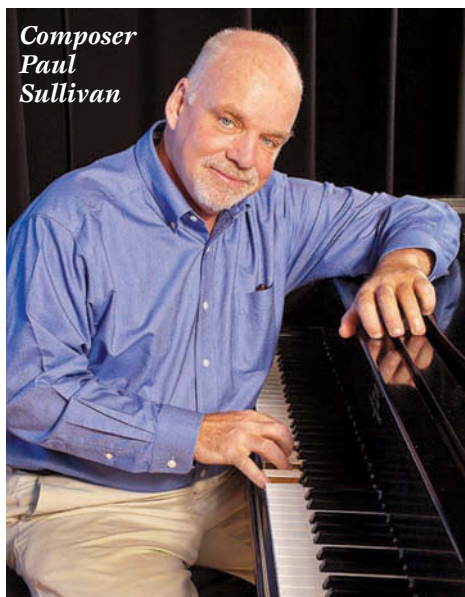


## Midcoast Community Chorus to Premiere Paul Sullivan Work

Midcoast Community Chorus (MCC) will perform the world premiere of "One Song at a Time," an original composition by Maine-based musician Paul Sullivan, at two venues. MCC will perform the work on Saturday, January 12, at 7 p.m. at Peakes Auditorium at Bangor High School, and on Sunday, January 13, at 4 p.m. at Strom Auditorium at Camden Hills Regional High School in Rockport. Sullivan, on piano, and gospel singer Theresa Thomason will join the chorus and accompanist Sean Fleming to weave a tapestry of gospel, spiritual, international and folk music. The new work was commissioned by MCC to embody the chorus's mission of singing "as a community for the community," emphasizing the positive impact that each individual can bring to the world.

Grammy Award winner Sullivan is a pianist, composer and member of the Paul Winter Consort, and his signature jazz style infuses "One Song at a Time." Thomason has been the featured soloist with the Paul Winter Consort for more than two decades.

MCC, led by founder and artistic director Mimi Bornstein, is a non-auditioned, multi-generational chorus with the credo "When we sing we change who we are, and when we



Composer  
Paul  
Sullivan

change who we are, we change the world ... one song at a time."

Tickets for the Bangor concert are \$15 general admission and available through [www.rivermusic.com](http://www.rivermusic.com). For the Rockport venue, \$15 general-admission tickets are available at HAV II in Camden, The Grasshopper Shop in Rockland and The Green Store in Belfast. Reserved seating (center orchestra \$30, side orchestra \$22) and credit-card sales are available at 975-0582 or [info@mccsings.org](mailto:info@mccsings.org). Snow dates are Saturday, January 19, for the Bangor concert, and Sunday, January 20, for the Rockport performance. For more information, visit [www.mccsings.org](http://www.mccsings.org).

## Belfast Flying Shoes Contra Dance Series Continues –

The Free Raisins are scheduled to play at the American Legion Hall Post #43, 143 Church Street in Belfast, on Friday, January 4. Chrissy Fowler of Belfast will be calling. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with a community dance led by Fowler, with music by the All-Comers Band, led by Tom Fowler, Phyllis Buchanan and Jennifer Armstrong. Simple dances will be taught, and all musicians are welcome to sit in. The main contra dance begins at 8 p.m. and runs to around 11 p.m. Admission for the community dance is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. For the main dance, the price is \$10 for anyone over 20, \$7 for ages 13 to 20, and \$4 for children. Anyone who brings a box fan for the windows gets a \$1 discount. For more information, call Chrissy at 338-0979 or visit [www.belfastflyingshoes.org](http://www.belfastflyingshoes.org).



## Zach Zaitlin & RatTail This Weekend at Rock City –

Rock City Cafe's Velvet Lounge presents Zach Zaitlin's piano and synth-based pop on Friday, January 4. On Saturday, January 5, the music will come from the Toronto-based pop trio Rat-Tail, shown here, with singer/guitarist Jasmyn Burke and her oddball counterparts Tim Fagan (bass) and Jesse Frank Matthews (drums). The music will play from 5 to 7 p.m. at 316 Main Street, Rockland. As usual there is no cover, but tipping the musicians is encouraged. Along with the live music, there's beer, wine and Rock City coffee. For more information, call 594-4123.

## Lunchtime Concert with Violin and Piano in Rockland January 9

Violinist Ronald Lantz and pianist Laura Kargul will perform a program of Romantic music in the library of the Farnsworth Art Museum at noon on Wednesday, January 9, as part of Bay Chamber Concerts' Music at Noon series. Admission to the 50-minute performance includes a light lunch and free entrance to the museum following the show. Tickets are \$25, \$20 for Farnsworth members. For tickets or more information, contact Bay Chamber at [www.baychamberconcerts.org](http://www.baychamberconcerts.org) or call 236-2823.

Wednesday's concert will feature the Sonata for Violin and Piano by Jacques de la Presle, a 1913 composition that exemplifies the French Romantic tradition. Lantz and Kargul established their duo in 2010.



Laura Kargul, piano,  
and Ronald Lantz, violin

Lantz, a founding member of the Portland String Quartet, has performed around the world and has served on the music faculties of a number of colleges, including the University of Southern Maine. Kargul, originally from Michigan, lives in Freeport and is a full professor at the University of Southern Maine School of Music.

## Poor Old Shine to Bring "Down-Home" Americana Music to Billy's Tavern on Jan. 4 –

Poor Old Shine will perform at Billy's Tavern, behind the business block in Thomaston, on Friday, January 4, starting at 8:30 p.m., joined by singer-songwriter-guitarist Jonah Tolchin, who was featured at the 2013 Newport Folk Festival. Cover charge is \$7. Poor Old Shine, based in Connecticut, includes Chris Freeman on banjo, Max Shakun (guitar, pump organ), Antonio Alcorn (mandolin), Harrison Goodale (bass) and Brian Conlon (washboard and "auxiliary percussion"). The band's music is rooted in the folk and Appalachian mountain music tradition, and each set mixes their original songs with folk ballads, prison work songs and front-porch-style jamming.



## Young Performers Invited to Open Mike Night at Thomaston Federated Church –

The Federated Church, 8 Hylar Street in Thomaston, will hold an Open Mike night for performers middle-school age through young adult, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 13, in the church fellowship room. Local songwriter and singer Patrick Chamberlin (left) will emcee, and free refreshments will be served. Interim Pastor Annette Mott says that the evening is designed to offer young people a chance to show off their talent and creativity in a fun, supportive atmosphere, and hopes to offer similar nights in the future as a gift to the community. For more information and/or to pre-register to perform on January 13, contact Mott at 737-9979 or Gail Robinson at 354-8117.

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by Britta Konau

**Andrew Wyeth's Drawings and Sketches at the Farnsworth**

First thoughts aren't usually the best ones. The relationship between preparatory studies and final works of art is one of great variance. The purpose of studies, from quickly dashed off outlines to finely graded drawings that are works of art in their own right, ranges from configuring a composition to being value studies and intricate records of close observation. And basically any material is serviceable, from the traditional to the innovative, from graphite, charcoal and watercolor to software and all manner of bits and pieces.



Andrew Wyeth, "Open House Study," 1979 watercolor and pencil © Andrew Wyeth

The Farnsworth Art Museum currently offers another opportunity to better understand how Andrew Wyeth (1917–2009) used preparatory studies for his tempera paintings. The exhibition Andrew Wyeth: Pencil Drawings and Watercolor Sketches suggests that in his case the correlation is exploratory and fragmentary.

The show assembles multiple graphite drawings and watercolors that relate to four paintings of which small reproductions are available in the gallery. In addition to the documentary purpose of sketching from observation, Wyeth stated, "To me, pencil drawing is a very emotional, very quick, very abrupt medium." He used varying pressure in his markmaking to indicate the "emotional impact with the objects" he felt. It is thus not surprising to find passages that are light and airy as well as some that are heavily laden with dark graphite. The sheets of paper used for these drawings also bear splatters and drips of watercolor as if those were a Wyeth trademark. "Watercolor perfectly expresses the free side of my nature," Wyeth is quoted on the museum's website.

Comparing the preparatory studies on view with the finished works, it becomes clear that Wyeth drew on a multitude of sketches with varying foci to combine aspects of different locations and models' multiple poses. In a drawing for "Chambered Nautilus" (1956) he explores the relationships between a window, a bedpost and a head by convincingly conjuring them out of empty space with just a few spare lines connecting them. This sheet is a marvel of opposites — of intense focus of attention and sublime disregard.

It took Wyeth months and sometimes years to complete the process from first sketches to finished painting. Over time, he pared down and starkly simplified. The studies for "On the Edge" (2001) reveal how important Wyeth considered the rocky edge behind the solitary figure's head, where the elements of nature intersect with humanity. The studies for "Maidenhair" (1974), which is the only painting for which this show supplies studies that is hanging in a nearby gallery,

illuminate Wyeth's process of elimination particularly clearly. His studies are surprisingly loose and partial, especially the two watercolors of the interior of the Old German Lutheran Church, which is now located in Waldoboro. One reveals that the composition originally contained several figures in addition to the lone maiden of the final work. In the other, architecture is constructed with ruler and pencil over washes of watercolor. This starkly geometric approach is reflected in the final painting, in which recession into space seems almost more important than the figure, the geometry of architecture more important than the nature just outside the window. In a way, the arrested motion and tightness of Wyeth's paintings appear diametrically opposed to the liveliness and freedom of his watercolors and drawings, but apparently he needed to work through one to arrive at the other.

Wyeth's painting with tempera is partially responsible for the crispness of his images. It is an unforgiving medium that does not mix and tends toward dryness. It is therefore refreshing to see Wyeth at work, skillfully executing both loose washes and intensely detailed graphite studies. His focus is on emotional content, spatial arrangement, and on light catching objects, making them appear three-dimensional. This exhibition illuminates the artistic process of selection, elimination, and emphasis. It demonstrates how every work of art is a construction, the result of a long process of making choices, even if it may appear to be nothing but the truth, which is the reality the artist wants to share. Only on rare occasions does the first thought turn out to have been the best one after all.

*Andrew Wyeth: Pencil Drawings and Watercolor Sketches is on view through April 7, 2013, at the Farnsworth Art Museum, 16 Museum Street, Rockland, 596-6457, www.farnsworthmuseum.org.*

art current is a biweekly column written by Britta Konau. She can be reached at curatorbk@gmail.com.

**Paintings of Southwest Indian Culture at Gibbs Library in Washington —**

Gibbs Library in Washington will host a show of paintings of Native Americans of the Southwest by Henry C. Toll from January 9 through March 6, with an opening reception at the library on Saturday, January 12, from 4 to 6 p.m. Toll, who is the father of Madelon Kelly, the librarian at Gibbs, worked in New Mexico as an architect for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and later the Department of Housing and Urban Development, designing housing and health centers on reservations along the Rio Grande River and on the Hopi and Zuni reservations. He was invited to attend a wide variety of ceremonial dances. At the dances, he never took photographs or made sketches, as such activities would have been disrespectful; instead, he memorized the costumes and choreography and later made paintings. Believing he should not profit from Native American culture, Toll never sold his works.



**ART ON THE COAST**

**Black, White, Gray Exhibition Now at River Arts**

The exhibition Black, White, Gray is now showing at River Arts' newly expanded and refurbished gallery and arts center, 241 Route 1 in Damariscotta, next to N.C. Hunt Lumber. The show runs through January 25 and includes more than 120 works created by over 60 artists.

Juror for Black, White, Gray is Robert Colburn, curator and manager of the Bayview Galleries in Brunswick and Camden. In addition to his career at Bayview Galleries, he remains active as a painter.

River Arts holds approximately 10 juried shows each year, which are open to all Maine artists. For information about the classes, exhibits and events at River Arts, visit www.riverartsme.org or call 563-1507.



**Texting Girl Goes to College —**

A sculpture by Carole Whelan of Hope has been installed at Simmons College in Boston. Formed from stainless steel wire, it stands 5 feet, 3 inches tall and was inspired by Whelan's granddaughters. The title of the sculpture, "yrmymthumsor@teotd?404," is readily understood by most young people, but for non-texters it translates to: "Question, Why are my thumbs sore at the end of the day? I have no clue." Texting Girl has her own Facebook page at Texting Girls United. The image here is a photo-composite of the front and back views of the sculpture.

**Art Show Opening, Wine Tasting at Rising Tide Market—**



Rising Tide Community Market, 323 Main Street in Damariscotta, will hold an opening reception for an art show featuring local painter Marlene Barter on Friday, January 4, from 4 to 6 p.m., together with a free wine tasting for those 21 and up in the market's café. The art show will run through Saturday, January 26. For more information, call 563-5556.

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## Cellardoor Winery to Host Art Collector Maine Dinner



"Sunset Still Life" by Stephanie Bartron-Miscione

Cellardoor Winery will present its second Art Collector Maine Dinner on Saturday, January 5, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lincolnville winery's new farmhouse space, featuring the paintings of Stephanie Bartron-Miscione and the cuisine of chef Mitchell Kaldrovich of Sea Glass at Inn by the Sea in Cape Elizabeth. Tickets are \$100 per person including wines; seating is limited and advance purchase is required. To reserve seats, call 763-4478.

Bartron-Miscione's still lifes, in a variety of mediums including graphite, gouache and pastel, often depict the shells, sea life, plants and flotsam that she finds on beach walks near her Deer Isle home.

Kaldrovich will prepare a four-course dinner designed to complement Bartron-Miscione's art, including seafood ceviche, butter-poached lobster, hazelnut-crusted scallops, red wine-braised short ribs and baked apple crostata.

Cellardoor will present a selection of its wines to accompany each course.

To view the entire menu, visit [mainewine.com/events/art-collector-maine-series](http://mainewine.com/events/art-collector-maine-series).

## Three Exhibitions to Conclude Yearlong Artist/Farmer Project



Linoleum block print by Scott Minzy, inspired by Long Meadow Farm in West Gardiner

CSA: Community Supporting Arts, a yearlong project partnering artists and farmers, will conclude with three art exhibitions in Belfast and Brunswick, all free and open to the public.

The two Belfast exhibitions will open simultaneously on Friday, January 4, from 5 to 8 p.m., at Maine Farmland Trust Gallery, 97 Main Street, and the UMaine Hutchinson Center, 80 Belmont Avenue; both shows will be on view through Wednesday, February 27.

The Brunswick exhibit will open on Friday, January 11, from 5 to 8 p.m., at Frontier, located in the Fort Andross Mill at 14 Maine Street; the Frontier exhibition will be on view through Sunday, February 24.

The goal of CSA: Community Supporting Arts is to promote local art and local food. The project was organized by the Harlow Gallery in Hallowell, which matched 14 artists with 13 CSA (community-supported agriculture) farms in central Maine. Through the 2012 growing season, the artists visited the farms and created art inspired by the farmers' lives, work, landscapes, challenges and ideals.

The 14 participating artists are Kate Barnes of Oakland, Susan Bickford of Newcastle, Aleana Chaplin of Gardiner, Kim Christensen of Albion, Matt Demers of Gardiner, Kerstin Engman of Liberty, Tyler Gulden of Walpole, Christine Higgins of Readfield, Kelsey Kobik of Portland, Scott Minzy of Pittston, Maina Handmaker of Brunswick, Petrea Noyes of Lincolnville, Jamie Ribisi-Brale of Manchester and Emily Trenholm of Portland.

The 13 CSA farms are Annabessacook Farm in Winthrop, Crescent Run Farm in Bremen, Dig Deep Farm in Dresden, Fresh Start Farms in Lisbon, Goranson Farm

in Dresden, Grassland Organic Farm in Skowhegan, Long Meadow Farm in West Gardiner, Milkweed Farm in Brunswick, Morning Dew Farm in Newcastle, SNAFU Acres Farm in Monmouth, Treble Ridge Farm in Whitefield, Wholesome Holmstead in Winthrop and Winterberry Farm in Belgrade.

There are two other ongoing Community Supporting Arts exhibits — at Crosstrax Deli, 215 Depot Street in Unity, through Saturday, January 26; and in Damariscotta at Savory Maine Dining and Provisions, 11 Water Street, through Tuesday, February 5. The exhibition series began at the Harlow Gallery in Hallowell this past October, followed by exhibitions at Common Street Arts in Waterville and Sheepscot General in Whitefield.

For information on the artists, farms and project, visit [www.harlowgallery.org](http://www.harlowgallery.org) and the project blog site, [csaart.org](http://csaart.org); for information on the Kennebec Local Food Initiative, visit [www.klfi.org](http://www.klfi.org).



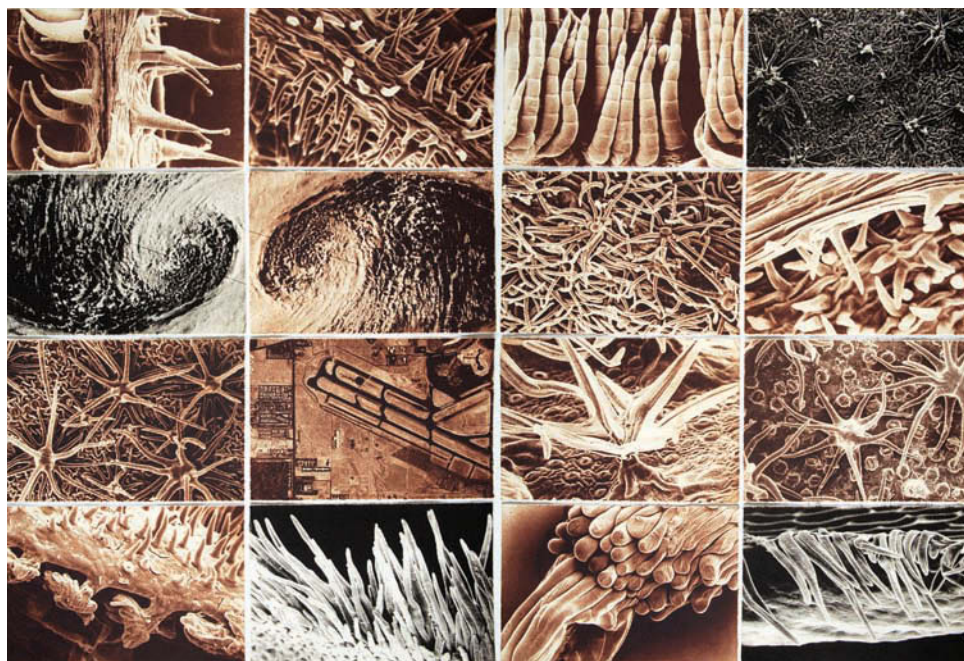
Ceramic artist Tyler Gulden at Morning Dew Farm in Newcastle  
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## CMCA's Winter Exhibition at Portland Library Opens January 4

The Center for Maine Contemporary Art will again sponsor a winter exhibition at the Lewis Gallery in the Portland Public Library, 5 Monument Square. The exhibition, titled Prints: Breaking Boundaries, is curated by CMCA curator emeritus Bruce Brown and will run from January 4 through February 23.

It features the work of 35 Maine artists who use new techniques and materials to expand the definition of fine art printmaking, which in the past has traditionally been lim-

ited to editions of etchings, engravings, silkscreens, woodcuts, and lithographs printed on archival paper. Traditional processes increasingly are giving way to one-of-a-kind prints on a variety of surfaces. Contemporary prints can include drawing, painting, monotype printing, encaustic, and digital manipulation, as well as multiple layers of collaged, stitched or folded paper and even added objects for a 3-D or sculptural effect.



"Invasive Species II," panel 1 of 2, photopolymer intaglio-type by Susan Groce of Port Clyde

Participating artists include Karen Adrienne, Judith Allen-Efstathiou, Debra Arter, Will Barnet, Holly Berry, Shawn Brewer, Martha Briana, Kyle Bryant, Sam Cady, Harold Garde, Tanner Gasco-Wiggin, Crystal Cawley, Corliss Chastain, Nancy R. Davison, Kristin Fitzpatrick, Susan Groce, Tom Hall, Meg Brown Payson, Frances Hodsdon, Rebecca Goodale, Elizabeth Jabar, Cindy McGuirl, David Twiss, Daniel Minter, Lin Lisberger, Damir Porobic, Kris Sader, Delphine Sherin, Sarah Vosmus, Adrienne Herman, Andrea Sulzer, Barbra Whitten, Ellen Roberts and Henry Wolyniec.

The exhibition will open with an artists' reception during Portland's First Friday Art Walk, January 4, from 5 to 8 p.m.

On Saturday, January 19, there will be a panel discussion, titled "The Changing Nature of Printmaking Today," at 2 p.m. in the library's Rines Auditorium.

Admission to the exhibition and events is free. For more information, visit CMCA's website at [cmcanow.org](http://cmcanow.org).



