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SPRING UP CLOSE! Lee and Louise enjoyed a train ride to Portland March 22 and a tour of the 2nd Annual Maine Flower Show. Franks Field Trips are sponsored each month by our friends at Ameriprise Financial and Coastal Landing.

Fundraising Gala is April 5

Join the fun and excitement on Thursday, April 5, at the 16th annual Music in April gala to benefit the People Plus Center. Doors open promptly at 5 p.m., this year for the first time in the spacious Brunswick Recreation Center on Brunswick Landing. "We're so excited about this year," offered Executive Director Stacy Frizzle, "we have this new, exciting venue, new sponsors, a few new restaurants and a completely new plan for serving dinner. The live and silent auctions are shaping up to be the best ever," Frizzle predicted, "and this year we have plenty of space to exhibit the items."

Two dozen of the area's best restaurants and food services (listed below) have once again offered their pick of house specials for our food stations; and more than two dozen local businesses and organizations (listed below) share our longest list of Event Sponsors, ever!

Our live music offerings this season include the soft-mood music of Touching Bass jazz band, and the delightful barbershop harmony of the Porch Time Quartet.

Auctioneer extraordinaire John Bottero of Thomaston Place Galleries again pilots us through the more than two dozen live auction items which again includes exceptional vacation get-a-ways, one-of-a-kind items, and specialty food and dining events designed to take your breath away. More than a hundred items in the silent auction offer something for every interest and budget.

Last year's sold out event was attended by over 200 people, and raised a record \$50,000 to benefit the People Plus Center. At press-time there are a few individual attendance tickets remaining, and the cost is still only \$50. Call the Information Desk at People Plus to reserve your tickets, right now!

Scoop?

Find out on page 6...

Author's Chat Elizabeth Strout Returns to People Plus



winning author Elizabeth Strout will be returning to the People Plus Center for a reading and lecture on April 30th. Strout, who divides her schedule between New York City and

Maine, quickly admits, "I'd rather be in Brunswick!" She plans to read from her most recent novel, Anything Is Possible, during the event, which begins at 1:30 pm.

Aging Well Lunch & Learn:

Getting Your Affairs in Order

Mon, Apr 23, 12 pm. John Moncure, Esq. of Moncure & Barnicle, presents on basic estate planning and implications of recent tax changes. Moncure will offer a number of hints and be available for questions.

Bring your lunch (or try our Monday Munchies) and we provide, drinks, chips and dessert. Free, open to the public. Call to register.



What's the GELATO FIASCO **BRUNSWICK TEEN CENTER** ΩΡ-Δ-ΤΗΩΝ Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Pulitzer Prize Strout was born in Portland, Maine, and grew up in several small New England towns. She often uses that experience to set or provide characters for her work. Anything Is Possible offers an unforgettable cast of small-town, farm related characters coping with love and loss, and her novel Burgess Boys is based in a fictional Penobscot River mill town dealing with a growing immigrant population.

Strout won her Pulitzer Prize in 2009 for her novel Olive Kitteridge, and a number of her books have been on the New York Times bestseller list. Her short stories have been published in a number of magazines, including The New Yorker, and "O": The Oprah Magazine.

Strout presented to a capacity audience at the People Plus Center in June 2014. Her lecture is free and open to the public, but you must pre-register by calling the Center information desk at 729-0757 if you plan to attend. Gulf of Maine Books will offer a selection of her books for purchase during

Monthly Breakfasts to be a "Doubleheader!"

This month only, join us as we "almost" combine our Men's and Women's breakfasts! Since our traditional, first Thursday Women's Breakfast fell on the same date as our HUGE Music in April event this year, we decided it would be "fun??,".... "interesting??" if we doubled our breakfasts on the same morning! April 12, beginning at 8 a.m. we'll offer our regular Men's Breakfast and one hour later, beginning, at 9 a.m., we'll be serving the Ladies. Chef Frank guessed there may be "breakfast sandwiches, home fries and scrambled eggs for everyone," while Chef Stacy would only predict, "something more exciting, with fruit!" Please call 729-0757 to register for either (both??), and remember, next month we'll get back to normal.

April 2018

Meanwhile

by Marcia Good Townsend

Smiling Through the Rain

Should be easier than it seems

The sun dries everything out

The rain restores the drought

I smile when I watch the finches dash from the spruce

to the covered Lucite window feeders.

Once there, they jump in and look about

all while whittling the cases off the sunflower seeds

The Chickadees have a different drill.

They rush in,

but do not stay.

"Snatch & grab" is how they play.

You'd think the drenching drops

would keep them longer!

But those stubby little bodies quickly dip and dive

back to the safety of the spruce.

The Juncos school 'neath the boughs,

gleaning all lost treasures.

Occasionally they look up.

I smile at the flash of the petite white beaks.

Snow is vanishing

Puddles are arriving

Slippery beneath

Squirrels find lost treasures.

Crocus are not far behind.

Daredevil by Woody Townsend

My aunt used to take my brother and I fishing.

The fish in question was almost always pickerel. It

is important to know that my aunt built houses and

used to work in the woods so she had a fairly strong

On this particular trip we were using a lure that was

a piece of metal shaped like a spoon with three hooks

attached. As we approached the location, my Aunt

Ruth decided to take a long cast to drop the lure near

some weeds at the edge of the water. It was a consid-

erable distance away, so she wound up and swung as

hard as she could to get enough distance. Sadly, the

lure never left the boat, but instead was driven into

my chin with considerable force. The three attached

hooks wedged their way into my throat. It hurt me

some but scared her half to death. Starting the motor

we made a quick trip home followed by a quick trip

The doc took a quick look, shook his head, and got

out the scissors. With a few careful snips, he removed

each of the three hooks. There was never any serious

damage, but I do wish I had the photo of the three

hooks in the lure, called a daredevil, dangling from

be back in Brunswick, right

right arm.

to the doctor's office.

Meanwhile.

April 2018

Missing Jasmine by Charlotte Hart

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She died on her 13th birthday

My soul mate, my comfort, my friend.

She loved to tear through the field To retrieve... a snow ball, tennis ball.

Whatever I'd send. She listened! To my fears, my joys, my concerns.

Total compassion she'd lend. We would race by the lake

Or by sun-sparkled sea, climb steep paths— Great White Mountain peaks to ascend.

She's long gone. There's an empty place in my home, By my hearth, in my heart. No use to pretend.

No wild leaps, yips, or bright joyful barks now To welcome me home.

Will long months of grief never end?

Pondering

by Marcia Good Townsend Tomorrow is on the horizon Today has fallen behind

Wondering about tomorrow Just what will be then on my mind?

> News, challenges, weather Thoughts on what "might be"

Time now to pause...time to mull

Time for a hot cup of tea!

Alleluia by Elizabeth B. Bates

I remember the excitement of Easter, the children getting up and running

old clothing and then going outside to search for the brightly-colored eggs.

When they finally came back in from outside, they had eggs for breakfast!

Back home to welcome relatives for Easter dinner. Baked ham and white-

frosted cake with angels standing on it. Then back outside where they saw

There were three rabbits inside! They opened the cage and reached in for

them, one for each child. The rabbits squirmed in their arms. They took

rabbits were back in their cages with plenty of food and water. And then

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Whatever 4 Quartet

Porch Time Quartet

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The time for goodbyes came, lots of hugs and then the relatives were gone. The

them inside to show everyone. They gave them three different names.

on the back porch a cage with something in it. What was it?

They screamed and pushed each other away so they could get the most eggs.

to pick up their empty Easter baskets. There was a quick putting on of

Joseph Palma, Harpswell Chris Perry, Portland

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A fresh perspective...

I saw a giant bald eagle this morning while I was driving into work. I'd had a terrible ming at the Center. night's sleep, with a million "to do items" on my mind and I was half focused on the day ahead, and half focused on what my two daughters were arguing about when I glanced up and noticed something giant high in a tree on the edge of the stream.

I think half my brain registered "That's a HUGE eagle!" and the other half of my brain thought "What the heck IS that?". I quickly pulled over, despite the protestations of my brood, so I could have a good look at him. He was at least 2 feet tall if not more, with a stark white head, smoky grey wings wrapped tightly around himself and bright yellow talons fiercely gripping his perch. As we sat there watching, he launched himself into the air. For a moment in which he seemed to be falling, my breath caught until his wings unfurled and he swooped down and then up over the 60 foot pine trees. With a wingspan of what looked to be the length of a grown man, he allowed himself one high, slow circle around the stream bed before he soared into the distance.

"That was amazing", was heard from the back seat as I slowly pulled back onto the road. And I had to agree it was a magical and majestic thing to watch and I felt somehow different afterwards. I was profoundly moved by his beauty and grace as he paused to take in the world around him before launching again on his quest.

That moment of quiet shared with my girls and an eagle left me feeling reflective game, all while Frank is pulling together the about my life these days. It often seems that I'm soaring after an unattainable goal. Sometimes the goal is as small as getting the kids to school or dinner on the table or

From

Plate

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Meal planning has been a huge area of inter-

est for me and I have used a variety of ideas to

help my clients get dinner on the table. Meal

planning not only involves knowing what you

are going to prepare but having the food on

Cook once and eat twice. These are also

called planned overs or do overs. Make a

crock-pot meal and at the same time put in

those ingredients in a Ziploc bag to freeze.

These are just of few of the ways to help plan

meals. There are so many reasons why meal

planning is important. Most people don't

think about what they are going to have for dinner until 1 hour before they plan to have

dinner. This could lead to a visit to a busy

grocery store or ordering take out if there isn't

prepare is an opportunity to fuel our bodies

with good nutrition. Meal planning is not just

for working families but also rather for every-

one to consider to have the answer to "What

My goal is to make putting on the table as

easy as possible. So I was intrigued when I

was watching a recent webinar and the speaker

mentioned sheet pan dinners. I googled this

and found that there are many delicious meals

that have all the ingredients for a meal on a

sheet pan. Clean up is a breeze because you

food in the house to prepare. Each meal we

Anita's

Anita Huey

it is as big as raising \$300,000 for program-

As I watched him sore away I had a sense of soaring myself. Of being able to look down on everything in life. The troubles and struggles and challenges looked much smaller from that height and I began to breathe a little easier. It was as if that eagle had reminded me that we need to all try to soar above the little things and see the big picture. See the open landscape and everything it holds.

And when I launch myself into the air for a birds-eye view of everything we do at People Plus, the anxiety and stress that we are feeling in pulling together Music in April - in a new venue without a kitchen, and the Teen Center Gelato Fiasco Scoopa-thon and the grant writing deadlines that loom ever closer, and the presentations to Town Council for funding, all seem just ever so slightly less daunting. And definitely more worthwhile.

I know that we are here because of our retired senior community, and our homebound elders and our kids upstairs in the Center who all without this work and this fundraising and these donations and the grant writing would not have a place to come eat, be social, learn new things, play games, get rides to their doctor appointment or the grocery store.