"Roasted Butternut Squash Soup — Garden Ingredients Charm Necklace," original linoleum block print images with acrylic and mixed materials by Holly Berry of Waldoboro



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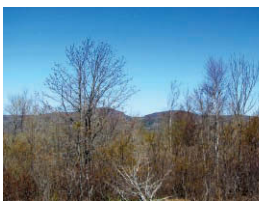
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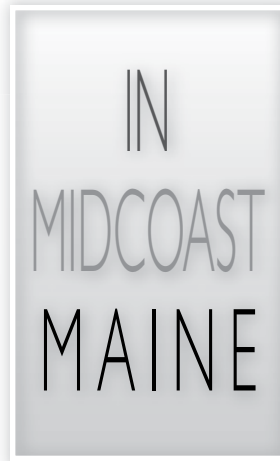
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## January Language Programs at Penobscot School Include Open House

Penobscot School, 28 Gay Street in Rockland, will present special programs and introduce new foreign language instructors in January.

A Russian New Year Party will be held on Sunday, January 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. Slavophiles and all levels of Russian speakers are invited for a potluck meal and holiday traditions, including a craft activity for children, with hostesses Julianna Gerrity, Eva Taran and Ericka Willard. Gerrity grew up in the Caucasus Mountains region; Taran was raised in Estonia; and Willard, a German-Russian, has lived around the world, including in Kazakhstan, Estonia and Kaliningrad.

The school will hold an Open House from 5 to 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 12, and the public is invited to meet the 19 members of the faculty who will be teaching courses in seven languages in the spring semester, which begins on January 28. New faculty mem-

bers include Jenny Tung and Maria Trujillo Lochner. Tung, originally from Taiwan, will be offering Mandarin Chinese. Lochner, a native of Colombia, has been assisting at the school's weekly *Almuerzo* lunch and will lead the advanced Spanish class in the spring term.

New Italian instructor Eleonora Mella will introduce her native region and herself with "Take a Peek at My Veneto" on Saturday, January 19, from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., a combined slide travelogue and pasta *pranzo* (luncheon). Fee is \$25, all levels are welcome.

Penobscot School, which provides a range of resources for exploring and practicing foreign languages, will be celebrating its 26th year in 2013. For more information, contact Patti at 594-1084, or visit [www.penobscot.us](http://www.penobscot.us).



Left: Eleonora Mella, the new Italian teacher at Penobscot School. Above right: Jenny Tung, the new Mandarin Chinese teacher

## New Website Launched for Georges River Tidewater Association

The Georges River Tidewater Association (GRTA) officially launched its new website, [www.georgesrivertidewater.org](http://www.georgesrivertidewater.org), on January 1, aided by grant funding provided by the Maine Coastal Program. GRTA, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary, has the mission of protecting and restoring the St. George River estuary through advocacy, public education and water quality monitoring.

The site features information about GRTA's citizen water-quality monitoring program, how to become a volunteer or member, news and a photo gallery of the St. George River estuary. An interactive map, State of the River report and index documenting the estuary's health will be added later.

GRTA Chair Mike Dunn says, "This is the first time GRTA has been able to offer the community information about the St. George River estuary in a truly user-friendly way... GRTA's water quality monitoring program is gathering the data necessary to improve and protect the health of the clamming harvests along the St. George River. Our new website will be a useful tool for the organization to share information and data with partnering organizations throughout coastal Maine and aid us in our goal to work to identify solutions to protect the estuary's ecology."

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### Icefishing in Maine Subject of Feature-Length Film in Thomaston January 11 –

The Maine-made icefishing documentary "Hardwater" will be shown at The Highlands Coffee House, 189 Main Street in Thomaston, on Friday, January 11, at 7 p.m., free and open to the public. "Hardwater," directed by Ryan Brod and Daniel Sites, pays homage to Maine's tribal, often misunderstood icefishing subculture, a tradition that brings people together during the harshest of seasons. This is the second in the winter film series It's a Wild Life, a collaboration between the Georges River Land Trust and The Highlands in which films celebrating the ways people live on the land and water in Maine will be screened at the coffee house at 7 p.m. on the second Friday of each month. For more information, visit [www.georgesriver.org](http://www.georgesriver.org) or call 594-5166.

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### Christine's All-Weather FIELD NOTEBOOK

12/28/12

Taking a break from the desk, I walked across the street to the waterfront and out on a deserted pier. The tide was low, with the golden winter sun shining off the breakwater. About 20 eider ducks were swimming in the flat calm water close to shore, occasionally diving for mussels, starfish and other crunchy seafood they could find near the bottom. Eiders eat the shellfish whole, leaving it up to their capable gizzards to crush the shell.

Large adult males, in their easily identifiable black and white plumage, were preening and flapping their black wings around the reddish-brown females. One immature male, a teenager in mixed brindled plumage who hadn't grown into his adult feathers yet, seemed a bit of an outcast.

Two of the males, known as drakes, were vying for the attention of one female. This early in the season, they are in the business of routine courtship, a pair-bonding process similar to getting to know the girl next door. The drakes flapped and stretched their necks forward, not chasing each other, merely posturing, and gently herding the female.

Once the insulation of choice, eiderdown has largely been replaced with synthetics, but hunters with deep pockets still come to hunt sea ducks in Penobscot Bay and further down east. Guides with boats place eider duck decoys in shallow deserted coves, then drop hunters on barnacled ledges in winter to wait for a shot. The season ends January 31.

Christine Parrish is in training to be a Maine Master Naturalist.

### ROCKLAND AREA TIDES January 3 to January 10

	High AM	High PM	Low AM	Low PM
Thursday	2:19	2:36	8:25	8:49
Friday	3:06	3:27	9:16	9:38
Saturday	3:58	4:25	10:14	10:33
Sunday	4:55	5:28	11:16	11:34
Monday	5:56	6:34	---	12:21
Tuesday	6:58	7:39	12:38	1:26
Wednesday	8:00	8:40	1:41	2:27
Thursday	8:59	9:38	2:41	3:24

I am a great fan of evolution. What's not to like? Take an organism, give it the ability to reproduce and a very long time span in which to do so. Lo and behold, the resulting creature will be superbly adapted to the specific environment in which it lives. Pretty nifty!

So what happens when humankind, itself a robust example of the benefits of evolution, manipulates the environment in which an organism lives? Specifically, in this case, the Gulf of Maine?

University of Maine marine biologist Bob Steneck presented a paper co-authored with professor Rick Wahle entitled "Lobster Dynamics in a Brave New Ocean" at a lobster symposium in Portland in November. The paper, whose title plays with the name of Aldous Huxley's utopian novel *Brave New World*, focused on the impact that a warming Gulf of Maine presents to *Homarus americanus*, our native lobster.

Once upon a time, when the North Atlantic Ocean was young, many marine species found here were immigrants from the North Pacific Ocean. How they made that migration is a long and complex tale, but the point of the story is that only some of those Pacific species arrived successfully. Sea lions, for example, did not. Those fish and crustaceans that did make their way here thrived. Because the waters of the North Atlantic and Gulf of Maine remained so cold, the region's biological diversity was limited. Yet for those creatures who liked cold water temperatures, the Gulf of Maine was the land of milk and honey. Atlantic cod, haddock and other groundfish grew to immense size and abundance in the cold, nutrient-rich water.

Think of it: big, bruiser cod and other groundfish cruising the Gulf like great battalions of hungry linebackers, always looking for food. *Homarus americanus* evolved in the North Atlantic under intense predation from these larger fish. Because of this, female lobsters began to carry their eggs on their abdomen for a long time, giving the eggs time to grow in size. Those eggs then hatched into relatively large larvae that could swim. Once hatched, those larvae quickly reach a stage of development at which they could select a place on the seafloor to hide and grow to maturity. As a result, lobster larvae have a remarkably high per-capita survival rate. Lobsters large and small would quickly become the lunch of a hungry cod if they hadn't developed these successful adaptations.

Enter groundfishing. It took 400 years, but industrious New England fishermen managed to fish down Gulf of Maine groundfish stocks to a level at which the ecology of the Gulf shifted. As groundfish stocks shrank during the last three decades due to overfishing, predation from those big

groundfish on the Gulf's lobsters also decreased sharply.

Meanwhile, lobstering became the predominant Maine fishery. And what do lobstermen do? They feed lobsters. Year-round, Maine lobstermen provide an unceasing supply of desirable food, namely bait, to Gulf of Maine lobsters. In fact, since the mid-1990s, the number of lobster traps in Maine waters has increased sharply, adding more food to the lobsters' diet. Thus, the absolute number of lobsters has burgeoned.

Then there's global warming and its effect on the Gulf of Maine. Gulf water temperatures have been rising gradually since at least the 1870s. The increase has been more pronounced in the past decade or so, jumping by 2 to 5 degrees F, depending on ocean depth. Lobster larvae like modestly

warm water, at least greater than 53° F (12° C), in order to settle on the seafloor. So as the Gulf grows warmer, lobster larvae are finding more and more places to settle, at depths previously too cold to be suitable. First the lobster predators disappear (due to overfishing), then more areas of the Gulf become suitable nursery habitats (due to warming water). No wonder the lobster population is at historic highs!

But a warmer Gulf of Maine isn't entirely a good thing for lobsters, Steneck said. As the ocean continually absorbs more and more carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, it becomes more acidic. An acidic ocean is bad news for a creature with a calcium-based skeleton, such as that worn by lobsters, clams and crabs. Lobsters are increasingly stressed physically by their own natural environment.

Shell disease also can be tied to warmer water. The pathogens that cause shell disease (an unsightly illness that eats away at lobster shells) have always been found on lobsters. The unusually warm water temperatures in southern New England in the late 1990s likely triggered that area's devastating outbreak and increased the virulence of the disease.

Maine fishermen and the communities that depend on them have adapted logically to the changed circumstances in which they have found themselves in recent decades. Groundfishing is a shadow of what it was two decades ago. The ability to go scalloping within state waters has been restricted; the shrimp season this year is nearly nonexistent; sea urchins are a boom-and-bust situation; clamming success varies with the presence of red tide or predatory green crabs. As more and more fisheries became more and more restricted, Maine fishermen moved into a fishery that appeared to be thriving. But the very water in which those lobsters live is now changing. Anything can happen as temperatures shift. Could the coast of Maine, now so dependent on lobstering for its economic life, adapt successfully to a sharp decline in lobster abundance?

### Change and Change Again

## MARINE MATTERS

by Melissa Waterman

## Winter Activities at Hidden Valley Nature Center

Winter activities for families are available at Hidden Valley Nature Center in Jefferson. The center's 1,000 acres contain 25 miles of trails that can be traveled by foot, cross-country skis or snowshoes. Snowshoes are available to rent by prior arrangement.

A guided snowshoe tour will be led by a knowledgeable staff member or volunteer from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday in January (3, 10, 17, 24 and 31), exploring a different trail each time; suggested donation is \$5.

Sunday lunches will be available for purchase at HI Hut, a warming hut, at which the Alna Store will provide food for the first three weeks of January, to be followed by Treats, Fernald's and Atomic Proof Bakery.

## Deer Harvest Up 11.5% in 2012

Deer hunters had a successful year in Maine, with wildlife biologists estimating that 21,000 deer were killed during the 2012 Maine hunting season, according to the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW).

There were 34,000 Any Deer permits, commonly referred to as doe permits, issued by the state in 2012.

MDIFW biologists will not have an official tally for the 2012 season until February, but the current estimate represents at least an 11.5 percent increase from 2011, when 18,839 deer were tagged.

Last year's mild winter led to increased survival of young deer that were yearlings in the 2012 hunting season and led to a higher kill rate, according to MDIFW Biologist Lee Kantar.

Kantar said a conservative number of Any Deer permits were issued in 2012 to allow for healthier deer herds to grow in some parts of the state.

To determine the number of deer taken during hunting season, biologists visited meat cutters, registration stations, hunting camps and hunter residences to get a firsthand look at harvested deer and collect measurements on weight, age, antler dimensions and lactation.

To obtain the final numbers, biologists review registration books they receive from hundreds of stores across the state.

A free Kids' X-Country Ski Clinic will be held on Saturday, January 5, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Five additional classes will be held on subsequent Saturdays. For details, contact Kristin or Eoin at [kmohrstone@yahoo.com](mailto:kmohrstone@yahoo.com) or 549-5674.

A one-day Winter Skills course will be led by Maine Guide David Butler on Saturday, January 12, and again on Saturday, January 26. For details, e-mail [davidb@canoemaine.com](mailto:davidb@canoemaine.com).

A Full Moon Hike and Owl Prowl is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, from 5 to 7 p.m.; \$5 suggested donation. *Reservations are required.*

HVNC will hold its Biathlon on Sunday, January 27; teams are especially encouraged to participate in the competition for the Liberal Cup, named after the biathlon sponsor, The Liberal Cup of Hallowell.

For winter enthusiasts who want to spend a night or two in the Maine woods, HVNC has three primitive huts with woodstoves. Reservations are recommended for all events. For more information, visit [www.hvnc.org](http://www.hvnc.org) or call 586-6752.

### NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST for Knox County

**Thursday Night** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 12. West wind 3 to 6 mph.

**Friday** A slight chance of snow showers between 1pm and 4pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 31. West wind 7 to 16 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

**Friday Night** Partly cloudy, with a low around 20.

**Saturday** Mostly sunny, with a high near 32.

**Saturday Night** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 21.

**Sunday** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 32.

**Sunday Night** Partly cloudy, with a low around 19.

**Monday** Mostly sunny, with a high near 33.

**Monday Night** Partly cloudy, with a low around 24.

**Tuesday** Partly sunny, with a high near 37.



**RECORD BIRD COUNT** CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



Red-Bellied Woodpecker

scientists use the Christmas Bird Counts to better understand long-term shifts in populations and distribution of birds. There has been a slow but progressive northward movement of many species across the continent. With four individuals found on Saturday, it appears that Carolina Wrens may be making attempts to expand their range northward.

What was different about this year that led to a record tally? Perhaps it had something to do with the atypical open-water conditions. In over three decades of participating in local Christmas Counts, I don't recall a time when all freshwater sources were virtually free of ice. Ground conditions were also bare, allowing birders to cover more areas on foot in out-of-the-way places.

Some highlights include a Pacific Loon spotted off Clark Island, a western loon that is darker and smaller than our wintering Common Loons. At Chickawaukie Lake, birders found a lingering flock of 129 American Coots diving for pond weed along the lake's mid-shore, and tardy groupings of Ring-Necked and



Pacific Loon

Ruddy Ducks rafted farther out.

Two adult Peregrine Falcons hunted Rock Pigeons near Rockland's Transfer Station; minutes later we learned that the male falcon had selected an alternate breakfast item — a European Starling. With just 17 birds found, Bald Eagle numbers were quite low this year.

As we had anticipated, this has become a generally good year for irruptive winter finches from the North Country. Pine Grosbeaks were widespread throughout the count area and were recorded in all eight sectors of the circle. Purple Finches, White-Winged Crossbills, American Goldfinches and several flocks of Common Redpolls rounded out the finch reports.

A leg-banded Ring-Billed Gull was photographed near the Rockland McDonald's. This particular gull (F2Z) was banded in Montreal last spring and has hung around in the neighborhood since mid-August. By the way, gulls are the only known birds to have trans fats in their bloodstream, from sharing our human diet.



Ring-Billed Gull

A very late Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker was found in Warren. In summer, this

species earns its living by drilling holes (sap wells) in tree bark and then consuming the sap and any insects that are attracted to it. By the following day, this sapsucker had remained in the vicinity to drill a maple tree, creating a 5-foot-long sap dripping.

**Joe Gray's Report on Bunker Hill CBC:**

The Audubon Bunker Hill Christmas Bird Count was held Tuesday, December 18, by both feeder watchers and those in field parties. A total of 58 species and 2,012 birds were recorded. The Bunker Hill count area is a 15-mile-diameter circle and includes Damariscotta Mills, Alna, Kings Mills, Jefferson, Whitefield, North Waldoboro and parts of Nobleboro and Waldoboro.

The largest numbers of individual species observed were among waterfowl — with 119 Mallards, 97 each Ring-Billed and Herring Gulls, 92 Common Goldeneyes, 79 American Black Ducks, 60 Hooded Mergansers, 60 Buffleheads, 49 Red-Breasted Mergansers, 32 Canada Geese, 12 Lesser Scaup, 2 Barrow's Goldeneyes, 2 Common Mergansers and 1 Common Loon.

The American Bald Eagle count was 6, with 2 immature birds, 3 Red-Tailed Hawks, 1 Cooper's Hawk and 1 Northern Goshawk.

409 Wild Turkeys were counted, the highest tally among the game birds, followed by 75 Mourning Doves, and 6 Ruffed Grouse.

Among the woodpeckers: Downy 19, Hairy 6, Red-Bellied 5, Pileated 3 and Northern Flicker 1.

Our state bird, the Black-Capped Chickadee, led the list of songbirds at 560, followed by 143 erratic Common Redpolls, 137 American Crows, 116 Blue Jays, 102 American Goldfinches, 74 Dark-Eyed Juncos, 37 Northern Cardinals, 52 Tufted Titmice, 50 White-Breasted Nuthatches and 15 Pine Siskins.

Sparrow family counts included House Sparrow 84, American Tree Sparrow 30, White-throated Sparrow 11 and Song Sparrow 4. The thrush family included 25 American Robins and 15 Eastern Bluebirds.

Other species counted included European Starling 345, Red-Breasted Nuthatch 8, Golden-Crowned Kinglet 4, Common Raven 3, Evening Grosbeak 2, Brown Creeper 2, and one each Carolina Wren, Pine Warbler, Northern Shrike and Common Grackle.

The Audubon Christmas Bird Counts began in 1900, and the data is now on the Web and can be accessed by all. Data from the thousands of other Christmas Bird Counts across North America provides ornithologists, researchers and scientists an opportunity to determine the nation's bird location, population and health.



Red-Breasted Nuthatch

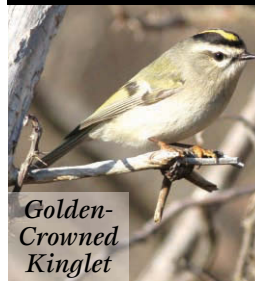


Peregrine Falcon

Pacific Loon	1	Rock Pigeon	409
Common Loon	135	Mourning Dove	426
Red-Necked Grebe	47	Barred Owl	1
Horned Grebe	66	Hairy Woodpecker	23
Northern Gannet	1	Downy Woodpecker	47
Great Cormorant	6	Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker	1
Great Blue Heron	3	Red-Bellied Woodpecker	2
Canada Goose	579	Northern Flicker	4
Black Duck	356	Pileated Woodpecker	6
Mallard	401	Blue Jay	135
Green-Winged Teal	5	American Crow	427
Ring-Necked Duck	15	Common Raven	15
Ruddy Duck	11	Black-Capped Chickadee	563
Common Eider	310	Tufted Titmouse	34
Long-Tailed Duck	203	Red-Breasted Nuthatch	34
Black Scoter	5	White-Breasted Nuthatch	49
Surf Scoter	159	Brown Creeper	10
White-Winged Scoter	1	Golden-Crowned Kinglet	51
Common Goldeneye	105	American Robin	29
Bufflehead	484	Eastern Bluebird	4
Hooded Merganser	21	No. Mockingbird	7
Common Merganser	69	American Pipit	5
Red-Breasted Merganser	139	Carolina Wren	4
Bald Eagle:	11 adults	Northern Shrike	4
	6 immatures	European Starling	620
Northern Harrier	1	No. Cardinal	58
Sharp-Shinned Hawk	1	American Tree Sparrow	61
Northern Goshawk	1	Savannah Sparrow	2
Red-Tailed Hawk	10	Song Sparrow	28
Merlin	1	Swamp Sparrow	7
Peregrine Falcon	2	White-Throated Sparrow	32
Wild Turkey	128	Dark-Eyed Junco	23
American Coot	129	Red-Wing Blackbird	1
Purple Sandpiper	4	Pine Grosbeak	113
Bonaparte's Gull	5	Purple Finch	7
Ring-Billed Gull	201	House Finch	76
Herring Gull	970	White-Winged Crossbill	31
Glaucous Gull	1	Common Redpoll	35
Gr. Black-Back Gull	46	American Goldfinch	94
Razorbill	25	House Sparrow	114
Black Guillemot	299		

Total: 80 species and 8,571 individual birds

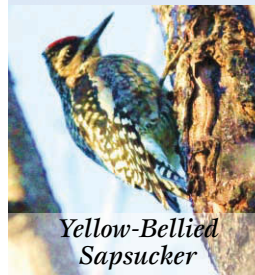
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**Humane Society of Knox County NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS**

To the Members of the Humane Society of Knox County.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Humane Society of Knox County (the Organization) will be holding a special meeting of its Members to discuss changes in the Organization's bylaws. The meeting will be held on Friday, January 18, 2012 at 6 p.m. at Watts Hall, Main St. in Thomaston.