And it's for them that we do it. It's why Jill is working on auction items at 11:30 last night and Betsy is ordering linens at 1 am, and Jenn is doing table layout at her son's newspaper and we are planning a cooking

But at the end of the day it IS all worth it. I come to the work and hear stories, of

From the **Executive Director**

teens who would not have made it without the Teen Center program, of members whose lives are changed by our free driving program, and that the best part of their week s when they come to People Plus, and play a game or share a meal or hear a lecture.

And even though I know that we will be so glad when April is over and all of these events are finished, I'm also so appreciative of that eagle this morning who reminded me to try and soar above just a little. So that we can keep our eye on the bigger picture - our seniors and our teens here at People Plus, the Center that Builds Community.



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Ingredients:

- 1 pound sweet potatoes,
- t. ground pepper,
- chicken breasts
- ½ t. ground cumin
- ½ t. dried thyme

- - 2. Toss sweet potatoes with 1 tablespoon oil and ½ teaspoon pepper in a large bowl. Spread evenly on a rimmed baking sheet. Roast for 15 minutes.
 - 3. Toss Brussels sprouts with the remaining 1 tablespoon oil and 1/4 teaspoon pepper in the bowl. Stir into the sweet potatoes on the baking sheet.
 - 4. Sprinkle chicken with cumin, thyme and the remaining ¼ teaspoon pepper. Place on top of the vegetables. Roast until the chicken is cooked through and the vegetables are tender, 10 to 15 minutes more.
 - 5. Transfer the chicken to a serving platter. Stir vinegar into the vegetables and serve with the chicken.

modify the ingredients on one part of the pan this month's recipe for a sheet pan dinner!

can put foil down on the sheet pan. It is if someone in the family doesn't like a particgreat to make just enough for one person or ular ingredient. So try something new with



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This fishing story took place in 1970. My good place his can on the seat... the boat lurched... the

at Alfred Lake. It was a hot day so we secured a the bottom of the boat. "Now I can concentrate couple of cans of beer for each of us. Arriving at on catching this fish!" he said, but the fish jumped the lake, we hurriedly unloaded our boat and and again and was gone. Paul looked mighty angry and headed for a well-known trout fishing area. After I tried not to laugh. an hour Paul decided it was time to break open a 10 minutes later, it was time for Paul's last beer. beer. He had barely had the first taste before he Just as he pulled the tab... incredibly, there was got a strike. Dramatically standing, while holding another strike at his line. This one seemingly the rod in one hand the beer and the other, he larger than before. Paul stood up, looked at me maneuvered while playing the fish. The fish not as I started to grin and said, "Not this time!" and to be outdone...made a dramatically high leap... but the hook held. By this time, at least half the short struggle followed and Paul reeled in a fine beer had spilled. Paul decided to set the can down trophy pine branch!! and concentrate on the fish. As he leaned over to The day's final score: No beer, No fish, No fun!!

friend Paul D. and I decided to go for some trout can tipped... and fell into the sloshing water at

National Poetry Month



the People Plus writing group, Write on Writers, in storefronts on Maine Street, Brunswick throughout April. The Write on Writers group meets every Wednesday at 1 pm.



Promising

After a bitter winter Lacking snow cover Discerning signs of burgeoning life Where purple sage, a healing herb With blissful aroma Once appearing faithfully Spring after spring Fails to show

by Virginia Sabin Curiously Neighboring lavender and thyme Do not invade this seemingly empty space Discerning a healthy Surviving a bitter winter Only needed more time Showing itself back in Eden

Solitude

by P.L. Sparks

rock-cliffs

empty air,

a hawk

floating over

...the void

A change of clothes to get ready for church.

Their cousins stared with envy

ALLELUIA....ALLELUIA!

The choir sang ...ALLELUIA....ALLELUIA1

to bed, with a prayer said, and GOOD NIGHT!

If Wishes Were Horses by Sally Hartikka

If wishes were horses, then beggars would ride. If wishes were houses, there'd be no homeless outside If wishes were food, there'd be no more want And no more children with faces too gaunt.

When I wish I were richer, I think of the needy And lose my tendency to become greedy. When I wish I were younger, I think of friends gone Who never made old age before they passed on.

> When I wish for things I do not possess I think of those who have even less. I become content with my situation And halt my needless lamentation.

by Ralph Laughlin Back to be with friends.

LAST Lower 47 When you make a mistake, you have two choices, you can live with it or change it. In WHY? That's what several people here our case, we chose to correct A VIEW FROM have asked, sighting the weather. it, so be warned, we WILL THE LOWER 47

The answer is, "the chill from the biting cold is melted by the warmth after EASTER! We're already packed, and of those people, our old, REAL friends! heading back to where we never should have We'll see you all soon!"

One That Got Away! by Woody Townsend

dramatically threw the full can over the side. A

Brunswick High School Men's & Women's Acapella Groups

Concert will be held at Brunswick United Methodist Church, 320 Church Rd., Brunswick. Handicapped Accessible

Tickets are available in advance by calling the office at 729-8571 or at the door—\$15

Sheet Pan Sweet Potatoes, Chicken and Brussel Sprouts

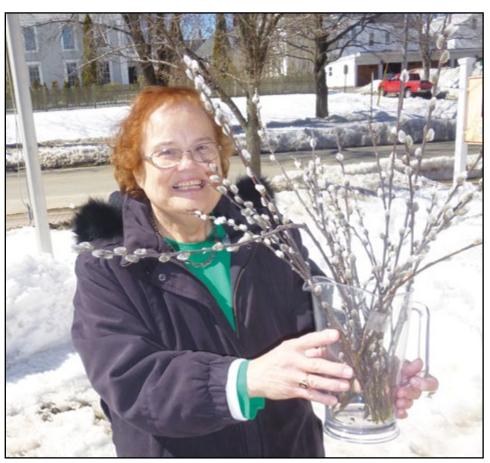
- cut into ½-inch wedges
- 2 Tb. olive oil, divided
- quartered 1¹/₄ pounds boneless

Directions:

- 4 c. Brussels sprouts,

• 3 Tb. sherry vinegar

1. Preheat oven to 425°F.



First of the season. People Plus Member Donna Perreault answered the call for the season's first pussy willows last month.