Date of Notice: 12/30/2012

Name of Person Preparing Notice: Tracy Sala, Executive Director

Telephone number of person preparing Notice: 594-4897

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Sunday documentaries at the Strand will lead off with "Chasing Ice," above, on January 6.

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The Strand Theatre in Rockland will present all 15 documentaries short-listed for the upcoming Academy Awards on Sundays at 3:30 p.m. through January and February.

The series will begin on January 6 with "Chasing Ice" (above), about photographer James Balog's Extreme Ice Survey, a years-long effort to capture a time-lapse record of the world's changing glaciers.

The series will continue on January 13 with Ken Burns' tale of injustice, "The Central Park Five"; "The House I Live In" (January 20), an examination of the War on Drugs; "How to Survive a Plague" (January 27), on activism in the early days of AIDS (co-presented with the Camden International

Film Festival); "The Waiting Room" (February 3) goes behind the doors of an American public hospital attempting to care for largely uninsured patients and offers an in-the-trenches look at an institution coping with limited resources and a health care system marked by historic economic and political dysfunction; and "Detropia" (February 17), a portrait of present-day Detroit teetering on the brink of dissolution, struggling to survive postindustrial America and create a radically different future.

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The Boar's Head banquet recalls the ancient wintertime tradition of bringing in the slain boar's head as the first dish served at great Roman feasts. In Norman England, the boar was the sovereign of the forests, causing terror to all, and the symbol for evil. By the 12th century in England, the serving

of the boar's head at Christmastide had become symbolic of the triumph of Christ over Satan and was associated with Epiphany, which celebrates the manifestation of the Christ Child to the Magi. The Yule log, a fresh log lighted by last year's embers, represents the continuance of human life.

Featuring a cast of over 45 amateur performers from New-castle and Union to Lincolnville and Port Clyde, and with live animals, including llamas, sheep, geese and the donkey Noelle, the pageant features a lavish combination of elegant costumes, traditional Christmas songs, liturgical dancing by the Rockport Conservatory and playful young dancers from the Rockland School Ballet, and offers a meaningful closing to the holiday season.

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Tom McCarthy will give a talk on Terrorism: A Personal Perspective at the Belfast Free Library on Tuesday, January 8, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. McCarthy, a retired Secret Service agent, has for the last 15 years traveled globally for the Department of State, including to war zones, providing training to host countries' security forces. The talk will explore all facets of terrorism, with primary emphasis on groups with international goals and capabilities, and McCarthy will encourage discussion in order to enhance participants' perspective on the topic. This talk is offered as a free community event in anticipation of the 26th annual Camden Conference: The Middle East: What Next? For more information, visit [www.camdenconference.org](http://www.camdenconference.org) or call 236-1034.

**Down East Singers Start Spring Rehearsals**

Down East Singers will hold its first rehearsal of the spring semester from 7 to 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8 at Nativity Lutheran Church, 179 Old County Road in Rockport; registration and voice-placement checks for new singers will start at 6:15. The chorus of some 70 members from throughout the midcoast will prepare at Tuesday evening rehearsals for its annual Memorial Day Concert, to be presented on May 27 at the Camden Opera House.

Down East Singers is open to all community members, and new singers are welcome. Sight-reading skills are desired but not required, as long as an ability to match pitch accurately is demonstrated. All singers are expected to work on their music at home between the weekly rehearsals. The membership fee is \$50 per semester; high school students sing for free.

The Memorial Day concert, with a theme of Death and Heaven, will feature the 2005 Karl Jenkins Requiem, which melds the traditional Western funeral text with Japanese haiku. The haiku movements are sung by a women's choir in Japanese. The performance will be accompanied by the Mozart Mentors Orchestra, composed of string teachers and their top students, and *shakuhachi* virtuoso Ralph Samuelson.

Anthony Antolini is Down East Singers' artistic director, and Jennifer McIvor is rehearsal accompanist. The chorus was founded in 1979 by Marion Gray. Visit [www.downeastsingers.org](http://www.downeastsingers.org) or call 701-7352 for more information.

**Drinking Water from the Sea at Chats with Champions**

Dr. James Birkett will discuss desalination, the process of producing drinking water by removing salt from seawater, at Skidompha Library's next Chat with Champions, on Thursday, January 10, at 10 a.m. in the library's Porter Meeting Hall, 184 Main Street, Damariscotta. The talk is free and open to all.

Birkett will trace the development of desalination technology over the years, and describe the methods and challenges involved. He has had more than 40 years' experience working on desalination and advanced water treatment. For more information, call 563-5513.

**Astronomy Course at Rockland Library**

Ron Thompson of Southern Maine Astronomers will present "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Astronomy but Never Asked," in the Community Room at Rockland Public Library on Saturday, January 5, at 2 p.m. In the free talk Thompson will discuss the Big Bang, the Milky Way Galaxy and our solar system, and will provide information and instruction on solar viewing and observing the night sky, from viewing with the naked eye to using charts, planispheres, binoculars and telescopes. The audience will also be able to inspect the library's new Orion Starblast telescope, which is available for checkout at the reference desk.

For more information, call the library at 594-0310.

**Puzzle and Game Swap at Rockland Library**

Rockland Public Library, 80 Union Street, will hold a Puzzle and Board Game Swap on Saturday, January 12, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Community members are invited to bring in gently used board games and puzzles (no missing pieces) to the library at any time now through Thursday, January 10; games for all ages will be accepted. Donors will receive a ticket for each game or puzzle donated, which they may then use to pick out a new-to-them game on swap day. The swap is free and open to all who have donated games and have tickets. For more information, call 594-0310.

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## January Pie Tour to Benefit Food Pantry – Tickets Now On Sale



Frank Isganitis of the LimeRock Inn preparing for last year's Pies on Parade

The ninth annual Pies on Parade will take place in Rockland on Sunday, January 27, from 1 to 5 p.m., when the Historic Inns of Rockland — the Captain Lindsey House, Granite Inn, LimeRock Inn and Berry Manor Inn — join 20 other Rockland businesses and restaurants in welcoming hungry pie fanciers to the “pie tour” to benefit the Area Interfaith Outreach Food Pantry.

Each participating venue will serve both a savory and sweet pie, and the range will include galettes, tarts, quiches, pot pies, pizzas and even a grilled pie.

Proceeds of Tour ticket sales go directly to the food pantry. Tickets —

\$25 for adults, \$10 for children 10 and under — are available from the participating inns only. For more information, visit [www.HistoricInnsOfRockland.com](http://www.HistoricInnsOfRockland.com); to purchase tickets, call 877-ROC-INNS (877-762-4667) or 596-6611.

Over the past eight years, Pies on Parade has raised more than \$50,000 for the Area Interfaith Outreach Food Pantry and Fuel Assistance Fund. An AIO rule of thumb is that each Pies on Parade ticket translates to three meals a day for a family of four for five days.

The Historic Inns of Rockland are also offering a two-day lodging package including exclusive pie add-ons like wine and pie pairings, special museum tours and tastings available to their guests only. For details, check with individual innkeepers, as policies vary from inn to inn.

## Author of Breakfast Cookbook to Give Talk and Cooking Demos at Waldoboro Library

Dana Moos (pictured), author of *The Art of Breakfast*, will give the first talk in the Friends of the Waldoboro Public Library's 2013 Speaker Series, on Monday, January 7, free and open to the public. There will be muffins and coffee at 9:30 a.m. and Moos will begin her talk, including cooking demonstrations, at 10. Moos, originally from Washington, D.C., has worked as a guest chef at Stonewall Kitchen in York, and is proprietor, with her husband, of a B&B in the Portland area. Copies of *The Art of Breakfast* will be available for purchase at the talk (cash or check only).

For more information, call 832-4484 or visit [www.waldoborolibrary.org](http://www.waldoborolibrary.org).



## New Beekeepers Group Forms in Waldo County

A new chapter of the Maine State Beekeepers Association has formed in Waldo County.

Anyone interested in bees and beekeeping who would like to exchange ideas with other Waldo County beekeepers is invited to attend the Waldo County Beekeepers meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month at the Searsport town office/community building.

The club is open to all who have an interest in bees.

For further information, contact Doug Calhoun, [dca-maine@fairpoint.net](mailto:dca-maine@fairpoint.net), or Ralph Littlefield, [beehpond-bees@gmail.com](mailto:beehpond-bees@gmail.com).

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If there were one New Year's resolution I'd make on behalf of everyone, it would be "Have More Fun in the New Year." Bearing this in mind, a good place to start would be reading *Kiss My Aster: A Graphic Guide to Creating a Fantastic Yard Totally Tailored to You*. Author Amanda Thomsen is also a Master Gardener and landscape designer, maintains the blog "Kiss My Aster," and contributes to Proven Winners and Fine Gardening's blogs. Her new book, published by Storey, is just what its title implies: irreverent and highly original, but also full of sound, practical advice for gardeners of all experience.

In the introduction to her book, Thomsen reveals the inspiration for making her book more engaging in an increasingly interactive world. After discarding the idea of including a kitten with each copy, she recalls her childhood love of the "Choose Your Own Adventure" books and realizes that "anything that invites you to write, color, lick, sniff, or scratch in it, is just about as interactive as it gets." And so her book, with illustrations that lean towards a cross between Keith Haring and Matt Groening's "Life in Hell," interweaves solid tips and hints of what to avoid with games like Bad Landscaping Bingo, where numbers are replaced with such no-nos as "statue of little boy peeing, fake deer, dyed red mulch and a giant plastic playset in plain view." There's a "Color Me Gnome" double-page spread and a "Landscaping Mad Libs" game as well.

A fact that Thomsen stresses in several different ways ("Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt," "Landstalking") is the importance of walking around your neighborhood for inspiration and to see what's used in between houses for privacy, what looks cool, and what looks awful. "Home

landscaping is just like a mullet," Thomsen says, "business in front and party in back. You can't go wrong with a simple structured front yard." She suggests taking along a digital camera to take pics and perhaps a dog or baby carriage as props, so you can pretend to be snapping their photos when in fact you are "snapping away at gorgeous landscapes."

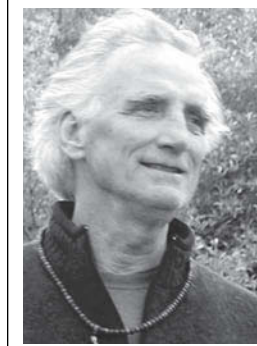
Humor aside (well, no, Thomsen never sets humor aside), there are great tips for designing your landscape, some of which many of us already know, but they bear repeating. As Thomsen gardens in Chicago, she champions the use of evergreens in the landscape, as they are all you have to look at in winter. "Evergreens keep me on the side of the thin line between getting up every morning and sheer insanity." In the chapter titled "Shrubs: The Khaki Pants of the Landscape," she mentions how they give a yard structure: "These are plants that work for you and they make other things work better." She also includes a section on flowering shrubs.

Thomsen emphasizes the need to look at your yard from all angles — inside the house, from all windows, from the street, from the neighbor's yard — when designing, and gives many tips on how to begin to design your own landscape, starting with making drawings of the area, guiding you through plant selection, and giving instructions on how to build paths and patios. All of this is presented with comical asides and a highly personal point of view. Thomsen makes no secret of her dislike of colored mulch, landscape architects, weeping trees and topiary. Zany at times, *Kiss My Aster* is founded on sensible advice delivered in a way that makes the reader laugh, or at least snicker, with every page-turning. And in the depth of winter in Maine, that can only be a good thing.

## New Beginnings



by Georgeanne Davis



### Talk on How Personal Environment Affects Well-Being at Camden Library on January 14

Architect Terry Cline, left, will give an illustrated talk on how personal environment has a significant impact on behavior, relationships and performance, at the Camden Public Library at noon on Monday, January 14. Cline will discuss practical, low-cost adjustments to interior home, office and classroom spaces that can improve mental, spiritual and physical well-being. As director of DwellRight, an architectural firm specializing in green design, Cline uses ideas from architecture, psychology, neurology, *feng shui* and common sense to make interior spaces more pleasant. The free talk is another in the Wellness Brown Bag Lunch series, a collaboration between the library and the Penobscot Bay Regional Chamber of Commerce, held on the second Monday of each month at noon. For more information, call the library at 236-3440.

## Appraisals at Bath Antique Show to Benefit Food Bank January 13

Rusty Farrin of Farrin's Country Auctions in Randolph will be on hand for Antiques Appraisal Day at the Bath Antique Show on Sunday, January 13, and will appraise items in exchange for a donation of cash or a nonperishable food item. One hundred percent of the collected proceeds will be donated to the Bath Area Food Bank ([bathfoodbank.org](http://bathfoodbank.org)).

Farrin, an antiques seller for over 30 years, is a past president of the Maine Auctioneers Association and is a certified appraiser.

The Antiques Show will take place on January 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bath Middle School on Congress Avenue, off Route 1; admission is \$4. For more information, visit [www.BathAntiquesShows.com](http://www.BathAntiquesShows.com) or call 582-5908.

## Keeping Pets Safe in Winter Weather

The Humane Society of the United States urges pet owners to take extra precautions to ensure the safety of their companion animals during winter storms. The best prescription is to keep your dog or cat inside. The happiest dogs are those who are taken out frequently for walks and exercise but kept inside the rest of the time. Dogs and cats are social animals who crave human companionship. Your animal companions deserve to live indoors with you and your family. In many jurisdictions, leaving a domestic animal outside during extreme cold, particularly if they are without access to shelter, food and/or water, violates state or local animal cruelty laws.

Help keep your pet safe by following these simple guidelines:

- Don't leave pets outdoors when the temperature drops. Dogs and cats are safer indoors, except when taken out for supervised exercise. Regardless of the season, cats and shorthaired, very young or old dogs should never be left outside. Short-coated dogs should wear a sweater during walks.

- Pets who spend time outdoors need more food in the winter — keeping warm depletes energy. If you keep a water bowl outside, routinely check to make certain the water is fresh and unfrozen. For outside food and water bowls, use plastic rather than metal; when the temperature plummets, your pet's tongue can stick and freeze to metal. Heated plastic pet water bowls are also an option to keep water from freezing when your pets must be outdoors.

- Warm engines in parked cars attract cats and small wildlife, who may crawl up under the hood. To avoid injuring any hidden animals, bang on your car's hood to scare them away before starting your engine.

- Salt and other ice-melting chemicals can irritate the pads of your pet's feet and may be harmful if ingested. Wipe its feet with a damp towel before your pet licks them to remove snow packed between toes. Pet-friendly ice melts

are available at pet supply stores or online.

- Traditional antifreeze is a deadly poison, but it has a sweet taste that can attract animals and children. Be certain that any antifreeze you buy or have put in your car contains a bittering agent that makes ingestion by pets and children less likely.

- No matter what the temperature, wind chill can threaten a pet's life. If your dog must spend significant time outdoors, it must be protected by a dry, draft-free doghouse that is large enough to allow the dog to sit and lie down comfortably, but small enough to hold in its body heat. The floor should be raised a few inches off the ground and covered with cedar shavings or straw. The house should be turned to face away from the wind, and the doorway should be covered with waterproof burlap or heavy plastic.

- If you're feeding feral cats, be sure to provide an insulated shelter for them. Information about building a shelter, spaying, neutering and more is available at [www.humane-society.org/feralcats](http://www.humane-society.org/feralcats).

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## from offshore

— by Eva Murray

### Here be it resolved...

In the interest of self-improvement I have given due consideration to where I have gone astray recently and earnestly mean to do better in 2013. Aside from the obvious universal and obligatory New Year's resolutions (each some variation on "eat less cake," as a rule) a small list of specifics is brought to my attention.

- "Do unto others," et cetera, suggests among other things that one ought not stereotype people, and I have been asked for a cease-and-desist on the stereotyping of sailboat tourists (a.k.a. "sailors," and obviously I do not mean the uniformed naval personnel). People write me actual on-paper letters to make this point clear. I am duly chastened, and hereby resolve not to heckle the recreational mariners who visit this island and other area ports during warmer months in my columns, begging exception for those actual individuals who have done something to deserve such twitting. Heaven knows there are plenty of those around just the same, meandering around the tonier retail districts bundled for the bitterest of Siberian blasts from the waist up while bare-kneed and flip-flopped below, pointing out the quaint little savages and piling up lobster buoys for the cute souvenirs they are.... Ahem. Sorry. Presumably those goofs are all motor-yacht folks.

- I am guilty of throwing away a great deal of expensive lettuce. If I cannot eat my vegetables for health, I resolve to at least try harder for the sake of economy. That lovely-looking "spring mix" and similar items from the boxful-of-leaves department in the produce section must be looked upon as an investment and not wind up in the compost. Bananas are another problem; I prefer my bananas exactly right, within only about a 36-hour window of precision ripeness, and for this reason tend to pitch out quite a few bananas. Those hopeless neon-green fruit which are purchased so exceedingly far from ripeness as to be the color of a Public Works Department raincoat are not likely to develop much flavor; they more or less rot, developing a taste resembling old-fashioned furniture polish. It's almost the same thing, scientifically, a fragrant ester with an industrial sort of bouquet we learned to make back in chemistry class. I ought to only purchase edible bananas. Please do not write me letters reminding me that overripe bananas can be frozen for use later in banana bread (it is quite enough to get letters reminding me to be nicer to sailors). I could lay up a decent brick retaining wall with the amount of banana bread we'd have made already just to use the surplus bananas. I could not possibly eat even a tenth of it. Nevertheless, this wastefulness troubles me, and I cannot make light of throwing out food when so many go without. I resolve to eat what I buy, as best I am able.

- There are a few people among us who really must not be engaged in conversation, no matter how benign things may appear at the start. They are never neutral; they are looking for trouble and that's final. They rant, they preach, they tear one apart, or they twist their hapless subject's harmless references around to make one's ethics look sketchy, one's motives look sinister, and one's heart look shriveled. Their victims have no chance at winning even a two-point gain and few opportunities for escape once engaged, but these people view their wrathful edicts and convoluted protestations as somehow beneficial to a benighted civilization. They carry on, when sprung loose by some accidental pleasantry, without consideration of timing or for the sensitivities of any grandmothers or small fry within earshot. They are single-minded and expert in conversational entrapment. They care not one whit for the accepted etiquette of pleasant holidays, decent respect for an enjoyable happy hour, or the axioms of mathematical logic. They know exactly which buttons to push and where to best kick at a soft underbelly. They have an agenda in red letters and no good can come from taking their bait. Historically common to the halls of middle schools as well as to certain family Thanksgiving dinners and to the halls of Congress, many of these villains are now especially drawn to Facebook, a sort of oversimplified cave-man world perfectly suited to their blindered outlooks and dialectic cudgels. I resolve not to be suckered, but rather to see trouble coming and run away in time.

- It has been suggested by many a sage and not a few wags that a good writer learns to say in few words what others must say in many. Hmm; I've a long ways to go yet on that one.

Here's wishing Free Press readers a happy and peaceful New Year!

*Eva Murray lives on Matinicus Island.*

## LETTERS OPINIONS

### Confessions of a New Year's Eve Slacker—

I know I ought to be more altruistic;  
But, in my heart, I'm grimly realistic.  
The resolutions that I made last year  
Have come to naught again, I'll tell you here:

The gas I burned has made the planet warmer.  
I voted once again against Obama.  
I failed to compost watermelon rinds;  
And women were mere bodies, never minds.

My tax return was still a work of fiction.  
The jokes I liked could stir up ethnic friction.  
I never did adopt a shelter puppy,  
And called my son-in-law a frigging yuppie.

Asparagus and kale weren't in my diet;  
If whiskey was in soy milk, I might try it.  
Poetically, I plagiarized the dead;  
And Britney Spears, I still would love to bed.

I didn't give a dime to PBS ...  
And think I did some drugs to slight excess.  
Tonight I'll pledge to be a better person ...

But, twelve months hence, you'll only find a worse'un.

*Douglas G. Brown  
Belfast*

### Carbon Revolution—

In his call for revolution against carbon fuel, Bill McKibben, Christine Parrish, and their fellow revolutionaries (Free Press, Dec. 20) neglect one thing. Namely, eliminating carbon input to the atmosphere, so its concentration becomes less than 350 parts per million, condemns the vast majority of the human family to abject poverty. There is a moral issue here too. Consider the chart, at right, compiled by the U.S. Energy Information Agency.

It shows per-capita energy use versus per-capita gross domestic product for a variety of countries in the year 2000. The countries on the upper right have healthier, more educated, longer-lived people, who live in a much cleaner environment. The correlation is absolute, a decent lifestyle requires lots of energy, and today 85 percent of the world's energy comes from fossil fuel. Hence there is absolutely nothing immoral in investing in responsible coal, oil and gas companies. They underpin our prosperity, decent lifestyle, and clean environment.