Frank's Field Trip is going "Out of this World!"

Tue, Apr 17, 10 to 3-ish (rescheduled from January). Join us as we travel by bus to the Southworth Planetarium in Portland for THREE exclusive shows 1. Into the deep, 2. Seeing the night sky & 3. Eight Planets and Counting! Cost is still only \$10, lunch on your own at Becky's Diner on the Portland waterfront. Reservations and deposits made in January will be honored first. Space is limited, register now!



Changing your perception on health care

Medical definition of health care: The maintaining and restoration of health by the treatment and prevention of disease especially by trained and licensed professionals (as in medicine, dentistry, clinical psychology, and public health). What is your definition of health?

WHO definition of health: Health is a state of complete physical, mental **Health care vs Sick care** – We live in a nation that focuses on trying to

and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity. fix problems rather than preventing them. We live in a "Sick Care" world.

Symptoms vs Cause - Are we just chasing symptoms or treating the cause? Simply look at the drug commercials; we are chasing one symptom after another covering up one with a drug to have to cover another caused by the same drug. I use a metaphor all the time that I think makes it easy to understand. Think of your problem as a burning fire, the smoke alarm is going off letting you know that there is a problem (symptom). Does it make more sense to take the battery out of the smoke alarm so the sound stops and go about your business (drugs) or to put out the fire (take care of the cause)? We tend to cover up issues rather than putting the fire out

Where do you think the US ranks within the world in terms of health?

- US spends more on healthcare than the next 3 countries combined
- Spends over \$8,000 per person per year
- US ranks 37th in world health care through studies done by world health organization
- Neighbors to the north have not figured it out either they rank 30th
- Better living through pharmacology? How is this working out for us.

Prevention is the key. It is easier to maintain a healthy body than it is to regain one. Proper health starts day 1 of life. Healthy kids make healthy adults.

The doctor of the future will give no medicine, but will interest his patients in the care of the human frame, in diet, and in the cause and prevention of disease. - Thomas Edison

unch & Connections

Boiled dinner coming in April

Our famous and favorite New England good nutrition, useful information and variety. Boiled dinner, canceled last month during the snows of March, will be served at the Center on Thursday, April 19. "You don't let this one go by," chef Frank Connors explained, "this is one the members wait for, and there are consequences if we let it Pass!"

Our Traditional boiled dinner includes brined-beef brisket, with sides of potatoes, carrots and turnip, all slow-boiled in a flavor-filled onion broth. Naturally, there will be a side of red pickled beets and of course there will be a fresh and green, lightly-dressed garden salad for all. Coffee, teas, fruit juices and milk are available with each meal, and we intend to keep you water glasses filled on each

Dessert this month will be a slice of Carmella's delightful Pistachio Cake with a generous side of ice cream, and Nancy is producing 12 loaves of Irish Soda Bread, so we can be sure everyone gets a great, flavor-filled slice. Finally, you just need to see how Gladys and company are decorating our tables to welcome Earth Day and Spring!

These monthly Lunch & Connections meals are sponsored by our friends at Spectrum Generations, and are intended to focus on

A CHANS home-healthcare professional is always in attendance to administer and record free blood pressure checks, Mary Marino of Mary's Affordable Hearing will be upstairs offering complimentary hearing evaluations, and you can bet you'll always find a friend or two, gathering around our coffee table.

Please remember to pre-register after the first of April if you want to be included. Seating is limited to the first 68 folks who call Barbara at 729-0757, and leave their name. Cost of the meal is still only \$6.00 for members and \$8.50 for non-members and you are not expected to pay until Betsy stops you at the door. Can't deal with parking and construction? You can pre-order a take out meal, and pick it up after 11:30 a.m., on the date of the Luncheon.

We hope you'll arrive at the Center after 11:15 a.m., and remember, carpooling with a friend makes it easier for everyone. You are automatically registered for one of our free door prizes when you attend, and you might want to buy into our 50/50 raffle while you wait for your meal. Last month's 50/50 winner at our Pizza Party took home \$27!

Our buffet-styled luncheon is served, begin-

Take Note! New Programming in April

- World Affairs Conversation Series with Ed Knox will now meet every other Friday. Please check the monthly calendar for dates. For members
- Advanced Bridge is back! The group meets Fridays at 1:00 pm.
- For April only, Women's Breakfast will meet the 2nd Thursday of the month, April 12, at 9:00 am (after Men's Breakfast)
- For April only, Apple Club will meet on Thursday, April 12, 10:00 am
- starting in April! Wednesdays, 9:00 am. Call the Center for weekly destination!

Please call 729-0757 to register for classes and events.