Notice particularly China. In 2000, the average Chinese used about 10 percent of the energy of the average American. Today that figure is closer to 25 percent, and China is now the world's largest carbon emitter. In 2009 I was at a scientific conference where a high-ranking member of the Chinese Academy of Science said that then the average Chinese used 20 percent of the energy of the average American, and they would not rest until their energy use is about equal to ours. Between them, China and India are bringing on line about one coal-fired power plant every week. Bill McKibben and his revolutionaries will not stop them; they are sick of poverty.

The scientific underpinning of man-made global warming is not nearly as solid as its proponents claim. The claims are based largely on computer models of the atmosphere. I have been involved with many different computer simulations, and can assure Ms. Parrish that in complex, but much simpler physical systems than the earth's atmosphere, even the best of these simulations often go wrong. Furthermore, there has been no increase in the earth's average temperature for 15 years. I have been following this controversy long enough to know that computer models in 1998 predicted all sorts of "tipping points" by now. Certainly no computer model 15 or 20 years ago predicted no temperature increase. To me this real data point means more than all the computer models.

The article mentions rise in corn prices, blaming climate-change-caused drought. This might have had some minor impact, but a much likelier explanation is the fact that our government subsidizes and mandates that about 35 percent of our corn crop goes to make ethanol. This allows drivers in the richest part of the world to replace about 1 percent of the fuel in their gas tanks with "green" ethanol, while causing hunger and starvation in the poorest parts. To me this is a crime against humanity.

Here are a few other scientific and "mathematical" facts that Bill McKibben and his fellow revolutionaries have overlooked. Ice in Antarctica and Greenland is melting in some places and thickening in others. The net effect is difficult to

### New Year's Resolution—

This year's developments have certainly vindicated those of us who care about our health, our environment and our treatment of animals.

In January, First Lady Michelle Obama unveiled revamped federal guidelines requiring school cafeterias to serve more fruits, vegetables and whole grains, and less sodium and animal fat.

In March, a study involving nearly 38,000 men and 84,000 women by the Harvard School of Public Health concluded that one daily serving of meat is associated with a 13 to 20 percent increase in the risk of death from heart disease or cancer.

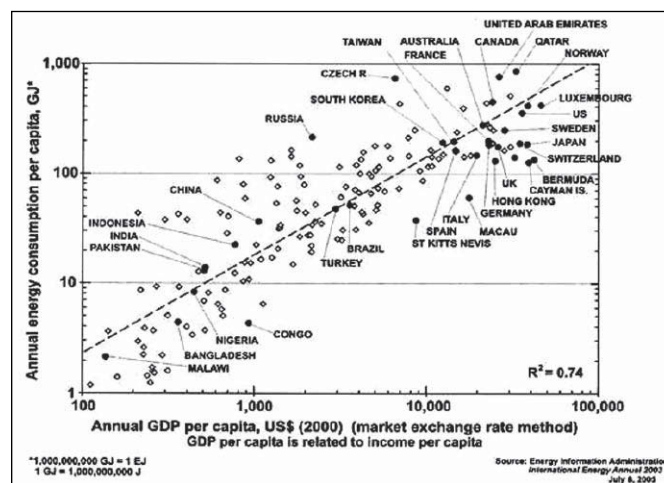
The American Journal of Preventive Medicine estimates that prevalence of obesity among American adults will escalate to 42 percent by 2030, with a \$550 billion increase in medical costs.

The Humane Society exposed unconscionable atrocities among three pig producers in Oklahoma and a Pennsylvania egg farm. It's little wonder that 7 percent of Americans consider themselves vegetarian or vegan and 28 percent are actively reducing their meat consumption, leading to a 12 percent U.S. drop since 2007.

We should all consider following suit for this New Year's resolution. Entering "live vegan" in a search engine brings tons of recipes and other useful information.

*David Lesterfield  
Nobleboro*

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measure. The American Meteorological Society pointed this out in a 2007 statement. Glaciers have been receding for at least 200 years. The worst decade for hurricanes in the United States was the 1950s. No drought in the United States today has even come close to the dust bowl of the 1930s. The medieval warm period, when the Vikings settled Greenland, was likely warmer than today. In fact over the millennia of human civilization warm periods have been beneficial, cold periods harmful. Carbon dioxide is not a pollutant, but a nutrient for plants. Greenhouses generally operate with a CO<sub>2</sub>-rich atmosphere. Without atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>, life on earth would not be possible. Without greenhouse gases in the atmosphere (mostly water vapor) the earth's average temperature would be well below freezing and the temperate regions would be unlivable. Our climate is constantly changing due to natural and man-made causes. It is far from simple to determine which input causes which change.

Finally, in 2005 the presidents of the national academies of science of 11 scientifically advanced countries issued a joint statement on climate change. While they did express concern, they did not advocate revolution or pulling the plug on civilization as Bill McKibben does. They advocated both prevention and adaptation. They foresaw a sea level rise by 2100 of between 4 inches and 3 feet. At the current rate, 4 inches is the better estimate. This is certainly not the flood of biblical proportion which Bill McKibben fears. Here is a link to their statement: [www.nationalacademies.org/onpi/06072005.pdf](http://www.nationalacademies.org/onpi/06072005.pdf).

Until a carbon-free energy source, most likely nuclear, can replace fossil fuel at about the same quantity and price, we are stuck with it (after 20 years of large government subsidies, wind power is still very expensive, unreliable, and produces well under 1 percent of the world's energy). Bill McKibben and his revolutionaries are advocating nothing less than the end of civilization. Man-made climate change, which may or may not occur over the next century or two, is not the only problem civilization faces. Running out of affordable energy is at least as important. There are after all competing priorities; a balanced approach, not revolution, is far more sensible.

*Wallace Manheimer  
Camden*



# 2012 Year in Review

By Dave Barry

It was a cruel, cruel year — a year that kept raising our hopes, only to squash them flatter than a dead possum on the interstate.

Example: This year the “reality” show “Jersey Shore,” which for six hideous seasons has been a compelling argument in favor of a major earth-asteroid collision, finally got canceled, and we dared to wonder if maybe, just maybe, we, as a society, were becoming slightly less stupid.

But then, WHAP, we were slapped in our national face by the cold hard frozen mackerel of reality in the form of the hugely popular new “reality” show “Here Comes Honey Boo Boo,” which, in terms of intellectual content, makes “Jersey Shore” look like *Hamlet*.

Another example: As the year began, the hottest recording artist was the brilliant singer-songwriter Adele, whose popularity made us think that maybe, just maybe, after years of rewarding overhyped auto-tuned dreck, we were finally developing more sophisticated musical tastes, and then...

WHAP, we were assaulted from all sides by the monster megahit video “Gangnam Style,” in which a Korean man prances around a variety of bizarre Korean settings riding an imaginary Korean horse and shouting a song that, except for the words “Eh, sexy lady,” is entirely in Korean.

It was that kind of year. Remember back in 2011, when the big sex scandal involved Anthony Weiner, the ferret-like congressman who committed political suicide by Tweet? We all thought, “Oh well, another Washington politician who wants to regulate everything except his own personal dingdong. At least there are SOME institutions, such as the Secret Service, the CIA and the Army, where males in positions of responsibility can control their...”

WHAP.

Did anything good come out of 2012? Maybe. Just maybe. Consider: For years now, Washington has been paralyzed by bitterly partisan gridlock, unable and unwilling to act in the face of a looming, potentially disastrous economic crisis. But this year, we, the people, finally did something about it. We went to the polls, and we made our decision. Which is why now, as the year ends, we can look forward to a future in which Washington is...

WHAP.

So, OK, basically we need to forget about 2012 as soon as possible. But just so we can remember exactly what it is we need to forget, let's pour ourselves a stiff drink and take a look back at the train wreck we're staggering away from, starting with...

## JANUARY

...in which President Barack Obama, in the State of the Union address, boldly rebuts critics who charge that his economic policies have been a failure by displaying the scalp of Osama bin Laden, which a White House aide carries in a special briefcase.

Meanwhile the race for the Republican presidential nomination, which began in approximately 2003, continues to be a spicy political gumbo of excitement. The emerging front-runner is Mitt Romney, who combines a strong resume of executive experience with the easygoing natural human warmth of a parking meter. Still in contention, however, is Newt Gingrich, whose popularity surges briefly, only to wane when voters begin to grasp the fact that he is Newt Gingrich. This opens the door for Rick Santorum, whose strong suit is that he has a normal first name, and who apparently at one point was a senator or governor of Pennsylvania or possibly Vermont.

Abroad, an Iranian nuclear scientist is killed in a suspicious bomb blast. Responding to accusations that the United States was behind the killing, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton declares “we had nothing to do with it,” adding that if any more Iranian nuclear scientists are killed, “we will have had nothing to do with that, either.”

In the new year's first major disaster, the Mediterranean cruise ship *Costa Concordia* goes way off course, hits a rock and sinks. The captain, Francesco Schettino, is immediately relieved of command and placed in charge of the Italian economy.

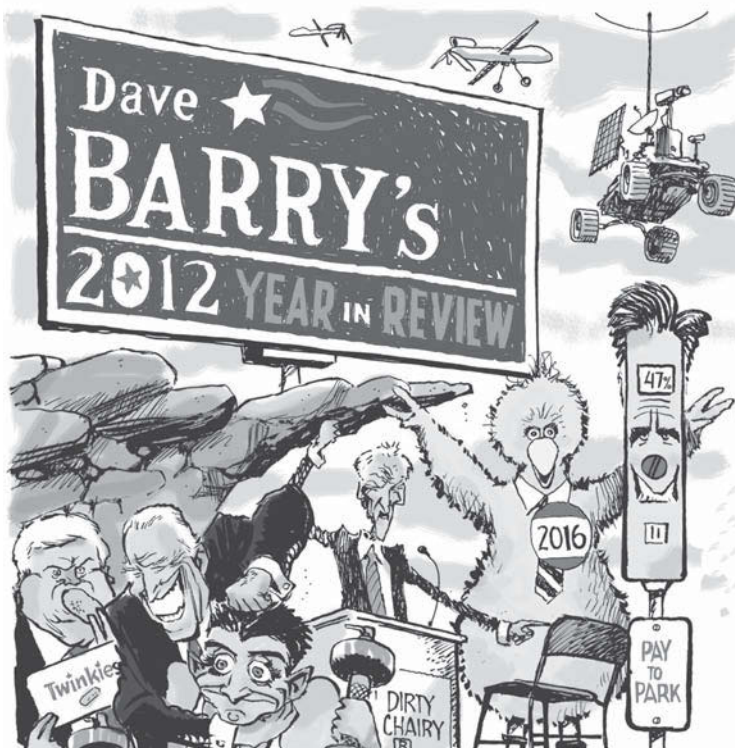
The economic news remains bad in...

## FEBRUARY

...as American motorists struggle to afford ever-higher gasoline prices, prompting a pledge from President Obama to do “whatever it takes” to bring relief at the pump, “including killing Osama bin Laden again.” Mitt Romney responds that he, more than any other candidate, understands the consumers' pain over this issue, since he owns “at least 45 cars.”

In Spain and Greece, hundreds of thousands of people take to the streets in protest against government-imposed austerity measures necessitated by the fact that for the past five years pretty much nobody in Spain or Greece has done anything except take to the streets in protest.

Meanwhile, in what international observers see as a red flag, Iran places an ad on Craigslist stating “WE PAY CASH FOR NUCLEAR BOMB MATERIALS.”



In sports, a little-known athlete named Jeremy Lin scores numerous points in a professional basketball game despite having graduated from Harvard. Instantly, he becomes a bigger international star than all of the Kardashians combined. His image appears everywhere — on TV, magazine covers, T-shirts, etc. — and for a brief period he is the leading contender for the Republican presidential nomination. Then, suddenly — Poof! — he vanishes without a trace. Looking back on it, we're not 100 percent sure that “Jeremy Lin” ever really existed.

In other sports news, Indianapolis, shedding its “hick town” image, shows that it is truly a world-class city as it hosts Super Bowl XLVI, in which the Giants seal a dramatic 21-17 victory when Ahmad Bradshaw, with 57 seconds left, reaches the end zone by vaulting over a cow that wandered onto the field.

Speaking of dramatic, in...

## MARCH

...the endless slog for the Republican presidential nomination reaches “Super Tuesday,” with voters going to the polls in 12 states, including New Hampshire and South Carolina, which have already held primaries but can no longer remember whom they voted for. It is now clear that Romney has won the nomination, but Gingrich vows to continue his campaign, lurching gamely onward despite the tranquilizer darts fired into his neck by his own advisors.

In Florida, the shooting death of Trayvon Martin sets off a passionate, weeks-long national debate among politicians, journalists, pundits, talk-show hosts, activists, celebrities, bloggers, anti-gun groups, pro-gun groups, Al Sharpton and millions of ordinary citizens, not a single one of whom knows what actually happened.

In Europe, the economic crisis continues to worsen as the government of Greece, desperate for revenue, is forced to lease the Parthenon to Hooters. Meanwhile, Moody's Investors Service officially downgrades the credit rating of Spain to “putrid” after an audit reveals that the national treasury consists entirely of Groupons.

In sports, the National Football League imposes stiff penalties on the New Orleans Saints following the shocking revelation that some Saints players might have deliberately committed acts of violence against opposing players for monetary gain, which is of course totally contrary to the spirit of professional football. Commissioner Roger Goodell states that the NFL is also investigating disturbing allegations that players sometimes deliberately knock their opponents to the ground via a violent tactic known as “tackling.”

The scandals continue in...

## APRIL

...when the U.S. Secret Service acknowledges that agents sent to Colombia to provide security for President Obama at the Summit of the Americas allegedly engaged in some unauthorized summiting, if you catch our drift. The agents are immediately recalled to the United States and reassigned to former President Clinton.

Abroad, a closely watched attempt by North Korea to test a long-range rocket capable of carrying a nuclear warhead ends in an embarrassing failure when, moments before the scheduled launch, the rocket is eaten by North Korean citizens.

In finance, Moody's downgrades Spain's credit rating from “putrid” to “rancid” when the Spanish government, attempting to write a check, is unable to produce a valid photo ID. Meanwhile the Greek parliament, meeting in an emergency session on the worsening economic crisis, votes to

*Ed. Note: In case readers wonder why there is no acknowledgement of the horrific end-of-the-year shootings in Connecticut, Dave Barry's Year in Review was written and filed before it happened.*

give heroin a try.

In domestic business news, Facebook, a company with a business model that nobody really understands, spends \$1 billion to buy Instagram, another company with a business model that nobody really understands. Since everybody involved is about 19 years old, Wall Street concludes this must be a good idea.

In golf, Bubba Watson wins a dramatic Masters tournament in a sudden-death playoff when Louis Oosthuizen, attempting a putt on the par-4 tenth hole, suddenly dies, thereby incurring a three-stroke penalty. Elsewhere in sports, NFL Commissioner Goodell vows to investigate reports that some members of the New Orleans Saints have, during games, deliberately called opposing players bad names, which Goodell notes “could cause low self-esteem.”

On a sad note, beloved entertainer Dick Clark passes away, although he will continue to host his popular New Year's Eve special.

Speaking of sad, in...

## MAY

...Newt Gingrich finally suspends his presidential campaign, despite an emotional plea to keep fighting from his base of supporters, namely Mrs. and Mrs. Elrod Pomfuter of Oklahoma City, who, after months of deliberation, had just invested in a bumper sticker.

In other political news, President Obama, who supported same-sex marriage when he ran for the Illinois Senate in 1996 but opposed it when he ran for the U.S. Senate in 2004, clarifies his evolving position, which is that he once again fully supports same-sex marriage, for now. Mitt Romney reaffirms his long-standing position on the issue, which is that he is in favor of sex during marriage, but only at night.

Voters in the French presidential election, rejecting the austerity program of incumbent Nicolas Sarkozy, choose, as their new leader, Charlie Sheen. In other European economic crisis news, Greece, seeing a way out of its financial woes, invests all of its remaining money in the initial public offering of Facebook stock, which immediately drops faster than Snooki's underpants.

In sports, Usain Bolt, running in his final tune-up race before the Olympics, wins the Kentucky Derby.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, having dealt with all of the city's other concerns — disaster preparation, for example — turns his attention to the lone remaining problem facing New Yorkers: soft drinks. For far too long, these uncontrolled beverages have roamed the city in vicious large-container packs, forcing innocent people to drink them and become obese. Mayor Bloomberg's plan would prohibit the sale of soft drinks in containers larger than 16 ounces, thereby making it impossible to consume larger quantities, unless of course somebody bought two containers, but the mayor is confident that nobody except him would ever be smart enough to think of that.

Another major health-related story breaks in...

## JUNE

...when the U.S. Supreme Court, handing down its much-anticipated ruling on Obamacare, decides by a 5-4 vote that the Affordable Care Act is constitutional. Moments after the decision is announced, the justices discover that, because of a clerical error, the document they have spent the past three months reviewing is actually the transmission-repair manual for a 1997 Hyundai Sonata. By a 9-0 vote, they decide to say nothing more about this.

In other domestic news, San Francisco, not wishing to be outdone by New York in the field of caring about the public welfare, bans beverage containers altogether, requiring restaurants to serve soft drinks by pouring them directly into their customers' mouths.

Abroad, England celebrates the 60-year reign of Queen Elizabeth II with a massive Diamond Jubilee blowout bash lasting several days, at the end of which members of the Royal Family are found wandering around naked as far away as Croatia. Also many of the Crown Jewels are covered with what appears to be Vaseline.

In the worsening European economic crisis, Greece announces a new bailout plan that hinges on persuading Germany to buy what Prime Minister Lucas Papademos describes as “a buttload of Tupperware.”

In sports, Major League Baseball fans are treated to an unusual spate of no-hitters, all thrown by Usain Bolt. Roger Goodell announces that the NFL is investigating disturbing allegations that some members of the New Orleans Saints do not sing during the national anthem.

Speaking of disturbing, in...

## JULY

...the Mexican presidential election — won by Enrique Peña Nieto of the wonderfully named Institutional Revolutionary Party — is tainted by allegations of voting fraud after independent observers note that the “optical scanners” used to count ballots are in fact Sunbeam toasters. Mexican election officials conduct a recount and conclude that Peña Nieto has indeed won the election fair and square, as well as the election that will take place in 2018.

In Moscow, three members of the Russian all-woman punk-rock group Pussy Riot go on trial for engaging in an anti-government protest. Their cause is adopted by a variety



of concerned organizations, including Amnesty International and the U.S. Secret Service.

A tragic fatal drama plays out on the streets of New York City, where police officers fire 183 bullets into a man who, according to witnesses, was about to take a sip from a Big Gulp, which he apparently obtained in New Jersey. The shooting is defended by Mayor Bloomberg, who notes that if the officers had not acted quickly, the man "could have placed himself in very real danger of becoming obese."

In science news, a group of physicists announce that, after decades of research costing billions of dollars, they believe they have confirmed the existence of the Higgs boson, which according to them is an extremely exciting tiny invisible thing next to which all the other bosons pale by comparison. This is breathlessly reported as major news by journalists who majored in English and whose knowledge of science is derived exclusively from making baking-soda volcanoes in third grade. Back in the lab, the physicists enjoy a hearty scientific laugh, then resume the important work of thinking up names for exciting new invisible things they can announce the discovery of.

In London, the Olympics get under way with a spectacular opening ceremony. The only glitch in the ceremony occurs when a streaker runs onto the track and passes out. He is identified by police as Prince Philip, still in Diamond Jubilee mode.

The partying continues in...

## AUGUST

...when Hurricane Isaac fails to dampen the mood in Tampa at the wild and crazy spontaneous wacky funfest that is the Republican National Convention. The Republicans — eager to disprove the stereotype that they are the party of old, out-of-touch rich white men — give their highest-visibility prime-time TV spot to: Clint Eastwood. Clint wows the delegates by delivering a series of fascinating sentence fragments to a chair that he either does or does not realize has nobody sitting on it. In other convention highlights, the Republicans declare their support for the Middle Class and pass a platform calling on the nation to get the hell off their lawn.

Tensions continue to rise in the Middle East when Iran unveils a new surface-to-surface ballistic missile named "Conqueror," which, according to an Iranian spokesman, will be used for "agriculture."

In the European economic crisis, an increasingly desperate Greece offers to have sex with Germany.

Closer to home, suspicions that the Mexican military may be involved with drug trafficking are heightened when a U.S. surveillance satellite photographs a Mexican army convoy transporting what appears to be a 200-foot doobie.