• 'Easy Riders' Biking Club is back Hair Cuts for Seniors

Fridays, 9-12 pm. Drop in for a \$10 haircut with Margarita Day, former owner of Margarita's Hair Styles in Brunswick. All proceeds benefit People Plus. No appointment necessary, just show up with clean hair and she will give you a cut! Open to the

Center Stage Players present "WHO CARES"

are a group of Mid-coast Maine seniors who create and perform original and classic pieces "readers theater" style. "WHO CARES" consists of two twenty-minute plays separated by a 5 minute interlude of poetry and music. Part one, "A Profusion of Roses" written by Marcus Steinour, is about the compassion and understanding of a family member who has taken on the task of caregiver. Part two entitled "Plain & Simple" written by Millie

Thu, Apr 26, 1:30 pm. Center Stage Players Ackley, is a lighthearted look at relationships at a summer arts and crafts colony and how the group comes together to help an elderly couple. Free, open to the public. Registration

ROLLERLATES! Have you tried it yet?

Wednesdays, 1:30 pm

Last Chance to Register!

Spain's Classics & Portugal Trip

Visit Spain, Oct 17-30, 2018 with Collette Travel and People Plus! Some highlights include Lisbon, Fatima, Nazare, Madrid, Royal Palace, Toledo, Cordoba, Seville, Granada. Open to the public. FMI contact Jill at People Plus. Deposits due April 11, 2018.

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Swing Dance Brunswick at People Plus

Sunday, April 15, 6-8 pm. All ages welcome. No experience necessary. You don't need to bring a partner! Includes beginner's lesson 6-6:30, taught by DJ Paul Krakauske. Please being dance shoes to change into when you arrive to protect the floor. Suggested \$5 Donation. Open to the public. FMI swingdancebrunswick.org.

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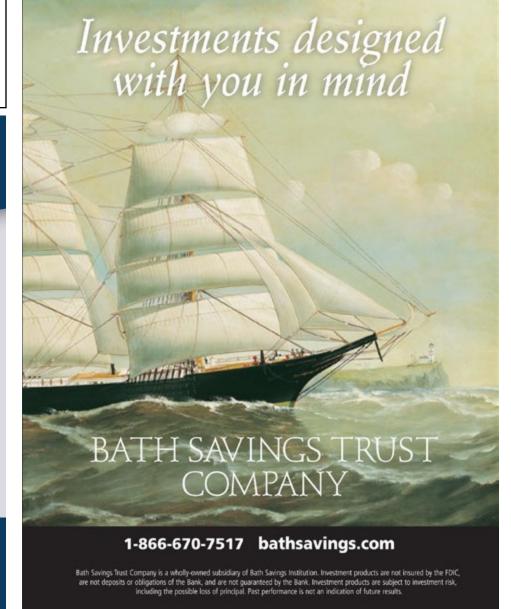
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April is National Poetry Month, 30 days of celebrating the joy, expressiveness, and pure delight of poetry. To help your inner poet break free we have come up with some light and lively ways to explore poetry throughout the month.

- Poetry Takes Wing in the Collaboratory: a month-long collaborative poetry exhibit featuring an Ekphrastic Poetry Café and Art Exhibit. See art from
- Spindleworks and local schools on display, then let your inner poet run free.

 Poem in Your Pocket: Thursday, April 26 All Day! On this day, select a poem, carry it with you, and share it with others at schools, bookstores, libraries, parks, workplaces, street corners, and anyone who will listen!
- Open Mic Night: Thursday, April 26, 6:30 pm: All community members young and old are welcome to join us for open mic night at the library.
- Poetry and Music: Fridays, noon to 1:00 pm: Each week, come hear featured poets
- April 6: Spindleworks Poets and Musicians
- April 13: Featuring Poet Maryli Tiemann; Music by Louise Gephart, harp April 20: Featuring poets from People Plus Write On Writers Group; Music by Brian Cullen, classical guitar

April 27: Curtis Library staff share their favorite poems, Music by Dave Bullard vents are free and open to the public. No registration required.

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Mary Poppins tickets on sale at People Plus

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in age from 3-70 from the Mid Coast and other surrounding areas! The show will be fabulous with all your favorite songs, beautiful costumes and lots of fun for the whole family! The show includes our own Jill Ellis and family! MYT will present Mary Poppins at Brunswick High School's Crooker Theater on Thursday May 3,

Join us on a "Jolly Holiday" as Midcoast Friday May 4, and Saturday May 5 at 7 pm. Youth Theater (MYT) presents Mary Poppins! Also 2 pm matinees on Saturday May 5 and

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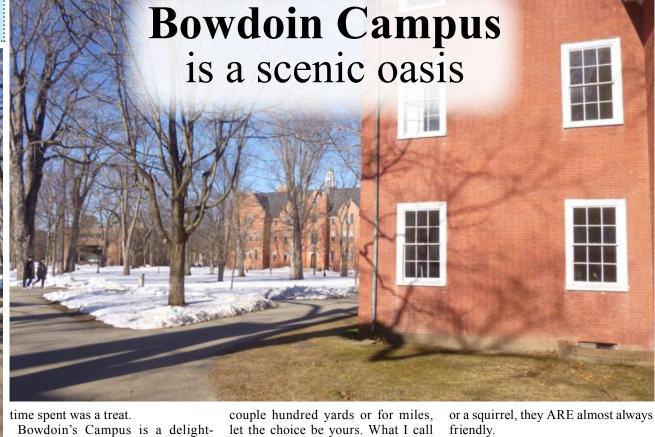
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If you have a favorite walk in the Brunswick area, let Frank know about it



Don't we all drive past the campus at Bowdoin College, take a quick glance inward perhaps, and then drive on? Last week, when most of the students were away on winter break and the grounds were still pretty much shrouded in snow, I decided to park my truck and wander for an hour. The trek took two hours, and the



ng walkways, connecting building after building and loaded with vistas, architectural details, and carefully groomed trees. You can

let the choice be yours. What I call ful network of accessible, welcomthe "traditional campus" is always most interesting. That area closed by

Bath Road, Maine Street, Longfellow Avenue and Harpswell Road is just loaded with buildings, old *trank* and new, paths are almost always clear and dry, and

Soon the snow will give way to green grass, those kids will be back, energized to toss frisbies and finish classes, and after that, we have a summer of engagement with our Maine State Music Theatre. I can't imagine a time when it's not fun and interesting to wander around the when you meet a student, grounds of Bowdoin College.

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occurring in other parts of the building. The bookstore reopened on Friday, a new set of doors inside the familiar Pleasant Street entrance to the build-

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ter of campus, walk for a

Hours remain Monday through March 9th. Regular patrons will note is located at 11 Pleasant Street in is sponsored and operated by the Friends ing; these doors lead to the entrance of Curtis Library, with all purchases of the store. The layout of the store is and donations in support of the library.



ANONYMOUS PEOPLE

The Anonymous People features prominent people who are living publicly in long-term recovery, like former NBA star Chris Herren, award-winning actress Kristen Johnston, Miss USA 2006 Tara Conner, best-selling author William Cope Moyers, former congressmen Patrick Kennedy and Jim Ramstad, among others. Their brave testimonies dispel long-standing clichés about addiction and recovery and turns the focus of conversation from problems to solutions.



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Brunswick Area Teen Center

Counting the days (and kids) for the Gelato Fiasco Scoop-a-Thon

April! Finally! Hope the weather is better than it was in March!

April is our hard-work/good fun month! Both Music in April and the Gelato Fiasco Scoop-a-Thon are this month! These events take months of preparation, always end up fun and are the only fundraising events done by the Organization each year. The funds raised from these two events are always crucial towards meeting our budget needs for the year!

The Scoop-a-Thon benefits the Teen Program and if you have not been before, features 12 hours of "celebrity scoopers", outdoor entertainment and brings in over 1,000 people during those 12 hours! I always get to see old friends and new friends at this event, which I love! From 7-11 p.m. it's all Bowdoin College student scoopers (sometimes a staff member!) and the entertainment is all by Bowdoin student

What do YOU have to do on this day, besides show up? Eat some delicious gelato or sorbetto, drink some great coffee, stock up on goodies to go and buy a few raffle tickets for our 50/50 raffle!

We have sooooo many new kids this year that this will be a first for many of them! I also think it will be a bigger group this year e-gads! I have visions of children all holding onto a long rope and walking in and orderly fashion on field trips but those are fantasies or hallucinations really.

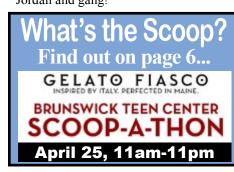
In the past, some kids liked to ride bikes down, or skateboard or walk way ahead or lag far behind....some want to leave after 10 minutes, some want to stay for an hour, some want to wear funny hats and get balloon animals, others think that's

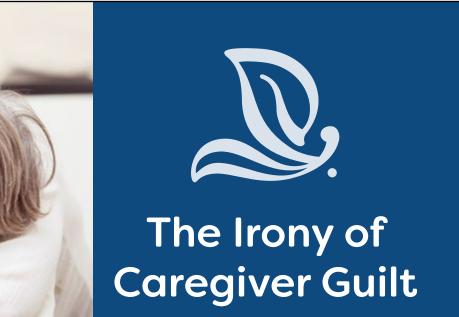
They all think it is a "blast" though! I have learned over the years that the 3 most important things I need to do are #1 give my one minute pre trip pep-talk (aka-expected behavior rules!), #2, do a headcount when leaving center and #3 do an headcount when returning to center and hope like crazy the numbers match! We haven't lost one yet! So, mark your calendars for April 25th and come on by The Gelato Fiasco!

Each year we take the TC members on a Other program news; we still have an

walking field trip to the event to get some average of 20 kids per day attending the gelato and say hi to all their supporters. program! We are attempting to create some downstairs activities during TC hours for added fun and to lessen our numbers upstairs, at least briefly! We currently have Zumba class on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 in the hall and so far, so good! There's also a group of girls who ask almost every day around 4:00 if they can go down to the hall with their music and just "play" and we have been trying to do that with them once a week as well

So, Hello April, goodbye March with your clock/time change and numerous snowstorms and school cancellations! We are ready to spring into Spring! Jordan and gang!





Caregiver guilt can sneak up and make you second guess the quality of care you are providing. Once this guilt sets in it starts to take away comfort and peace of mind. In this presentation, led by Janet Edmunson, we will explore guilt in all aspects of caregiving and learn ways to challenge it once it has set in.

About Janet Edmunson, M. Ed.:

Janet is a motivational speaker, consultant and trainer with over 30 years experience in the health promotion field. She is also an experienced caregiver having taken care of her husband, Charles, during the five years he fought a movement disorder with dementia.





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When: Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:30 PM | Refreshments served

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Teen Center News



Nice Duds! Pictured is Milo who is in 7th grade at BJH and he has been attending the TC program for a few months now. When asked why he was dressed up this day, he replied "because it's early release day" (school had 1/2 day that day). No, it was not "formal wear" day at school that day, Milo elicits lots of smiles at the TC with his individualism and he actually smiles a lot himself! Nice duds Milo!