In space news, NASA scientists cheer as the Curiosity Mars Rover, which was launched from Cape Canaveral in November of 2011, finally makes a safe landing. The cheers quickly fade, however, when an analysis of images transmitted back by Curiosity indicate that because of a glitch in the navigational software — which coincidentally is the same type used in the soon-to-be-released iPhone 5 — the Rover has actually landed in Waco, Texas.

In sports, Usain Bolt dominates the London Olympics, picking up gold medals in three sprint events and winning a world record eight seats in the House of Lords. Great Britain's team ignites a national celebration of patriotism, winning medals in many events, including rowing, paddling, pedaling, croquet, darts, skiffles, whist, the pudding toss, the 50-meter lawn rake and the men's umbrella furl.

Speaking of celebrating, in...

## SEPTEMBER

...the Democrats gather in Charlotte, North Carolina for their convention, during which they declare their near-carnal passion for the Middle Class and celebrate the many major achievements of the Obama administration, including the killing of Osama bin Laden, solar energy, the winning of the War On Terror by killing Osama bin Laden, the Chevy Volt, bold presidential leadership in the form of making the difficult decision to order the killing of Osama bin Laden, wind power, and many, many other major things that the administration has achieved, such as killing Osama bin Laden. The Democrats acknowledge that the economy is not totally 100 percent "there" yet, but promise to continue moving steadfastly forward with their relentless attacks on the root cause of economic stagnation and continued high unemployment, namely George W. Bush.

Abroad, the big story is a deadly 9/11 attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya. It soon becomes apparent that the attack either was or was not a spontaneous protest against a movie that either does or does not actually exist, or possibly it was an organized terrorist attack that either did or did not involve al Qaeda and either could or could not have been prevented if there had been better intelligence, which maybe there was, or maybe there was not, although if there was, it was not acted on, possibly for political reasons. Or not. But beyond these basic facts, little is clear. The White House issues a strong statement assuring the nation that President Obama was not in any way involved in this, "or anything else that may or may not become known."

In European economic news, Greece abandons the euro in favor of a new currency, the gyro, which is backed by

some kind of grayish meat.

In labor news, Chicago teachers go on strike over controversial proposed contract changes that would allow the school board to terminate teachers who have passed away. Meanwhile the NFL comes under increasing pressure to settle the referee strike following a game between the San Francisco 49ers and the Tennessee Titans in which the replacement refs call four balks and three traveling violations, and ultimately declare that the winner is the Green Bay Packers. At the end of the month the strike is settled, and the replacement refs move on to their new role as Florida election officials.

In other sports labor action, the National Hockey League locks out its players, lending credence to rumors that there is still a National Hockey League.

In space news, NASA scientists remotely analyze a soil sample collected by the Curiosity Waco Rover and report that it contains "an alarmingly high level of spit."

Apple releases the much-anticipated iPhone 5, which receives some criticism for its glitchy map software and the fact that it uses a different connector from all the other iPhones and iPhone accessories. Also, it can neither make nor receive telephone calls. Nevertheless it is a big hit with Apple fans, who line up to buy it even as they eagerly anticipate the forthcoming iPhone 5s, which, rumor has it, will require 3D glasses.

Speaking of criticism, in...

## OCTOBER

...President Obama is widely faulted for his performance in the first presidential debate, during which he appears moody and detached, several times stopping in mid-answer to go outside to smoke a cigarette. The debate moderator, veteran PBS newsman Jim Lehrer, at first seems a bit overwhelmed by the task, but after a few minutes he falls asleep. This leaves the field wide open for a confident and assertive Mitt Romney, who, in a span of 90 minutes, manages to explain his five-point economic-recovery plan a total of 37 times, running up an indoor record presidential-debate score

of 185 points. Romney also demonstrates his understanding of the issues facing ordinary Americans by promising to cut federal funding for Big Bird.

Stung by the defeat, Obama closets himself with his advisors, who coach him on debating techniques such as smiling, pretending to listen, and forming complete sentences without a teleprompter. Obama is much more aggressive in the next two debates, at one point pulling out his BlackBerry on-camera and ordering a missile strike against Syria.

In the vice-presidential debate, Joe Biden gives Paul Ryan a noogie.

With polls showing a very tight race, the final weeks of the campaign are a textbook example of what this great experiment called "American democracy" is all about: two opposing political parties, each with valid positions, spending hundreds of millions of dollars on comically simplistic radio and TV ads designed by consultants to terrify ill-informed halfwits.

But the month's big story is "superstorm" Sandy, which devastates a large swath of the Northeast despite the courageous efforts of hundreds of TV news reporters standing on the beaches telling people to stay off the beaches. New York City is hit hard, but Mayor Bloomberg responds swiftly, ordering police to arrest anybody suspected of taking advantage of the disaster by consuming soft drinks from containers larger than 16 ounces, which could potentially cause them to become obese.

Fidel Castro, for what is believed to be the 17th time in the past eight years, dies.

In the month's most inspiring story, Austrian daredevil Felix Baumgartner jumps from the Red Bull Stratos helium balloon 24 miles high and breaks the sound barrier in free fall, reaching a speed of 834 miles per hour and thrilling a worldwide broadcast audience before being shot down by a Predator drone sponsored by Monster, a competing energy drink.

In entertainment news, The Walt Disney Co. purchases Lucasfilm Ltd. and releases a trailer for the forthcoming "Star Wars Episode VII," in which Darth Vader is a talking penguin.

Speaking of surprises, in...

## NOVEMBER

...after an election cycle in which an estimated \$6 billion was spent on races for the presidency and Congress, the American voters — who by every account are disgusted with Washington and desperately want change — vote to keep everything pretty much the same. President Obama wins all the key battleground states except Florida, where, after a week of ballot-counting delays caused by denture ad-

hesive in the scanners, election officials finally announce that the state's 29 electoral votes will be awarded to the Kansas City Chiefs.

With the election finally over and the federal government headed toward a "fiscal cliff" that could plunge the nation back into a recession, Congress, realizing the urgency of the situation, rolls up its sleeves and gets on with the crucial job of remaining gridlocked, while President Obama heads for Burma, a vital U.S. strategic partner located somewhere abroad.

In other election developments, voters in Colorado and Washington approve the legalization of recreational marijuana use, and also order \$257 million worth of delivery pizzas.

Speaking of nutrition: A bankruptcy court grants Hostess Brands permission to close its business, posing a serious threat to the nation's strategic Twinkie supply. Fortunately, an agreement is worked out under which Twinkies will be produced by a new entity. Unfortunately, that entity is: Iran.

In other disturbing national-security news, David Petraeus, director of the Central Intelligence Agency and former four-star general, is embroiled in scandal for engaging in unauthorized covert action with his official biographer, Paula Broadwell, who, according to the FBI, sent threatening emails to Tampa, Florida, social event planner Jill Kelley concerning both Petraeus and four-star general John Allen, who, while serving as U.S. commander in Afghanistan, found the time to exchange more than 20,000 pages worth of communications with Kelley, which means that either

they were emailing a Stephen King novel to each other, or they were planning some kind of social event, if you catch our drift. Petraeus resigns and is immediately placed in charge of the U.S. Secret Service. The White House issues a statement assuring the nation that President Obama knew nothing about any of this and was "unaware of the existence of any so-called Central Intelligence Agency."

In the World Series, a team with a payroll \$65 million lower than that of the Yankees is defeated by a team with a payroll \$80 million lower than that of the Yankees, leading to the inescapable conclusion that the Yankees need a bigger payroll.

Toward the end of the month, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is dispatched on an urgent mission to try to bring peace to one of the world's most troubled spots: the Moultrie, Georgia, Walmart, where mobs of crazed Black Friday shoppers are viciously assaulting each other over discounted cell phones. Clinton soon realizes the futility of her mission and heads for the Middle East, where people are more reasonable.

Speaking of troubled, in...

## DECEMBER

...there is much fiscal-cliff drama in Washington as Congress and the White House — after months of engaging in cynical posturing and political gamesmanship while putting off hard decisions about a dangerous crisis that everyone knew was coming — finally get serious about working together to come up with a way to appear to take decisive action without actually solving anything.

On a brighter note: Two months after superstorm Sandy ravaged New York, electrical power is finally restored to all areas of the city. It is immediately turned back off by order of Mayor Bloomberg, on the grounds that electricity can be used to watch television, which the mayor notes is a leading cause of obesity. In retaliation, the San Francisco City Council bans molecules, noting that they are "a key ingredient in sugar."

Speaking of consumer danger: In the largest product recall ever, the Food and Drug Administration orders supermarkets to pull 148 million of the new Iranian-made Twinkies off the shelves after one of them explodes, obliterating most of Cleveland.

In science news, physicists announce that they think they might have discovered a totally new tiny invisible particle, named the "Weems foomple," which the scientists say could be even more important than the Higgs boson, although to be absolutely certain that it truly exists they say they are going to need, quote, "billions more research dollars," as well as "a large boat."

On a more troubling note, NASA scientists announce that their analysis of data transmitted back to Houston by the Curiosity Waco Rover shows conclusively that the Earth is uninhabitable. In a related development, on December 21, exactly as predicted by the Mayan calendar, the entire planet is devastated by an apocalyptic event, but everyone is too busy texting to notice.

As the year finally draws to close, a festive crowd gathers in Times Square for the traditional New Year's Eve illuminated ball drop, counting down the seconds and cheering the magical moment when, at the stroke of midnight, the ball is destroyed by an unmanned Predator drone. This seems to be a bad omen. Yet, as 2013 dawns, there is hope that maybe, just maybe, the new year will be better; that this will be the year when we finally break the cycle of perpetual idiocy, the year when, at long last, we find a way to...

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# LETTERS LETTERS OPINIONS

## No Fan of the Camden Conference —

The Camden Conference, a yearly ramble on US foreign policy, is based mostly in the conceit of “American exceptionalism.” That is, We Know Best. Retired foreign service people gather at the Opera House to congratulate themselves on America’s superior values and noble efforts “spreading democracy,” code dialogue for protecting overseas capitalism. Neither speakers nor attendees have a stake in the conference’s conclusions. By and large most are retired and their views irrelevant. Cushy government pensions run from aisle A to aisle Z. Locals call it the wind-bag conference.

Since key elements of our foreign policies are secret, the talks are superfluous.

Opinions expressed define a narrow vision, one of American militarism, corporate dominance and exploitation. Attendant back-slapping and self-congratulation go hand in glove. Opposing opinions, calling for world peace or equitable dealings with the third world are verboten. Neither Noam Chomsky nor Julian Assange will be speaking. The conference casts itself as inventive and intriguing, but one discovers, on closer inspection, policies little varied from the corporate/state mantra: military domination, invasion at will, assassination of democratically elected leaders, economic hit men, etc.

The CIA is a clandestine enforcer of American business’ overseas dictums. This ultra-secretive, un-elected body was designed after WWII to circumvent public oversight and international law. Bush-era torture, secret prisons, extraordinary renditions, drones and like programs are immoral and in direct conflict with American values.

Perhaps the Conference might gather scientists and discuss global warming. Or call in the Bush-era crew to explain the lies used to begin the Iraq war. Or explain to us how, in Afghanistan, it takes 11 years plus to subdue a rag tag band of extremists. Then there’s global finance, shrouded in mystery, we’d like to know a bit more about. You know, the LIBOR scandal, all that. What about a detailed power point on where the money went when we handed trillions to the banks, no questions asked. Any of these might make an exciting evening.

A corporate state does not spread democracy, no more than corporations are people. But with TV and the other media in their pocket, and conferences like this one, they are artful indeed with propaganda. A compliant public is necessary for the United States’ ongoing aggression and worldwide greed. Spread democracy? We haven’t supported a democratic movement since 1789. But presenting a hapless public with a make-believe enemy, like the terrorists, is critical for continued aggression. The cover story for violence and mayhem is always our “taking a leadership role.” The Conference’ pompous tone and prep school camaraderie comes off as silly....

This year they dredge up the exploits of outsiders trying to control the Middle East oilfields, but it will be couched in complex arguments about this sandlot and that, with whizz-bang theories and prognostications. The talks will selectively ignore an important sidebar — Israel as a nuclear-armed client state of America. There is no peace in the Middle East because we are more comfortable with a compet-

itive amalgam of struggling economies and religions where we can play one against the next. And get the oil — hello?

The United States is responsible for at least 6 million dead since Vietnam, another total failure. Most were innocents, not combatants. What an ugly burden for the supposed world leader. And why? To boost shareholder value in companies like United Fruit, General Dynamics, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, and Halliburton. Ours is a predatory, psychopathic trail.

This conference ignores America’s mistakes, blindly claiming the high ground over and over. But secret government operatives do not pledge allegiance to you and me, more and more they work for the profits of the few. The Camden Conference is, sadly, a mirror of the hypocrisy and fraud in our national outlook, and the superfluous banter at the Opera House an affront to taxpayers and democratic ideals.

Dennis Lopez  
Rockport

## Interpreting the One-Sentence Amendment—

What did the Founding Fathers mean when they included the right of individuals to “keep and bear arms” in the Second Amendment to the Bill of Rights? The grammatical construction of the one-sentence amendment needs to be studied, I believe.

The Bill of Rights enunciates the rights of the people against tyrannical governments, but the second amendment addresses a law-and-order problem of the new government. The opening phrase “A well-regulated militia” can be interpreted as the need of the new constitutional government to provide law and order when there was not a police force and they didn’t want a standing army.

The first generations relied on local militias for law and order. The Confederate government had called on the States to form militias to put down citizen rebellions against the new nation, as in Shay’s Rebellion in Massachusetts and the Whiskey Rebellion in Appalachia. Militias were also called to put down slave rebellions and to kill “Indians” by the original colonials.

If the Second Amendment were to be proposed today, it would have to be worded according to present-day belief and use. Ad hoc groups like a militia have developed into structured departments, from the Department of Defense which operates globally down to our local police forces. These departments of government have replaced the ad hoc formation of public safety groups. These civic departments are armed by our taxes. They do not have to call on farmers and hunters to lend a hand with their rifles.

The nation is awash in weapons that are only meant to kill people in large numbers instantly. Two hundred years ago, no one imagined such lethality and the carnage they would produce. The Founders were organizing a government and didn’t think too much about children either. The President told us that we now must.

Why are we depending on the NRA to interpret the Bill of Rights? The NRA is not an interest group for rifle-owners. It is a major LOBBY group for the gun industry. How is it that constitutional lawyers, including the President, believe in the individual right to own guns, just as we all believe that free speech is a fundamental democratic right? I think a huge historical mistake has been made and we need to rethink law and order in the nation.

Carmen Lavertu  
Thomaston

Did we all fall off a financial cliff January first? I don’t know because I’ve been busy falling off my own fiscal cliff since 2007 when the housing bubble burst, leaving me with a ringing in my ears and housing bubble pieces all over my yard and my car, not to mention the sticky residue it left on my accounting books. Unlike large car companies and certain mega-



Just  
Saying...

## New Year Prophecies

by Tom Sadowski

Having to submit this column well before publication, I can’t be too current with current events. I can only make predictions like Nostradamus and hope that I get a big fat book deal when people start claiming that predictions I didn’t even make came true. Nostradamus made well over 6,000 prophecies in his published work. Today we call this the “shotgun approach.” Point the barrel in the general direction and you’re bound to be on target with one or more pieces of shot — or “bull-shot” if you will.

Who was Nostradamus anyway? Turns out he was a French guy (a.k.a. Mr. Michel de Nostredame) who lived in the first half of the 1500s and worked as an apothecary — someone who mixes and supplies what passes for medicine or drugs of the time to the local citizenry, large HMOs and, very likely, to himself. Apparently he had quite a good business going since he was a medical professional in the middle of plague-savaged Europe, but he took a couple trips to Italy and like so many other youngsters with a free spirit and a Eurail Pass, started dabbling in the occult and, worst yet, writing — for publication.

Back in the 1500s technological advance moved slowly. The Gutenberg Press, being less than 100 years old, was still new and shiny. It wasn’t really past version 1.02 even though the release of version 2.0 was promised decades ago but it proved buggy, what with the Protestant Reformation, the Inquisition and the letter J being introduced into the English language all at the same time. Nostradamus, being an early adaptor, took to writing an almanac which he apparently couldn’t market under the title “Poor Nostredame’s Almanac,” so he switched publishers and sold a jillion copies under such gripping titles as “Almanac for 1565.”

The almanacs didn’t make predictions about the weather or farming yields — or maybe they did. It’s hard to say with Nostradamus since everything he wrote, especially in his runaway best-selling paperback “The Prophecies,” was written in quatrains: four-line poems. Even more confounding, they were written in French with a dose of Latin, Greek, Italian and quite possibly urban Spanglish to hide the intended meaning in order to keep the religious right and Fox News off his back.

Translated into English, the quatrains are often vague, undated and confusing, like this nonsensical example from one of the almanac’s chapters on weather, farming, romance and politics:

It might rain or it may not,  
But plant your seeds, give it a shot.  
Kardashians primp and up they spiff,  
Obama and Boehner, off a cliff.

As you can see, the verse, like everyday life, makes no sense at all.

So let’s go out on a limb here and make some predictions. In this new year, I’m going to say that we still won’t have flying cars and jetpacks, or even regular cars, taking us anywhere, largely because of fuel costs. We will develop new miracle drugs and medical procedures that most of us won’t be able to afford and we will buy more stuff that we will not have room to store, yet, curiously, we won’t be any happier.

Congress usually holds off on resolving hot-button issues until the very last minute so I am going to predict that by the time you read this, we will not be falling off any cliff. Of course, going out on a limb assumes the risk that the limb will break, and if it does, I guess I’ll see you when I tumble by down that steep slope.

Oh wait. I just heard something snap. It’s either the limb, or the Kardashians have started their long-planned invasion of earth. Never mind, it was just another piece of the housing bubble hitting my property.

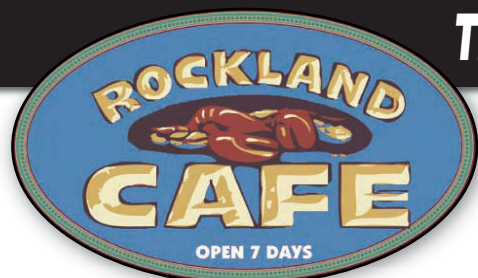
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E-mail sent to [sadowski@tidewater.net](mailto:sadowski@tidewater.net) has no hope  
of reaching the author if indeed the Kardashians  
have invaded. Everyone, run for your lives!

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**Elks’ Annual Christmas Basket Project —** Rockland Lodge of Elks #1008 prepared Christmas baskets containing a holiday meal for 90 midcoast families on Saturday morning, December 22, at the Lodge Hall. Shown here are Elks members and their families who volunteered that day to help prepare and deliver the baskets. Each year for as long as anyone alive can remember the Lodge has conducted their annual Christmas Basket Project, and for the past decade or more has worked with the local Salvation Army to generate the list of recipients. Each “basket” of food includes all of the fixins’ for a Christmas meal. Baskets are delivered to the designated families as they are filled. Of all the Elks’ projects, the holiday project draws the largest number of volunteers every year.





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**Local Student to Give Slide Talk on Icelandic Eco-Village, Environmental Responsibility –**

Margaret Hoyt will give a free slide talk on her recent visit to Sólheimar Eco-Village in Iceland and discuss environmental responsibility on Tuesday, January 8, at 7 p.m. in the large community room at the St. George Town Office. All are welcome, especially students, to this talk, sponsored by the St. George Conservation Commission and the Friends of St. George. Hoyt, a graduate of Trekkers and Georges Valley High School, is majoring in Ecology and Environmental Sciences in her senior year at the University of Maine. She traveled to Iceland through CELL (Center for Ecological Living and Learning), a Maine-based study-abroad organization that focuses on environmental, societal and political issues, and lived at Sólheimar, a community making conscious efforts to be as socially and environmentally sustainable as possible. Her group examined facets of today's environmental crisis, including climate change, overconsumption and government corruption, and also solutions such as community gardens and individual lifestyle changes.

**Information Session on 10th-Grade Girls' School for Leadership, Marine Science –**



Coastal Studies for Girls (CSG) will hold an information session in the Atrium Meeting Hall at Skidompha Public Library in Damariscotta on Thursday, January 10, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. CSG, the nation's first and only residential semester school for girls, offers 10th-grade girls from around the country high school credits in Leadership and Marine Science, as well as in Foreign Language, Math, History and English, while living at the school's historic farmhouse at Wolfe's Neck Farm in Freeport. CSG is now accepting applications from 9th-grade girls for either the spring or fall semester of the 2013-2014 school year. Interested sophomore girls are encouraged to inquire, as limited space may be available for this spring semester, which begins February 10. For more information, visit [www.coastalstudiesforgirls.org](http://www.coastalstudiesforgirls.org).

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► **Down East Singers Spring Rehearsals**, 7-9:15 p.m., Nativity Lutheran Church, 179 Old County Rd., Rockport. First rehearsal, meeting Tuesdays for spring season in preparation for Memorial Day concert, with registration and voice-placement checks for new singers starting at 6:15 p.m. FMI: www.downeastsingers.org, 701-7352.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9:**

► **CHRHS Band Winter Concert**, 7 p.m., Strom Auditorium, Camden Hills Regional H.S., Rockport, featuring the concert and jazz band. Suggested admission is a nonperishable food item for local pantries. Snow date Thurs., Jan. 10.

► **USM String Quartet Performance, Music at Noon series**, Farnsworth Art Museum Library, Rockland. 50-minute program of the 1913 Sonata for Violin and Piano by Jacques de la Presle. \$25/\$20 members, includes lunch, as well as free admission to the museum. FMI: baychamberconcerts.org, 236-2823.

► **Midcoast Actors Studio Open Auditions**, 6-9 p.m., Troy Howard Middle School, 173 Lincolnville Ave., Belfast. Open auditions with MCAS Artistic Director Jason Bannister for anyone age 16 and older. Bring two contrasting monologues; memorization strongly encouraged but not required. The group focuses on plays; do not bring material from musical theater; also bring a photo. Traditional theater resumes welcome. Other stage jobs available. FMI: jasontririna@gmail.com.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 10:**

► **January Music Series at Savory Maine Dining**, 6-8 p.m., 11 Water St., Damariscotta. Tonight: Peter Alexander.

► **Staged Reading of Copenhagen**, 6:30 p.m., Jonathan Frost Gallery, Winter St., Rockland. Also: Sun., Jan. 20, 2 p.m., UU Church, Belfast; & Sun., Jan. 27, 2 p.m., CMCA, Rockport. Michael Frayn's play will be read by local actors Dean Jorgenson, Peter Conant and Elisabeth Goodridge, directed by Eileen Wilkinson, about the nuclear dilemma in the Middle East. Presented as part of the Camden Conference Community Events series. Free. FMI: www.camdenconference.org, 236-1034.

**COMING UP:**

► **Midcoast Community Chorus Performance of "One Song at a Time,"** Sat., Jan. 12, 7 p.m., Peakes Auditorium, Bangor H.S., and Sun., Jan. 13, 4 p.m., Strom Auditorium, Camden Hills Regional H.S., Rockport. World premiere performances by the chorus of an original composition by Maine musician Paul Sullivan. Bangor: \$15, www.rivermusic.com. Rockport: \$15,

reserve seating, \$30, side orch. \$22, 975-0582, info@mccsings.org. Snow dates for Bangor: Sat., Jan. 19; Rockport; Sun., Jan. 20. FMI: 222.mccsings.org.

► **Trekkers Battle of the Bands**, Sat., Jan. 12, 7 p.m., Strand Theatre, Rockland. Several local bands compete to win a cash prize and title of "Bus Band 2013." Seating limited. All proceeds benefit Trekkers. Chem-free event for all ages. Tickets or FMI: 594-5095.

► **Open Mike Night**, Sun., Jan. 13, 6-7:30 p.m., Federated Church, 8 Hyler St., Thomaston. Young performers invited, school age through young adult. To be held in the church fellowship room. Local songwriter and singer Patrick Chamberlin will emcee. Refreshments. FMI or to pre-register: call Pastor Annette Mott at 737-9979, or Gail Robinson at 354-8117.

## CHILDREN'S & TEENS' EVENTS

**FRIDAY, JAN. 4:**

► **Gymnastics Team Tryouts**, 5 p.m., Central Lincoln County YMCA, 525 Main St., Damariscotta. \$10 registration. All gymnastics classes will be offered in sessions starting in January. FMI: clcymca.org or 563-3477.

► **Mid-Coast Music Together Story Hour**, 11 a.m.-noon, Thomaston Public Library Children's Room, 60 Main St. Music and movement with Jess Day. Free. FMI: 354-2453.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 5:**

► **Wild West Party**, 2 p.m., Rockland Public Library. Includes games, group activities, costumes, campfire stories and ice cream. FMI: 594-0310, Miss Jean.

► **Kids' Cross Country Ski Clinic**, 9:30-11 a.m., Hidden Valley Nature Center, Egypt Rd, Jefferson. Free. five additional classes in January. FMI: Kristin or Eoin, kmohrstone@yahoo.com, 549-5674.

**TUESDAY, JAN. 8:**

► **Toddler Music Time Program**, 10:30 a.m., Gibbs Library, Washington, through Feb. 12. For toddlers and their caregivers. Free. FMI: 845-2663.

► **Children's Drawing Workshops**, Tues., Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, 4-5 p.m., Community Room, Rockland Public Library. Artist Catinka Knoth leads workshops Tues. for ages 6 & up; under 10 should be accompanied by an adult. January's subjects are winter animals and scenes. Free; materials provided. FMI: 594-0310.

► **Midcoast Music Together Classes**, Families with young children, newborn to

age 5: 1:30-2:15 p.m., Thomaston Yoga Studio, Main St.; Wed., Jan. 9, 10:15-11 a.m., Waterfall Arts, High St., Belfast; Fri., Jan. 11, 10:15-11 a.m., UME Coop Extension, 377 Manktown Rd., Waldoboro. Weds., Jan. 9, 4-5 p.m. & Sat., Jan. 12, Families with children ages 5, 6, 7: Bay Chamber Community Music School, Rockport. Families with babies age newborn to 8 mos.: Fri., Jan. 18, 11:15-noon, Picker Family Resource Center, Pen Bay, Rockport. RSVP: 593-6645, www.midcoastmusicotogether.

**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9:**

► **Planetarium Show for Kids**, 4:30 p.m., Belfast Library. For 3rd-, 4th- and 5th-graders, Northern Stars Planetarium will give a show about the sun, stars, and planets in the sky this month. Call to reserve a space: Cloe Chunn, 338-1147.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 10:**

► **Coastal Studies for Girls Information Session**, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Atrium Meeting Hall, Skidompha Public Library,, Damariscotta. Tenth-grade girls from around the country can get high school credits in Leadership and Marine Science as well as Foreign Language, Math, History and English while living at the school's historic farmhouse at Wolfe's Neck Farm. Semester begins Feb. 10. FMI: www.coastalstudiesforgirls.org.

**COMING UP:**

► **Puzzle and Board Game Swap**, Sat., Jan. 12, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Rockland Public Library. Bring gently used (no missing pieces, please) board games and puzzles for people of all ages, through Thurs., Jan. 10. Donators will receive a ticket to pick out a new-for-you game at the swap. Free and open to all. FMI: 594-0310.

**ONGOING:**

► **Vose Library Story Time**, Fri., 10:15 a.m., 392 Common Rd., Union. Songs & finger plays for babies and toddlers; story & activity for older children. FMI: 785-4733.

► **CarryMe Babywearing Support Group**, Fri., 10 a.m., Vose Library, Union. Learn how to wear your baby in a sling or carrier or share your experiences. FMI: 785-2849.

► **Warren Public Library Story Time**, Thurs., 10 a.m. Read-aloud stories and a related activity or craft. Free for children of all ages. FMI: 273-2900.

► **Story Hour at Waldoboro Public Library**, Wed., 10:15 a.m. Miss Connie reads stories and presents crafts for preschool-age children. FMI: 832-4484.

► **God's Lighthouse Church Youth Group**, Thurs., 6 p.m., 78 So. Main St.,

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### Film on How Ravi Shankar Brought Indian Music to the West at Rockland Library –

Rockland Public Library will present a free screening of the film “Raga: A Journey into the Soul of India” on Thursday, January 10, at 6:30 p.m. A discussion, led by Bill Halpin and Saskia Huising, will follow. “Raga,” directed by Howard Worth, documents the life of sitar

master Ravi Shankar in the late 1960s and early '70s, as he introduced Indian classical music in the West decades before “world music” became a popular genre. Through rare footage shot in India and the United States, the film sheds light on Shankar’s influences and musical collaborations, and his associations with Western musicians Yehudi Menuhin and George Harrison. The showing is by permission of East Meets West Music, the official recording label of the Ravi Shankar Foundation. The evening is one in a continuing Thursday evening series of literary, film and musical offerings sponsored by the Library and the Friends of the Rockland Public Library. Special accommodations for persons with disabilities can be made with 48 hours’ notice; call the library at 594-0310.

## Documentaries to Be Screened at Belfast Library for January

Friday Night Flicks, the Belfast Free Library’s film series, will spotlight documentaries with four nonfiction films in January. All films are presented free of charge at 7 p.m. in the Abbott Room of the library, 106 High Street.

On January 4, director Werner Herzog’s “Cave of Forgotten Dreams” explores the prehistoric images on the walls of Chauvet Cave in France, the oldest known artwork in the world, and through them the nature of art itself.

The January 11 film is “Capturing the Friedmans.” When Andrew Jarecki set out to make a documentary about children’s party entertainers, he had no idea that he would stumble into learning about one family’s terrible history. This film involves disturbing subject matter and may not be suitable for sensitive viewers.

On January 18, “Mr. Death: The Rise and Fall of Fred A. Leuchter, Jr.” is Errol Morris’s character study of a self-styled expert on methods of execution whose downfall began when he became immersed in the world of Holocaust denial.

The January 25 film is “Man on Wire,” the 2009 winner of the Academy Award for Best Documentary, which tells the story of French high-wire artist Philippe Petit, who, in 1974, strung a wire between the two towers of the World Trade Center, and stepped out into the space between the buildings.

## Classic Comedies at Thomaston Library

The Friends of Thomaston Public Library will present “Comedies of Yesteryear” for their Friday Night Films for January. All films will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Academy building at 60 Main Street, and are open to the public and free of charge, though donations are gratefully accepted; light refreshments will be served.

On January 4, the movie is 1942’s “To Be or Not to Be” (99 minutes). Joseph Tura (Jack Benny) leads a ragtag band of actors in Nazi-occupied Poland, who come to the aid of an American soldier (Robert Stack) working with the Resistance.

In January 11’s “The Court Jester” (1956, 101 minutes), the infant king of England is deposed by a wicked pretender, and the man charged with tending the baby monarch tries to set things right. The movie stars Danny Kaye, Glynis Johns, Angela Lansbury and Basil Rathbone.

On January 18, the screwball romantic comedy “Midnight” (1939, 94 minutes) stars Claudette Colbert as an out-of-work American showgirl who arrives in Paris with only the evening gown on her back and in the course of her first evening there is mistaken for a visiting Hungarian baroness.

For January 25’s “The Talk of the Town” (1942, 118 minutes), Cary Grant stars as Leopold, an activist wrongly imprisoned for a crime he didn’t commit. Facing execution, he breaks out of jail and takes a job as a gardener for a teacher, Nora (Jean Arthur). The movie earned seven Oscars, including Best Picture.

The Thomaston Academy Building is handicapped-accessible from the rear entrance. For more information, call the library at 354-2453.

## New on DVD & Blu-ray

### Just Released 1/1 –

**COSMOPOLIS** R/Drama/Dir: David Cronenberg (Robert Pattinson, Paul Giamatti) Eric Packer, a 28-year-old billionaire asset manager, heads out in his tricked-out stretch limo, while remotely wagering his company’s massive fortune on a bet against the Chinese Yuan. His trip across the city quickly turns into a wild, hypnotic odyssey as he encounters explosive city riots and a parade of provocative visitors. Having started the day with everything, Packer’s world is about to implode.

### Recent Releases –

**THE BOURNE LEGACY** PG-13/Action/Dir: Tony Gilroy (Jeremy Renner, Rachel Weisz, Edward Norton) An expansion of the universe from Robert Ludlum’s novels, centered on a new hero whose actions have been triggered by the events of the previous three films.

**BRAVE** PG/Animated/Dirs: Mark Andrews, Brenda Chapman (Kelly Macdonald, Billy Connolly, Julie Walters, Robbie Coltrane) Scottish princess Merida is an expert archer determined not to marry the sons of three noblemen who are presented as suitors to her royal parents. Her mother Elinor is angry, prompting the princess to seek out a witch and purchase a spell that will change her mother’s mind. Instead, the spell transforms the queen into a black bear. The princess and her mother make their escape into the forest where Merida has just two days to undo the curse before her mother loses all human memory and the spell becomes permanent.

**THE DARK KNIGHT RISES** PG-13/Action, Fantasy/Dir: Christopher Nolan (Christian Bale, Michael Caine, Gary Oldman, Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy, Marion Cotillard, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Morgan Freeman, Liam Neeson) Eight years on, a new terrorist leader, Bane, overwhelms Gotham’s finest, and the Dark Knight resurfaces to protect a city that has branded him an enemy.

**DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: DOG DAYS** PG/Comedy/Dir: David Bowers (Zachary Gordon, Robert Capron, Devon Bostick, Steve Zahn) As Greg grapples with the prospect of yet another boring summer, he feels increasingly the victim of his parents’ expectations. Greg steadfastly avoids chores and all structured activities, eventually paying the price. He continues to aspire to impress his pretty classmates, but mostly succeeds in making a fool of himself, and his only real friend, chubby Rowley Jefferson. Based on Jeff Kinney’s books.

**LOOPER** R/Sci-Fi/Dir: Rian Johnson (Bruce Willis, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Emily Blunt) In 2074, when the mob wants to get rid of someone, the target is sent 30 years into the past, where a hired gun awaits – someone like Joe, who one day learns the mob wants to “close the loop” by transporting back Joe’s future self.

**PROMETHEUS** R/Sci-Fi/Dir: Ridley Scott (Noomi Rapace, Michael Fassbender, Charlize Theron) A team of explorers discover a clue to the origins of mankind on Earth, leading them on a journey to the darkest corners of the universe. There, they must fight a terrifying battle to save the future of the human race.

**TROUBLE WITH THE CURVE** PG-13/Drama/Dir: Robert Lorenz (Clint Eastwood, Amy Adams, John Goodman) An ailing baseball scout in his twilight years takes his daughter along for one last recruiting trip.

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Short descriptions of movies that are playing locally

**DJANGO UNCHAINED** R/Western/Dir: Quentin Tarantino (Jamie Foxx, Christoph Waltz, Leonardo DiCaprio, Kerry Washington, Samuel L. Jackson) With the help of his German mentor, a slave-turned-bounty-hunter sets out to rescue his wife from a brutal Mississippi plantation owner.

**THE GUILT TRIP** PG-13/Comedy/Dir: Anne Fletcher (Barbra Streisand, Seth Rogen, Kathy Najimy, Miriam Margolyes) As inventor Andy Brewster is about to embark on the road trip of a lifetime, a quick stop at his mom’s house turns into an unexpected cross-country voyage with her along for the ride.

**HITCHCOCK** PG-13/Drama/Dir: Sacha Gervasi (Anthony Hopkins, Helen Mirren, Scarlett Johansson, Toni Collette, Danny Huston, Jessica Biel) Lurking behind Alfred Hitchcock – cinema’s “master of suspense” and the extraordinary film icon known for orchestrating some of the most intense experiences of menace and intrigue audiences have ever seen – was a hidden side: his creatively explosive romance with his steadfast wife and filmmaking collaborator, Alma Reville.

**THE HOBBIT: AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY** PG-13/Adventure/Dir: Peter Jackson (Martin Freeman, Ian McKellen, Richard Armitage) A curious Hobbit, Bilbo Baggins, journeys to the Lonely Mountain with a vigorous group of Dwarves to reclaim a treasure stolen from them by the dragon Smaug.

**JACK REACHER** PG-13/Action/Dir: Christopher McQuarrie (Tom Cruise, Rosamund Pike, Richard Jenkins, David Oyelowo, Joseph Sikora, Werner Herzog, Robert Duvall) A homicide investigator digs deeper into a case involving a trained military sniper who shot five random victims.

**LES MISÉRABLES** PG-13/Musical Drama/Dir: Tom Hooper (Hugh Jackman, Russell Crowe, Anne Hathaway, Amanda Seyfried) In 19th-century France, Jean Valjean, who for decades has been hunted by the ruthless policeman Javert after he breaks parole, agrees to care for factory worker Fantine’s daughter, Cosette. The fateful decision changes their lives forever.

**LINCOLN** PG-13/Drama/Dir: Steven Spielberg (Daniel Day-Lewis, Sally Field, David Strathairn, James Spader, Tommy Lee Jones) As the Civil War continues to rage, America’s president struggles with carnage on the battlefield and fights with many inside his own cabinet on the decision to emancipate the slaves.

**MONSTERS INC.** G/Comedy - Animation/Dirs: Peter Doctor, David Silverman and Lee Unkrich (Billy Crystal, John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, Jennifer Tilly) Kids don’t scare as easily as they used to — a potential crisis at Monsters Inc., a corporation of scary creatures dependent on children’s frightened screams for its energy source. One-eyed Mike teams up with Sully to return a little girl to the human world.

**PARENTAL GUIDANCE** PG/Comedy/Dir: Andy Fickman (Billy Crystal, Bette Midler, Marisa Tomei) Artie and Diane agree to look after their three grandkids when their type-A helicopter parents need to leave town for work. Problems arise when the kids’ 21st-century behaviors collide with Artie and Diane’s old-school methods.

**PROMISED LAND** R/Drama/Dir: Gus Van Sant (Matt Damon, Frances McDormand, John Krasinski) A salesman for a natural gas company experiences life-changing events after arriving in a small town, where his corporation wants to tap into the available resources.

**TEXAS CHAINSAW** R/Horror/Dir: John Luessenhop (Alexandra Daddario, Tania Raymonde, Scott Eastwood) A young woman travels to Texas to collect an inheritance; little does she know that an encounter with a chainsaw-wielding killer is part of the reward.

**THIS IS 40** R/Comedy/Dir: Judd Apatow (Paul Rudd, Leslie Mann, Jason Segel) A husband and wife both approach a milestone in this unfiltered, comedic look inside the life of an American family. A look at the lives of Pete and Debbie a few years after the events of the film “Knocked Up.”

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► **Weekly Story Hour**, Fri., 11 a.m., Thomaston Public Library, 60 Main St., Thomaston Academy building. Children must be accompanied by an adult or family member. FMI: 354-2453 during library hours. Free.

► **Rockland Public Library Story Times**, Wed. & Sat., for preschoolers, 10:30 a.m.; Fri., Baby Story Time, 10 a.m. Free. FMI: 594-0310.

► **Toy Library**, Thurs. & Fri., 9 a.m.-noon, St. Peter's Church, White St., Rockland, next to Rec. Dept. playground. Play time for children up to age 5, toys to check out for home play and parenting resources. Nominal fee; scholarships available.

► **Children's Activities at Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens**, Barbers Island Rd., Boothbay: **Storytime at the Gardens**, 10 a.m., Sat., Sun., Mon. in the Education Center through the winter. Free.

► **Stockton Springs Library Story Hour**, first and third Sat., 10-11 a.m., Main St. FMI: www.stocktonspringlibrary.org.

► **Gibbs Library Story Hour**, Tues., 10 a.m., 40 Old Union Rd., Washington. Reading and crafts. FMI: 845-2663.

## FILM

**FRIDAY, JAN. 4 -**

**THURSDAY, JAN. 10:**

► **COLONIAL THEATRE**, Belfast: "Lincoln," "The Hobbit," "Parental Guidance." See ad below for movie days/times.

► **FLAGSHIP CINEMAS 10**, Thomaston: "Promised Land," "Les Misérables," "Parental Guidance," "Django: Unchained," "Jack Reacher," "This Is 40," "Monsters, Inc.," "The Guilt Trip," "The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey," "Lincoln," "Texas Chainsaw," see ad below for movie times.

► **STRAND THEATRE**, 345 Main St., Rockland: "Hitchcock," see ad below for movie days/times. FMI: 594-0070.

**FRIDAY, JAN. 4:**

► **Thomaston Friday Night Film Series**, 6:30 p.m., Thomaston Public Library, Academy building. January. theme: "Comedies of Yesteryear." In "To Be or Not to Be," Jack Benny stars as a leader of a ragtag band of actors in Nazi-occupied Poland, with costars Robert Stack and Carol Lombard (1942).

► **"Beauty Is Embarrassing,"** 8 p.m., A funny, irreverent, joyful 2012 documentary about the life and times of American artist Wayne White. A First Friday film co-presented by the Farnsworth Museum & the Strand. Not rated. \$8.50/\$7.50 Farnsworth members. FMI: www.RocklandStrand.com.

► **Friday Night Flicks**, 7 p.m., Belfast Public Library, 106 High St. January's film series spotlights documentaries. Tonight: "Cave of Forgotten Dreams," directed by Werner Herzog,

explores the prehistoric images on the walls of Chauvet Cave in France, the oldest known artwork in the world. Free.