Senior Intermediate Cribbage

Feb. 21: Lorraine LaRoche, 708 Armand Bouchard, 699 Patricia Johnson, 690 Anne Bouchard, 688

Feb. 28: Julie Swol. 708 Joe Tonely, 707 Tim Owens, 695

George Hardin, 726. Perfect Game! George Tetu, 690 Joe Tonely, 684

Mar. 14: Storm day, no play!

Mar. 21: George Tetu, 719 Harry Higgins, 716

Senior Bridge

Feb. 19: Lorraine LaRoche, 4,700 John Rich, 3,460 Bob Cressey, 3,420

Feb. 23: Bill Coop, 4,460 Sherry Watson, 4,170

Paul Betit, 3,600 Craig Aderman, 3,540 Betsy Mace, 3,590

Jeff Lauder, 3,040 Paul Betit, 3,760 Cathy Cooper, 3,690

Tina Iffland, 4,430

Jeff Lauder, 3,520 Mar. 12: David Bracy, 4,650

Bill Coop 3,440

Paul Betit, 4,090 Mar. 16: John Rich, 4,110



THANKS! Brunswick High School class of 1949 (pictured at their 25th reunion) voted recently to "unorganize" and liquidate their assets. After just a little bit of discussion, remaining classmates agreed to send a check to the People Plus Center, with instructions to add the money to the Center's permanent Endowment Fund.

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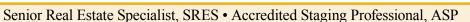
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The "Long & short of it!" Sam Whitaker, right, and Ann Young compare notes during an AARP Tax Aides interview at the People Plus Center last month. Sam has been a greeter for the tax preparers for at least seven years, and admits he is "well over six-feet tall!" Ann Young was one of more that 400 are residents completing their taxes at the Center this season, and she won't tell anyone how tall she is!





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safely and securely destroy their current Medicare card and keep their new Medicare number confidential. Issuance of the new number will not change benefits that people with Medicare receive.

CMS will begin mailing the new cards to people with Medicare benefits in April 2018. FMI visit www.cms.gov/newcard



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Across our agency, we are always actively searching for committed volunteers looking for the opportunity to give back to those in their community. With locations throughout the state of Maine, we're able to offer you the chance to connect with your neighbors and help those who need it most.



Meals on Wheels Nutrition Coordinator, Casey Henson (front), thanks volunteers at the annual volunteer appreciation party with a gift of Meals on Wheels "survival bags". Not only do Meals on Wheels drivers from left to right) Su, Jen, Geoff, Steve, and Amy, deliver nutritious meals to homebound seniors and disabled adults in their community, but also a friendly smile!

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Ellen's "coldest and driest" Sauna evah!

a day that includes a Sauna bath will fix just about anything. I've called her the Sauna Queen to folks who don't know her, and will never meet her. She brings me internet stuff, raving about what Saunas might do for my heart, and newspaper clippings saying Saunas might also reduce stress, clear my skin, aid my digestion, even change my attitude; AND, once or twice a month, she's right there at my door, suggesting I might want to Sauna after her!

At 80-something and a genuine, first-generation Finn, Ellen certainly is the Sauna expert. This lady walks around our neighborhood, happily humming the National Anthem of Finland. When the United States played Finland during the Winter Olympics last month, I was never sure who she might be rooting for! Ellen grew up on a side-mountain family farm outside South Paris, Maine. She says her family didn't need a Sauna building back in those days because neighbors and friends up and down the road were always ready and willing to share their Saunas. Communal Saunaing ("ladies first," she's quick to add, "gents next") were at least a once-weekly tradition in her younger days.

When Ellen and her husband Joe moved to Brunswick back in the 60's, it was only a

I'm thinking my dear friend Ellen believes the easterly corner of their garage. A "vis-going to happen! My compromise became iting Cousin" from Finland actually did the building, she offered proudly, "he became quite builder, later," she added, "he lived on a lake in a boathouse that had a Sauna

> But I digress, this piece is about me learning to Sauna.

Please remember, I grew up a Baptist boy from Bowdoinham, and the closest I got to communal bathing would have been a gaggle of Boy Scouts in a swimming pool. The thought of sitting by myself, naked, in super-heated space took some getting used to, but two, maybe three years ago, I'm think it was a Christmas Eve, I took my first Sauna over at Ellen's, and I was immediately smitten! It really is a unique and pleasurable experience. I really did walk away feeling relaxed, energized, cleaned, and happy. So Ellen and I developed this routine. When she was firing her Sauna anyway, she'd let me know. She'd call when all was ready, I'd walk over and walk in. The next half to three-quarter hour really would be quite amazing. When I had finished, I'd dress, stick my head in her door, offer a thank you and she'd go do her Sauna!

Over the past several years, my interest grew and my questions multiplied. Of course I told her we should Sauna together. matter of time before a Sauna was added to of course she told me that was NEVER

what I like to call Ellen's "coldest and driest Sauna ever!" We sat together in her living room, reviewing information and directions she had prepared in advance, then I had a chance for questions.

My summary follows, if it sounds like a cooking recipe, I'm sorry.

Preheat the Sauna (remember, it's pronounced "SOW-na") to 140-160 degrees Fahrenheit. Yup, that is HOT! Ellen's well-insulated, cedar-paneled, traditional Sauna measures about 8x8 feet square, not counting the 4x8 foot entry where we store wood and stash towels. I walk in, facing a wooden pad over a floor drain and the box-shaped wood stove, belching heat and glowing cherry red, is right in front of me. A pan of fist-sized rocks is atop the stove. To your left is a built-in bench with a rack above, maybe chest high, where I can lay if I really want to warm up fast. If Ellen's prepared the Sauna, there's a pan with soap, two pails of water (one cold, one hot,) a dipper, and a stiff-bristled brush waiting on the bench.

After sitting awhile in my altogether, I use the dipper to throw cold water onto the hot rocks. Hot steam will fill the room and warm your body, and if you're normal, vou'll start to sweat. Quoting Ellen here, "continue this until you've had enough, you

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can rinse a little with a washcloth if you

After a liberal sweat, leave the Sauna room, and sit in the dressing room to cool off. I'm thinking this is when Ellen might do a few pages of a good book, I just sit quietly for a few minutes, meditate, breathe deeply. When ready, I go back to the Sauna room and repeat the process. Quoting Ellen again: "at some point when you've had enough, stand beside the bench and wash the body. Fill a basin (or bucket) with cold water and pour it over yourself to rinse."

Quoting Frank, now: "if this doesn't make you feel invigorated, probably you're already dead!"

If it's dark outside, if there's snow on the ground, you might want to snow bath outside, but I never have. There are some things I just don't dare do outside Ellen's

Here are Ellen's last words: "fill a basin with cold water and pour it over you, finish by retreating to the dressing room to dry off OR take a moment to run outside.... or around the neighborhood..... then dress and feel super!"

I can tell you, life in Bowdoinham was NEVER like this!

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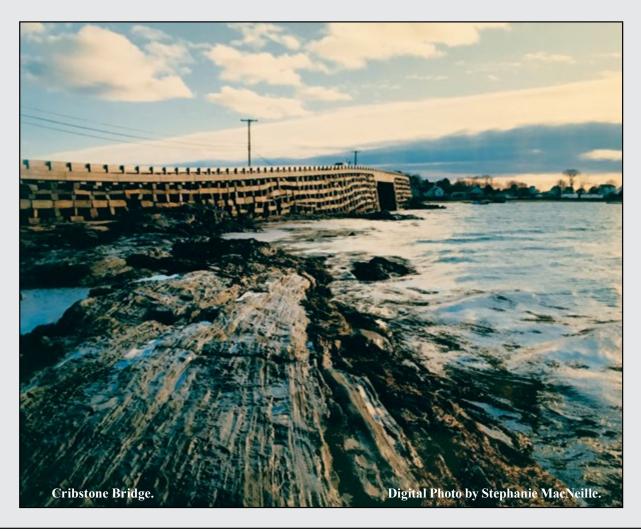
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MacNeille exhibits collection of photographs



Color photography by Stephanie MacNeille is the subject of our newest exhibit in the Union Street Gallery at People Plus. A Bailey Island "resident from away" for "many years," MacNeille credits the world around her for much of her inspiration and work. She said she started photography "just for the fun of it," and when folks looked at her pictures, they started complimenting her and telling her she "had an eye of a photographer."

"I sort of stumbled into all this," she said, she said of her photography, first buying a better camera, then adding her own printing equipment. Last summer she "got a little more serious," offering some prints for sale in a local gift shop. "I sold a bunch," she said, her voice raised with surprise, "it's just nice to be appreciated!"

MacNeille acknowledged she's, "from away," but was quick to point out obvious roots. "My grandfather Perry MacNeille came to Bailey Island in 1909, designed and built a cottage, and had something to do with the design and building of Library Hall," she added with obvious pride. She described herself as "from Oakridge, Tenn., Rochester, N.Y., Thompson, Conn.,... and various other places." In 1999 she "retired back to Bailey Island, and never wanted to be anywhere else. I'm home," she said, "I'm here to stay."

Most of the photography in this exhibit is professionally matted and offered for sale. The show is always open to the public, free of charge, during normal business hours at the People Plus Center, 35 Union Street, Brunswick.

The Harpswell Garden Club will meet Thursday April 19, 2018 at 12:30 p.m. at the Kellogg Church, Rte. 123 Harpswell Center. Amy Maloney of Pretty Flowers, Brunswick will present "Spring Floral Designs" and show how to bring Spring inside. Free and open to the public. FMI call Becky 833-6159

"Harriet Beecher Stowe: The Little Lady Who Started That Great War"

The Pejepscot Genealogical Society (PGS) will hold its next monthly meeting in the Morrell Meeting Room of the Curtis Memorial Library, Brunswick, Maine on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 2 pm. Guest speaker Cathi Belcher of Bowdoin College will present

"Harriet Beecher Stowe: The Little Lady Who Started That Great War". This lecture will give a well-rounded look at the background, the life and family of Harriet Beecher Stowe, and the personal events which led up to the writing of her most famous book, *Uncle Tom's*

Cabin. After a brief synopsis of the book, we'll look at various African-American men and women with whom Stowe had contact, and how they influenced her writing. Some original sources, such as letters written by Stowe, will be read, as well as excepts from her books.

Ms. Belcher is the Stowe House Educator for Bowdoin College, giving tours, talks, as well as developing and implementing programs and events about Harriet, her literature and her famous 19th Century New England family. Cathi is a writer, an artist, a former homeschool mom, and a long-time owner of a 32-room inn in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. Born and raised in the Hudson Valley of NYS, she now resides in Topsham, ME where, in addition to her love of history and "all things Harriet", she offers workshops of interest to women. There will be a brief social period with refreshments before and after the speaker. A business meeting will follow. For more information contact John Webster, PGS President at (207) 833-5430.

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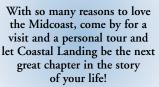




























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