**SATURDAY, JAN. 5:**

► **"Stillness Amidst the World: Talks at the Findhorn Community in Scotland,"** 1:30 p.m., Camden Public Library. Eckhart Tolle's film, Part 2. Cosponsored by Resonance Arts.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 6:**

► **"Chasing Ice,"** 3:30 p.m., Strand Theatre, 345 Main St., Rockland. New film series, "The Short List: The Strand's Best Documentaries of 2012," kicks off with a film about acclaimed environmental photographer James Balog's mission of deploying revolutionary time-lapse cameras across the brutal Arctic to record a multi-year record of changing glaciers.

**THURSDAY, JAN. 10:**

► **"Raga,"** 6:30 p.m., Rockland Public Library. Free screening of "Raga: A Journey into the Soul of India," directed by Howard Worth, documenting the life of sitar master Ravi Shankar. Discussion follows.

## ART

**FRIDAY, JAN. 4:**

► **Artist/Farmer Project Exhibitions**, CSA: Community Supporting Arts, a yearlong project partnering artists and farmers concludes with three exhibits. Openings for Belfast exhibitions: 5-8 p.m., Maine Farmland Trust Gallery, 97 Main St., and UMaine Hutchinson Center, 80 Belmont Ave. Both shows on view through Wed., Feb. 27. Brunswick opening: Fri., Jan. 11, 5-8 p.m., Frontier, Fort Andross Mill, 14 Maine St., on view through Sun., Feb. 24. Other venues or more information: csaart.org.

► **"Prints: Breaking Boundaries,"** Artist reception during First Friday Art walk, 5-8 p.m., Lewis Gallery, Portland Public Library, 5 Monument Sq. Works of 35 Maine artists curated by Bruce Brown, sponsored by Center for Maine Contemporary Art. Through Feb. 23.

► **Works of Marlene Barter**, artist reception, 4-6 p.m., Rising Tide Co-op Café, Damariscotta. Wine tasting (for those 21 & up). Through January 26. FMI: 563-5556.

► **Vacationland Postcard Exhibit**, Belfast Co-op Café. Historic photographs from the Penobscot Marine Museum. Through January.

**SUNDAY, JAN. 6:**

► **Digital Photography Workshop**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Parent Gallery, 92 Main St., Belfast. Beginners' digital photography workshop, continuing each Sunday through January. Space limited. FMI or to register: 338-1553, nparent@midcoast.com.

**MONDAY, JAN. 7:**

► **Free Art Workshops for Adults**, Mon., Jan. 7, 14 & 28 (library closed Jan. 21), 11 a.m., Community Room, Rockland Public Library, 80 Union St. Led by Catinka

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**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9:**

► **Native Americans of the Southwest Exhibition**, Gibbs Library, Washington. Show of paintings by Henry C. Toll that document Southwest Indian cultures. Opening reception Sat., Jan. 12, from 4-6 p.m. Through March 6.

► **Printmaking Class**, 6-9 p.m., Round-top Farm, Damariscotta. Monoprints, gelatin prints, relief prints and other modes demonstrated. No experience needed. \$40 includes materials. FMI or to register: 701-1304, midcoastprintmakers.org.

**COMING UP:**

► **Digital Photography Course**, begins Tues., Jan. 15, 7 p.m., University College at Rockland, Tues. & Thurs. evenings. "Photographic Vision and Digital Discovery" (ART 109), 3-credit college course taught by instructor Dee Peppé. FMI or to register: 596-6906.

**ONGOING:**

► **"Setting the Table: Six Designer Tableaux with Maine Artists and Artisans,"** Messler Gallery at Center for Furniture Craftmanship, Rte. 90 & Mill St., Rockport. Six interior designers pair with six top furniture makers and galleries to create dining tableaux that feature Maine artists. Through Jan. 8.

► **Portland Museum of Art**, 7 Congress Sq. **"Between Past and Present: Historic Photographic Processes and the Winslow Homer Studio,"** fourth floor, Portland Museum of Art, Seven Congress Sq. Exhibit of contemporary photographs of Homer's studio — architectural studies, views of the landscape, interior scenes, and still lifes — made with processes available during Homer's lifetime. Through Jan. 20. **"The Portland Society of Art and Winslow Homer's Legacy in Maine,"** exhibition examines the artistic relationship between the painter Winslow Homer, architect John Calvin Stevens, and the early years of the Portland Society of Art. Architectural drawings and a range of paintings and watercolors by Homer and his Maine contemporaries provide a deeper understanding of Portland's art world at the turn of the last century. Through Feb. 3.

**"Decorating the Everyday: Popular Art,"** Farnsworth Art Museum, Rockland. Exhibition of folk art, with furniture, paintings and textiles reflecting 19th & early 20th century regional life in Maine and New England. Through Sept. FMI: www.farnsworthmuseum.org.

► **"Keeping Warm,"** Penobscot Marine Museum, Searsport. Exhibit includes 19th-century quilts and clothing, tools and crafts, toys, sports equipment and historic photos. Through Feb. 24.

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 12:20, 3:45, 7:10 (R, 2:55)  
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**This Is 40**  
 12:40, 4:00, 7:05, Fri. & Sat. 9:45 (R, 2:23)  
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 12:00, 3:30, 7:00 (PG-13, 3:00)  
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 12:30, 3:55, 7:20 (PG-13, 2:40)  
**Texas Chainsaw** (30)  
 1:30, 7:25, Fri. & Sat. 9:35 (R, 1:42)  
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**The Guilt Trip**  
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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## MISCELLANEOUS

### THURSDAY, JAN. 3:

- **Keep S'myelin — Midcoast MS Awareness Group Meeting**, 11:30 a.m., Kno-Wal-Lin Home Care and Hospice, 170 Pleasant St., Rockland. Meeting will feature discussion of living wills, durable power of attorney, medical power of attorney, and DNR orders, presented by Dorn McMahon, LCSW. Meeting for those with multiple sclerosis, their families, caregivers and friends. FMI: David Desjardins, 785-5100.
- **Guided Snowshoe Tour**, 10 a.m.-noon, Thurs. in Jan., Hidden Valley Nature Center, Jefferson. Explore a different trail each time. Suggested donation: \$5.

### SATURDAY, JAN. 5:

- **Mixed Doubles Tennis Fundraiser**, 8 a.m., Mid-Coast Recreation Center, Rockport. Pen Bay Healthcare hosts a tournament to benefit "Let's Go," a program promoting healthy eating and active living to children and families. \$50. Team sign-up at [www.penbayhealthcaretennis.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.penbayhealthcaretennis.brownpapertickets.com). FMI: Betsy Saltonstall, 594-6709.
- **Revolutionary Resolutions Workshop**, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Teen Center, Knowlton St., Camden. Ninth annual New Year's Resolutions from the Inside Out. Assess 2012 and plan to make 2013 better yet. \$35 includes materials, presented by Nancy Lubin. FMI: [nancy@intention.com](mailto:nancy@intention.com) or 596-9855.
- **Talk on Astronomy**, 2 p.m., Community Room, Rockland Public Library. Ron Thompson of Southern Maine Astronomers will present "Everything You Ever Wanted

Know About Astronomy but Never Asked," with inspection the library's new Orion Starblast telescope, available for checkout at the reference desk. FMI: 594-0310.

- **"Simply Books,"** 2 p.m., Camden Public Library. Book group for adults; bring along whatever book you're currently reading and share it with the group.
- **Maine Media Women Meeting**, 9:15 a.m., Mobius Center, Damariscotta. "Member Showcase" featuring Janice Lindsay, Daphne Stern, Peggy Gannon. Open to the public. Suggested donation: \$3 members/\$5 guests.
- **Downeast School of Massage Open House**, 1 p.m., 99 Moose Meadow Lane, off Rte. 220 N., Waldoboro. Lottery for free massage, tour the school, get information on the profession, curriculum and financing options. FMI: [www.downeastschoolofmassage.net](http://www.downeastschoolofmassage.net), 832-5531.
- **Camden Hills Band and Chorus Bottle Drive**, Donate bottles by dropping them off at Coastal Redemption Center, Camden, and designate CHRHS Band/Chorus (for their trip to Virginia in April). FMI: Tom Griffith, [thomas.griffith.maine@gmail.com](mailto:thomas.griffith.maine@gmail.com).
- **Flea Market**, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Thompson Community Center, South Union Rd., Rte. 131, Union. Snack Bar and Thrift Shop will be open until 2 p.m. FMI: 975-0352, [thompsoncenter51@gmail.com](mailto:thompsoncenter51@gmail.com).

### SUNDAY, JAN. 6:

- **Russian New Year Party**, 2-4 p.m., Penobscot School, 28 Gay St., Rockland. Bring a Russian-style dish (& 10 copies of your recipe to share) for potluck. Music from Russia, and instructors on hand with information about language classes. FMI: 594-1084.
- **MOFGA Gathering**, 2-4 p.m., Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association

Exhibition Hall, Education Center, Unity. Potluck refreshments served at 3 p.m. Tribute to memory of its long-serving executive director Russell Libby. FMI: [mofga.org](http://mofga.org).

- **Belfast Curling Club Beginners' Class**, 12:30-2:30 p.m. or 3-5 p.m., 211 Belmont Ave. (Route 3), Belfast. Learn to Curl, \$10 per person. To register, go to [www.belfastcurlingclub.org](http://www.belfastcurlingclub.org), click on "Learn to Curl" under Events, or call Steve McLaughlin, 685-9540.

### MONDAY, JAN. 7:

- **Yoga for Pregnancy**, 6-7 p.m., Belfast Public Library. Free presentation on yoga for pregnancy, birth and post-partum recovery. Led by Maria Orlova, RYT and doula. Time for Q&A and networking. Classes begin Jan. 11. FMI: (978) 314-1020, [heartsonyoga@yahoo.com](mailto:heartsonyoga@yahoo.com).
- **Presentation on the Health of the Damariscotta River Estuary**, 6:30-7:45 p.m., Bristol Town Office, 1268 Bristol Rd. (Rte. 130). Sarah Gladu, education coordinator for the Damariscotta River Association, will present her recent findings. Free. FMI: 563-1393, [www.damariscottariver.org](http://www.damariscottariver.org).
- **"Whole Foods Cooking on a Budget,"** 6-8 p.m., High Mountain Hall, Camden. Twice-monthly series on whole foods. Limited to 10 participants, sliding scale of \$40-60. To register, [www.camdenwholehealth.com/therapies/camden-whole-foods-cooking-series](http://www.camdenwholehealth.com/therapies/camden-whole-foods-cooking-series), or [Holly@mindbodynutrition.net](mailto:Holly@mindbodynutrition.net).
- **Appleton Historical Society Meeting**, 7 p.m., Appleton Library, 2916 Sennebec Rd. Jackie & Richard Dunham will speak on neighborhood maple sugaring in Appleton. Slate of 2013 officers announced. Light refreshments served after the meeting.

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**JANUARY 4 - JANUARY 10**



**Friday, January 4** — Mars has been in a favorable aspect with Jupiter since Wednesday. This aspect offers us the energy needed to be productive and have fun at the same time. You're ready and willing to put up a good fight for what you believe in. You can't stand by while injustice takes place or stand still if your rights are taken away. This aspect is with us until midnight. Mercury is conjunct Pluto and they are aspecting Jupiter and Saturn. You need to speak out and express your opinions no matter what anyone thinks of you. This aspect is with us until tomorrow night. We're also feeling the effects of Venus aspecting Saturn (until midnight). Your feelings are apt to be easily hurt because you're worrying about rejection and financial woes, which makes you vulnerable. All this is going on today!

**Saturday, January 5** — Mercury is conjunct Pluto, and they are aspecting Mars, Saturn and Pluto. Wow, that's a lot of mental energy for us to integrate. You have some interesting ideas to speak about. Try not to be too dominating with your wonderful enthusiastic energy. Others also need to express their thoughts. This would be an ideal time for a lively discussion or business meeting of equals. This energy is with us until midnight. The Sun is in an awkward aspect with Neptune today, as well. If your energy is low it's due to this aspect, which is attempting to send a message to rest and relax. Your immune system needs to recharge. You may need to change the foods you're eating. As of today, Mars is in a nasty aspect with Saturn. I say "nasty" because it brings with it obstacles and irritability. This aspect is with us until Monday night. Between 4:15 and 6:15 p.m. it's a fine time for relaxing with friends while the Moon is aspecting Venus.

**Sunday, January 6** — Yes, Mars is still in a "nasty" aspect with Saturn. This also represents blocked energy. You may need to get some exercise. This aspect also brings about headaches and repressed anger surfacing as rage. Exercise could help bring about emotional balance. Fortunately, Mars is also aspecting Pluto, nicely. You can push yourself to do what needs to get done. You can wrestle up the determination and motivation that you need. Mercury is still conjunct Pluto in Capricorn (since Friday) and is nicely aspecting Saturn until midnight. This aspect is excellent for writers' concentration. It's also an ideal time for implementing self discipline. You'll probably be feeling a lack of patience while the Moon is harshly aspecting Mars from 3 to 5 p.m.

**Monday, January 7** — This is the last day that Mars is in a nasty aspect with Saturn. Not only are there obstacles, but you're apt to be so self-critical right now that your confidence feels as if it is sinking. This would not be the day

to start a new project; it would be "destined" to fail. From 8:45 to 10:45 p.m. the Moon will be awkwardly aspecting Uranus. Your emotions are likely to be unstable. Of course, everything is always changing. It's the very nature of life in the universe.

**Tuesday, January 8** — Venus is going to be in a positive aspect with Neptune until Thursday, starting this morning. This aspect suggests a romantic few days when you can allow your idealistic fantasies to blossom. A romance that begins today would stand a good chance of being long-term, if your individual charts support that fact. Could it be? Yes, it could. From 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. the Moon will be in a favorable aspect with Uranus, increasing creativity and intuition. Between 5 and 8 p.m. the Moon will comfortably aspect Saturn and Pluto, a fine time to study something complicated. Your physical energy picks up from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., when the Moon aspects Mars. Venus enters Capricorn at 11:11 p.m. and remains in this sensual earthy sign until February 2. Take time in trusting someone new. They need to earn your respect. Observe well. Take your time entering a new relationship.

**Wednesday, January 9** — The Moon in Sagittarius will be in a positive aspect with the Sun in Capricorn from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m., finding you pondering ideas that came to mind last night or in your dream state. Venus is aspecting Neptune until tomorrow at 8 a.m. Your ideals are high and it feels good to allow yourself to imagine what you want to happen happening. This aspect isn't just about a lovely personal romance. It includes imagining a better world. A rugged time today will be from 6:15 to 9 p.m. while the Moon aspects both Saturn and Pluto. Fears surface and it's hard to hold onto the idealistic vision. Keep at it.

**Thursday, January 10** — With Venus aspecting Neptune until 8 a.m. there's energy, a frequency if you will, that suggests that wisdom which comes from women (or the feminine wisdom within men) will make an impact for the better. It has to do with the economy. Venus is now entering an aspect with Uranus that will be with us until Saturday night. Romantics beware; this is an aspect that screams out for independence and "space." Don't ask about defining the relationship. Not now. Today, until midnight, Mercury will be in an awkward aspect with Neptune. It's always a problem for decision making when these two planets are in conflict. Your thinking is fuzzy at best. It is good, however, for fantasizing, but not for being productive.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## TUESDAY, JAN. 8:

► **"Budgeting: Improving Your Relationship with Money,"** 7 p.m., Camden Public Library. Linda Buckmaster presents "Money Habitudes" that will help you with your money practices.

► **Tuesday Walkers,** meet at 10 a.m. at the back of Hutchinson Center parking lot, Rte. 3, Belfast. Hike the newest section of the Little River Community Trail. Bring water, snack, extra layers. FMI: Cloe Chunn, 338-1147.

► **Slide Talk on Icelandic Eco-Village,** 7 p.m., St. George Town Office. Margaret Hoyt will give a free slide talk on her visit to Sólheimar Eco-Village and discuss aspects of environmental responsibility. Sponsored by St. George Conservation Commission and the Friends of St. George.

► **Camden Philosophical Society Reading Group,** 4 p.m., Camden Public Library. The meeting's first encounter with Ludwig Wittgenstein. All are welcome.

► **Computer Classes Starting,** RSU 13 Adult Education, McLain Building, Rockland. Microsoft Excel II, Word II and Computer Applications II with instructor Cathy VanDyke. FMI: 594-9764, www.rsu13.maineadulted.org.

## WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9:

► **New Hope for Women Support Group,** 12 Court St., Bath. Sagadahoc County support group for women who have been affected by domestic or dating violence, through Feb. 13. To

register: call New Hope for Women, 1-800-522-3304.

## THURSDAY, JAN. 10:

► **"What's Cooking in That Pot?"** 7 p.m., Camden Public Library. Talk by food historian Nancy Harmon Jenkins, as part of "Food History Month." FMI: librarycamden.org.

► **Chats with Champions: Desalination Talk,** 10 a.m., Porter Meeting Hall, Skidompha Library, 184 Main St., Damariscotta. Dr. James Birkett will discuss producing drinking water by removing salt from seawater. FMI: 563-5513.

## COMING UP:

► **Bus Trip to Celtics Game,** Sat., March 16. Waldoboro Recreation Dept. sponsors a trip to Boston to see the Celtics vs. the Charlotte Bobcats. \$90 includes transportation and admission to 7:30 p.m. game. FMI: 832-5369, ext. 308.

## ONGOING:

► **Eclectic Pop with Sam & Brice,** Wed., 7-10 p.m., Bowen's Tavern, 181 Waterville Rd., Belfast. Free.

► **Pickleball Drop-In Clinic,** 6 a.m. Mon-Fri. and 10-11:30 a.m., Thurs., Central Lincoln County YMCA, 525 Main St., Damariscotta. Free for Y members/\$2 others. FMI: 563-3477.

► **Stitch & Spin Knitting Groups,** Over the Rainbow Yarn, School St., Rockland, Mon. & Thurs., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Moms & Young'uns,

Tues., 10 a.m.-noon. Kids After School, Tues., 3-5 p.m. Daytimers, Wed., 10 a.m.-noon. FMI: 594-6060.

► **NAMI Support Group,** third Thurs., 6-8 p.m., 6 Hodgdon St., Damariscotta. FMI: 882-7426 or -9877.

► **Food Addicts Anonymous Meetings,** Sat., 8:30-10 a.m., Knox Center for Long Term Care, 6 White St., Rockland. FMI: 354-6749.

► **Community Ukes,** Tues. until spring, 6-8 p.m., Harbor Hill, Belfast. FMI: 992-3535 or looseuke@gmail.com.

► **Community Hot Soup Luncheons,** Wed. through March 27, noon-1 p.m., First Congregational Church of Camden. Choice of two soups (one vegetarian), bread, dessert and beverages. By donation. FMI: 236-4821.

► **"Fellowship of the Spirit" Step Study Group,** Sat., 7-8 a.m., basement, St. Margaret's Church, 95 Court St., Belfast. Series of readings and discussions for those interested in studying a 12-step program to serve those whose lives have been affected by addictive behaviors. FMI: 505-5266.

► **Camrock Network,** first and third Tues., 8-9 a.m., Three Dog Cafe, Rte. 1, Rockport. Women's business networking group providing referrals as well as support and information to help businesses thrive. FMI: Cyndi (542-3833), Jackie (542-4737) or www.camrocknetwork.com.

► **Stress Reduction Sessions at the Knox County Health Clinic,** Wed., 4:15 p.m., Bok Medical Building (behind Rockland Public Library), 22 White St., Rockland. Group ear acupuncture, chair massage, breathing and visualization techniques that help reduce the effects of stress. All are welcome. Donations accepted. To schedule or FMI, call 594-6993.

► **Monthly "Tapping" Group,** first Sun., monthly, 3-4:30 p.m., High Mountain Hall, Camden. Tapping, also known as Energy Freedom Technique (EFT), has been proven to reduce physical pain, alleviate allergy symptoms, release a wide range of emotional traumas, improve sports performance, increase focus and attention and improve relationships. Group led by Candace Green. Suggested donation \$8-\$25. FMI: 975-5325.

► **Rockland Elks Lodge Bingo,** Wed., doors open 4:30 p.m., drawings at 6:20 p.m., bingo games begin at 6:30 p.m.

► **Lymphoma & Blood-Related Cancer Support Group,** second Mon. monthly, 3:30-5 p.m., Picker Center, Pen Bay Medical Center, Rockport. Professionally facilitated. FMI: 691-0629 or 596-8950.

► **NAMI Coastal Area Support Group,** fourth Wed., 7-8 p.m., Pen Bay Medical Center PARC Conference Rm., Rockport. Meetings are free and confidential. FMI: 594-2015 or -1939.

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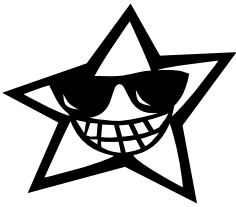






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TV Listings



CHANNEL LINE-UP

Knox County

- 2 CKSH - French
- 3 UPN - WPME
- 4 FOX - WFPO
- 5 CBS - WABI
- 6 NBC - WCSH
- 7 PEG - Public
- 8 ABC - WMTW

- 9 TWCTV
- 10 MPBS - WCBB
- 11 PEG - Education
- 12 WB - WPXT
- 13 CBS - WGME
- 14 QVC
- 15 HSN
- 16 CHLT
- 17 Shop NBC

- 18 TV Guide
- 19 C-SPAN
- 20 C-SPAN2
- 21 ION
- 22 PEG - Government
- 23 GAC
- 24 Comcast Sports Net
- 25 ESPN
- 26 ESPN2
- 27 NESN
- 28 MTV
- 29 VH-1
- 30 Lifetime
- 31 Spike TV
- 32 CMT
- 33 Weather Channel
- 34 NECN
- 35 FOX News
- 36 CNN

- 37 Headline News
- 38 TOON
- 39 CNBC
- 40 MSNBC
- 41 truTV
- 42 TCM
- 43 INSP
- 44 TNT
- 45 Comedy
- 46 FX
- 47 USA
- 48 TBS
- 49 Oxygen
- 50 A&E
- 51 AMC
- 52 Ovation
- 53 Bravo
- 54 E!
- 55 HGTV

- 56 Food Network
- 57 Travel Channel
- 58 EWTN
- 59 Hallmark Channel
- 60 TBN
- 61 History Channel
- 62 TLC
- 63 Discovery
- 64 TV Land
- 65 BET
- 66 ABC Family
- 67 Nickelodeon
- 68 Disney Channel
- 69 Animal Planet
- 70 SCI-FI
- 71 TV5
- 72 ONTV4
- 85 Local Access

FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 4, 2013												
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
3	The People's Court	Monk "Mr Monk and the Miracle"	Monk Monk's half-brother	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	OurMaine	Always Sunny	Extra (N)	Paid Program				
4	Big Bang Theory	Football Pregame	College Football: AT&T Cotton Bowl -- Oklahoma vs. Texas A&M. From Arling-Texas, (N) (In Stereo) Live				News 13 on FOX (N)	Dish Nation (N)				
5	Big Bang Theory	Two and Half Men	Undercover Boss "Mood Media" (N)	CSI: NY "Command Plus P" (N) Live	Blue Bloods "Fathers and Sons" (N)	News	Late Show With David Letterman	Ferguson				
6	207 Magazine	Inside Edition	Go On Live	Dateline NBC (N) (In Stereo) Live		News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Jimmy Fallon				
8	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Last Man Standing	Malibu Country	Shark Tank (N) (In Stereo) (DVS)	20/20 (In Stereo) Live	WMTW News 8	Nightline (N) Live	Jimmy Kimmel Live (In Stereo) Live			
10	PBS NewsHour (N) (In Stereo)	Washington	Need to Know (N)	Maine Watch	Inside Wash-ton	Great Performances The 25th anniversary of "Graceland" (N) Live		PBS NewsHour (In Stereo) Live				
12	Engagement	How I Met	Nikita "The Sword's Edge"	Arrow Bank robbers threaten the city		30 Rock Live	30 Rock Live	Friends Live	TMZ (N) Live	Excused	Auto King	
13	Entertainment	The Insider (N)	Undercover Boss "Mood Media" (N)	CSI: NY "Command Plus P" (N) Live	Blue Bloods "Fathers and Sons" (N)	WGME News	Late Show With David Letterman	Ferguson				
21	Cold Case Live	Cold Case Live	Cold Case "Hubris"	Cold Case "Glued"	Flashpoint		Flashpoint Live					
24	Celtics	Celtics	NBA Basketball: Indiana Pacers at Boston Celtics	Celtics	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Celtics			
25	HS Football	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Miami Heat. (N)	NBA Basketball: Lakers at Clippers									
26	NFL Kickoff (N)	College Basketball		Boxing			SportsCenter (N)					
27	To Be Announced			TBA	Daily	TBA	Daily	Dennis	Paid	Paid		
30	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	Teen Trouble "As-mara" (N) Live	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced				
36	E. B. OutFront	Anderson Cooper	Piers Morgan	Anderson Cooper	E. B. OutFront	Piers Morgan						
39	The Kudlow Report	Millions	Millions	Crime Inc.	American Greed	Mad Money						
40	Hardball Matthews	The Ed Show (N)	Rachel Maddow	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary						
41	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Killer Karaoke (N)	Wipeout Live	World's Dumbest...	World's Dumbest...						
42	(6:15) Movie: ★★ ★★ "Johnny Belinda"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Creature From the Black Lagoon" (1954)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tarantula" (1955) John Agar.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Incredible Shrinking Man" (1957)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "It-Space"							
44	The Mentalist (In Stereo) Live	Movie: ★★ "Law Abiding Citizen" (2009) Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler. Live (DVS)	Movie: ★★ "Law Abiding Citizen" (2009) Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler. Live (DVS)	Movie: ★★ "The Talented Mr. Ripley"	Movie: ★★ "Year One"							
45	Jeff Dunham: Controlled	Jeff Dunham	Jeff Dunham: Controlled	Jeff Dunham								
46	Two and Half Men	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Country Strong" (2010, Drama) Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw. Premiere.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Country Strong" (2010, Drama) Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw. Premiere.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Country Strong" (2010, Drama) Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw. Premiere.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Country Strong" (2010, Drama) Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw. Premiere.							
47	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Movie: "Over/Under" (2013) Premiere.	CSI: Crime Scene							
48	Seinfeld Live	House of Payne	Better House of Payne	Better House of Payne	Matthew McConaughey. Live	There Yet? There Yet?						
49	"Sleepless In"	Movie: ★★ "Eat Pray Love" (2010) Julia Roberts.	Movie: ★★ "Eat Pray Love" (2010) Julia Roberts.	Movie: ★★ "Pretty Woman" (1990)	"Break							
50	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.
51	(5:30) Movie: "The Karate Kid Part II"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Enter the Dragon" (1973) Bruce Lee, John Saxon, Jim Kelly. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Shanghai Noon" (2000, Comedy) Jackie Chan, Owen Wilson, Lucy Liu. Live	Movie: ★★ "Elizabeth: The Golden Age" (2007)	"Rodg							
52	So You Think	So You Think You Can Dance Live	So You Think You Can Dance Live	So You Think You Can Dance Live	So You Think You Can Dance Live							
53	Real Housewives	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993)							
56	Restaurant: Im.	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	My. Din	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
59	Brady Bunch	Movie: ★★ "A Kiss at Midnight" (2008) Faith Ford, Cameron Daddo. Live	Movie: ★★ "A Kiss at Midnight" (2008) Faith Ford, Cameron Daddo. Live	Movie: ★★ "A Kiss at Midnight" (2008) Faith Ford, Cameron Daddo. Live	Movie: ★★ "A Kiss at Midnight" (2008) Faith Ford, Cameron Daddo. Live							
60	Sid Roth	Potters	Behind Lindsey	Harvest	P. Stone	Praise the Lord Live						
61	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers
62	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Randy	Randy	Say Yes	Say Yes	Randy	Randy	Randy
63	Gold Rush Live	Gold Rush Live	Gold Rush Live	Gold Rush Live	Gold Rush Live	Bering Sea Gold	Gold Rush Live	Bering Sea Gold	Bering Sea Gold	Bering Sea Gold	Bering Sea Gold	Bering Sea Gold
64	M*A*S*H	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King	King of Queens
66	"How to Lose"	Movie: ★★ "Hope Floats" (1998) Sandra Bullock.	Movie: ★★ "Hope Floats" (1998) Sandra Bullock.	Movie: ★★ "Hope Floats" (1998) Sandra Bullock.	Movie: ★★ "Hope Floats" (1998) Sandra Bullock.							
67	iCarly	Figure It	iCarly	Full H'se	Full H'se	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
68	A.N.T. Farm	Prank-Stars	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tangled" (2010) Voices of Mandy Moore. Live	So Random!	My Baby-sitter	Good-Charlie	A.N.T. Farm	Prank-Stars	Wizards-Place	Phineas and Ferb		
69	Infested! Live	Infested! Live	Infested! (N)	Infested! (N)	Infested! Live	Infested! Live	Infested! (In Stereo)	Infested! Live	Infested! Live	Infested! Live	Infested! Live	Infested! Live
70	Merlin "The Sword in the Stone" Live	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (In Stereo) Live	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (In Stereo) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Being Human Josh wants to tell Julia.	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live	Merlin "Arthur's Bane" (N) Live

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
3	Castle "Wrapped Up in Death" Live	Love-Raymond	King of Queens	Old Christine	King of Queens	Old Christine	"Til Death	Sports Legends	McCarver	Paranormal	Paid Program	Paid Program
4	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Cops (N) Live	Cops Live	The Mob Doctor "Resurrection" (N)	News 13 on FOX	Big Bang Theory	MasterChef "Top 4 Complete"	30 Seconds	Scrubs		
5	Two and Half Men	Big Bang Theory	The Mentalist (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	News	Nite Show	Big Bang Theory	Castle Live	
6	NFL Football	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	NFL Football: AFC or NFC Wild-Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (In Stereo) Live	News	Saturday Night Live (In Stereo) Live			
8	Best Ladder	Jeopardy!	Once Upon a Time "Broken" Live	Once Upon a Time "The Crocodile" Live	Once Upon a Time "The Crocodile" Live	Once Upon a Time "The Crocodile" Live	Once Upon a Time "The Crocodile" Live	WMTW News 8 at 11 (N) Live	Cold Case "Read Between the Lines"			
10	Mulberry	Are You Served?	The Vicar of Dibley "Autumn"	Doc Martin "The Apple Doesn't Fall"	William and Mary Wedding day. Live	Live From the Artists	Live From the Artists	Live From the Artists	Austin City Limits "Jack White" (N)			
12	How I Met	How I Met	Cops Live	Cops Live	Family Guy Live	Family Guy Live	Nite Show Community Aud.	Private Stage	Always Sunny	TMZ (N) (In Stereo) Live		
13	Judge Judy	Paid Program	The Mentalist (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	48 Hours (N) (In Stereo) Live	WGME News	Ring of Honor Wrestling	Burn Notice Live		
21	House Live	House Live	House "Airborne"	Psych Live	Psych Live	Psych Live	Psych Live	Psych Live	Psych Live	Psych Live		
24	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Atlanta Hawks.	Celtics	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports	Sports
25	Poker	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	SportsCenter (N)	NFL PrimeTime (N)		
26	Basket	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	30 for 30 Live	SportsCenter (N)	
27	To Be Announced			To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced
30	(6:00) Movie: "Killer Among Us" (2012)	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live	Movie: "Willed to Kill" (2012) Sarah Jane Morris, Ross McCall. Premiere. Live
36	CNN Newsroom (N)	CNN Presents Live	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan	CNN Presents Live	Piers Morgan	Piers Morgan		
39	Money in Millions	Ultimate Factories	Suze Orman Show	Princess	Princess	Princess	Princess	Ultimate Factories	Suze Orman Show	Suze Orman Show		
40	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary	Documentary		
41	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live	Wipeout Live		
42	(5:00) "How the West Was Won"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "To Have and Have Not" (1944) Humphrey Bogart. Live (DVS)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "The Whistler" (1944) Bogarde, Olivia de Havilland. Live
44	Movie: ★★ "Lethal Weapon 4" (1998, Action) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover, Joe Pesci. Live (DVS)	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "G.I. Jane" (1997) Demi Moore. A female Navy SEALs recruit completes rigorous training.
45	"Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Dinner for Schmucks" (2010) Live	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Hot Tub Time Machine"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Tommy Boy"
46	(5:30) Movie: "Death Race"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen.
47	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU
48	King of Queens	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory
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51	(4:30) Movie: "The Patriot"	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Signs" (2002) Mel Gibson. A widower investigates huge circles in his crop fields.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Signs" (2002) Mel Gibson. A widower investigates huge circles in his crop fields.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Signs" (2002) Mel Gibson. A widower investigates huge circles in his crop fields.	Movie: ★★ ★★ "Signs" (2002) Mel Gibson							



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**CLICK & CLACK TALK CARS**

**It's OK to Use Snow Tires from Previous Car; Adding Weed-Whacker Gas Mix to Car Won't Hurt the Car**

**DEAR TOM AND RAY:** I traded in our old Prius for a 2012 Prius last spring. I'm getting ready to put on the snow tires that I kept from the old car. Those tires are P185/65 R15, and the all-season tires on the new Prius are P195/65 R15. The dealer said the snows will work fine, but the slightly different tire will affect the speedometer and odometer. What's your take on this? Is there a conversion formula? This would be a tough story to convey if I were stopped for speeding. Thanks. — Paul

**TOM:** Paul, the conversion formula is "fuggedaboutit." The effect on your speedometer and odometer will be minuscule.

**RAY:** Your two sets of tires are almost identical. They have the same wheel size in inches (that's the 15) and the same aspect ratio (that's the 65), which is the ratio between the width of the tread (the section width) and the height of the sidewall.

**TOM:** The only number that's different is the section width (that's the width of the tire).

**RAY:** What does that mean? It means your old tires are a little thinner than your new tires. The new ones are 195 millimeters wide, and your old tires are 185 millimeters wide — a difference of less than half an inch.

**TOM:** Width doesn't affect the speedometer or odometer. Only a tire's diameter can do that.

**RAY:** Now, since a tire's aspect ratio is a fixed ratio between the width and height of the tire, a thinner width means that, by definition, the height (and therefore diameter) must be a little smaller, too. So, the tires aren't identical.

**TOM:** My math is not good enough to calculate how much error that tiny difference in diameter will cause in your speedometer, but it's a difference that's so minimal, it's hardly worth thinking about.

**RAY:** It's certainly not worth my brother breaking out his childhood abacus — the one Confucius gave him.

**TOM:** And in fact, "thinner" tires (with a smaller section width) often are recommended for use in the snow, because, while wider tires may ride on top of the snow, thinner tires have a better chance of cutting through the snow to the pavement and giving you traction.

**RAY:** So, Paul, use your old snow tires, as long as they're safe. And since I doubt you're doing a lot of drag racing in the Prius anyway, don't worry too much about

any minor speedometer error.

**DEAR TOM AND RAY:** Winter is coming, and I have two gallons of oil/gas mixture (40-to-1) for my weed whacker that I don't want to save for next year or try to dispose of. Is it safe to add this mixture to an almost-full tank of gas in my 2004 Honda Accord? I use 87 octane and live in Cleveland. Thanks! — Jeff

**RAY:** You live in Cleveland? You may want to just hang on to the gas-oil mixture and buy yourself a snowblower, Jeff.

**TOM:** Actually, it's fine to use it in your car. It's a relatively small amount of oil (1 part oil to 40 parts gasoline).

**RAY:** It won't harm the engine, the fuel-injection system or the catalytic converter.

**TOM:** It's not great for the environment, but, presumably, you would have burned it in your weed whacker anyway, so it's doing no more harm being burned by your car.

**RAY:** Most of my brother's cars burn more oil than that on their own, due to age and/or disrepair. In fact, some of them burn more oil than gas.

**TOM:** Keep in mind, you also can save the mixture for next year. Gasoline generally is good for at least a year, these days. You can make it last even longer by adding a small amount of gasoline stabilizer, like Sta-Bil.

**RAY:** And if you keep it, you also can use it in your lawnmower, your chainsaw, your portable generator or your deluxe gas-powered butt-scratcher, Jeff.

**TOM:** But if you do decide to power your Accord with this mix, I would do it over several tankfuls, rather than dumping the whole thing in at once. That'll minimize the concentration of oil and ensure that no harm is done.

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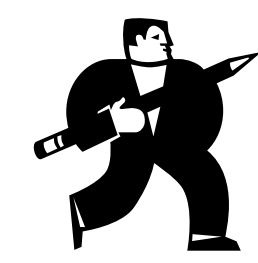
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- 1 Goes underground
  - 6 Flips pages
  - 11 Dutch export
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  - 21 Florida horse town
  - 22 Own up to
  - 23 Wading bird
  - 24 Quebec school
  - 25 Red Sea republic
  - 26 Beauty pageant prize
  - 27 Muezzin's deity
  - 28 Decides, as a jury
  - 29 Amusing story
  - 31 — nous
  - 33 Retro art style
  - 35 Homer Simpson's dad
  - 36 Michelangelo's chapel
  - 37 Homophone of bowls
  - 38 "I came," to Caesar
  - 39 Warmonger of myth
  - 40 Help-wanted abbr.
  - 41 Dealt with it
  - 42 Posed a threat
  - 44 Later
  - 47 Deck out
  - 48 — St. Laurent
  - 49 Consecrate
  - 53 Uh-uhs
  - 54 Thrash about
  - 55 Struts along
  - 56 Homer epic
  - 57 Dressy accessory
  - 58 Piano pieces
  - 59 Cushions
  - 60 Weather grp.
  - 61 Drink slowly
  - 62 Show rainbow-like colors
  - 64 Luigi's dollar, once
  - 65 Gourmet mushrooms
  - 66 Bedroom slipper
  - 67 Sombrero go-withs
  - 68 Duke or count
  - 69 Pasture complaints
  - 70 Speculate
  - 71 Pass near Pikes Peak
  - 72 Vocal interpretation
  - 74 April 15 org.
  - 75 Large chunks
  - 78 Herbal soothers
  - 79 NE state
  - 80 Patella
  - 84 Holds gently
  - 85 Clump
  - 86 Take a stroll
  - 87 Fries or slaw (2 wds.)
  - 88 Santa — winds
  - 89 Underhand throws
  - 90 Slowly vanish
  - 91 Made cow sounds
  - 92 Bout ender
  - 93 Variety of sugar
  - 95 — majeste
  - 96 Spiral or coil
  - 97 Caught red-handed
  - 98 Moralize
  - 99 Word of contempt
  - 100 Treasures
  - 101 "Angie Baby" singer
  - 102 Chewing gum bases
  - 104 Nuisances
  - 105 TV knob
  - 106 In that case (2 wds.)
  - 109 Meadow murmurs
  - 110 Ocean crosser
  - 111 Bread baker
  - 115 Even as we speak
  - 116 Not fem.
  - 117 Magazine stands
  - 118 Good-looking
  - 119 Orchard
  - 121 Texas river
  - 123 "No problem!" (2 wds.)
  - 125 Mme. Curie
  - 126 Horrible bosses
  - 127 Degrade
  - 128 Wed impulsively
  - 129 Change a bill
  - 130 Hen's lack
  - 131 Oar propeller
  - 132 U-Haul competitor
  - 133 Monterrey moola
- DOWN**
- 1 Georgetown gridders
  - 2 Boudica's people
  - 3 Slangy ladies
  - 4 Those voted in
  - 5 Grittier
  - 6 Starbucks order
  - 7 Adams or Brickell
  - 8 GP group
  - 9 Rare gem (2 wds.)
  - 10 Mr. Kubrick
  - 11 Transmission parts
  - 12 Give a wolfish look
  - 13 WWW find
  - 14 Makes numb
  - 15 Minerva, in Greece
  - 16 Operator's number
  - 17 RN posting
  - 18 Totally opposite
  - 19 Annapolis frosh
  - 20 "Oui" and "ja"
  - 20 Musician Yoko —
  - 32 Actor — Danson
  - 34 Shriill insects
  - 37 Mr. Yeltsin
  - 38 Plunging necklines
  - 39 Turmoils
  - 41 Jalopy
  - 42 Baseball honorees
  - 43 "Paint the Sky With Stars" singer
  - 44 Those opposed
  - 45 Laissez- —
  - 46 His and hers
  - 47 Baldwin and others
  - 48 The Force was with him
  - 50 Publish
  - 51 Young and Simon
  - 52 Hunts and pecks
  - 54 Road flare
  - 55 Block off
  - 56 "Sorry!"
  - 58 Govt. agencies
  - 59 Dappled
  - 60 Flashy sign
  - 63 Smears
  - 64 Hubble component
  - 65 Maine — (large cat)
  - 66 Ruminated
  - 68 Turf
  - 69 Luxury fur
  - 70 Avarice
  - 72 Umps
  - 73 Enameled metal
  - 74 Kind of fund
  - 75 Cut too short
  - 76 The L in LEM
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  - 94 Tortilla snack
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  - 96 Frankly
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  - 100 Rangier
  - 101 Gas station buy (2 wds.)
  - 103 — Milquetoast
  - 104 Razor brand
  - 105 Max — Sydow
  - 106 Gold brick
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