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For February, our services will ONLY be available livestreamed on Facebook every Sunday morning at 9:30. If you are unable to join us at that time, the recorded service will remain on Facebook for you to watch at your convenience. Just look for Wayne Community Church on Facebook or go to www.wayneumc.com to find the link. On the church website, you can also listen to our sermon podcast, check out the Worship Duty Schedule, as well as find current and past issues of the Wayne Messenger.

THE WAYNE MESSENGER

Carol Steck, Editor News for the March Messenger is due by 5 pm, February 15th at editorwcc@gmail.com.

Wayne Maine Events Calendar

All in one event platform designed to strengthen and connect our community. **SEARCH** for an event or **SUBMIT** an event with the click of a button.

Check back often, there's always something new! Dear Friends and Neighbors,

You have probably heard by now that we are limiting in-person gatherings at church to no more than 10 people. As people continue to get sick with COVID and the virus continues to mutate, we are left with no other option but to do our best to reduce risk at Wayne Community Church. It's frustrating, disappointing, and sad. When things are beyond my control, I turn to the best source I know for comfort, assurance, and hope — my faith. And one of the modern prophets of my faith is Dr. King.

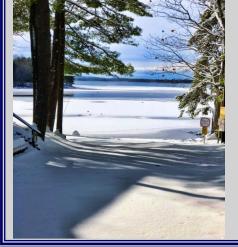
Since January 17 was Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, I hope this is still timely enough for a February newsletter. In 1955, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. received his Doctorate degree from Boston University School of Theology, a Methodist institution (and still a part of our United Methodist connection today). In 1957, three years after the Brown v. Board of Education decision, African Americans were still waiting for the federal government to fulfill the promises made in that landmark case. Dr. King was part of a pilgrimage to the Lincoln Memorial (some 20,000 people) and gave an address called, "Give Us the Ballot." In it, he named the frustration, disappointment, and grief that African Americans still suffered as they were continually being denied the right to vote, a basic right as citizens of this country. On that day, he said,

There is something in our faith that says to us, "Never despair; never give up; never feel that the cause of righteousness and justice is doomed." There is something in our Christian faith, at the center of it, which says to us that Good Friday may occupy the throne for a day, but ultimately it must give way to the triumphant beat of the drums of Easter. There is something in our faith that says evil may so shape events that Caesar will occupy the palace and Christ the cross, but one day that same Christ will rise up and split history into A.D. and B.C., so that even the name, the life of Caesar must be dated by His name....

Go out with that faith today. Go back to your homes in the Southland to that faith, with that faith today. Go back to Philadelphia, to New York, to 1957 Detroit and Chicago with that faith today, that the universe is on our side in the struggle. Stand up for justice. Sometimes it gets hard, but it is always difficult to get out of Egypt, for the Red Sea always stands before you with discouraging dimensions. And even after you've crossed the Red Sea, you have to move through a wilderness with prodigious hilltops of evil and gigantic mountains of opposition. But I say to you this afternoon: Keep moving. Let nothing slow you up. Move on with dignity and honor and respectability.

Many of us feel a bit like we're in a wilderness – lonely and isolated, separated (again) from family and friends, watching sickness (not only COVID, but other seasonal viruses) swirl around us, struggling as businesses and hospitals are understaffed and staff are overworked. But even while Israel was suffering in the wilderness, God provided manna and quail, water and healing. Even as the people endured 40 years of feeling like they didn't know where they were going and even suggesting going back to Egypt (to slavery, to "normal," to how things used to be), God gave them hope and a vision for a future better than anything they had known before. A future where they would be united as one people. A future where they would be generous to the orphan, widow, and immigrant. A future where THEY would become the bridge to God, our source of hope, food, water, healing, and love for others. That is what God is calling us to still today. To keep moving. To let nothing slow us up. To move on with dignity and honor and





CHURCH NEWS

respectability. So, while the doors of the sanctuary might be closed for now, while our faces are still protected behind masks, while we search for safe ways to gather, we want you to know that the Church, YOUR Wayne Community Church, is still moving on. As you read this Messenger (and others), perhaps you will find an on-ramp onto this freeway in the wilderness, pointing us to the Promised Land. WCC wants to be the bridge that helps all people find THEIR path to spiritual growth. In Constant Love,

Rev. Angela

Because we realize that many folks are staying home to keep from getting sick, we want to let everyone know that Rev. Angela is available to bring Holy Communion to you at home. We believe in an "open table" which means that EVERYONE (regardless of age, religious affiliation, gender, etc.) is welcome to receive Communion. We believe that this can be a powerful way for someone to experience God's love and presence, even for the very first time. Please call the church office, 685-3505 and leave your name and phone number with Hannah. Rev. Angela will get back to you to set up a time to visit with you. Masks will be required except for the brief moment of eating and drinking the bread and juice.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Feb 3, 6pm - Trustees via zoom

February 8, 4pm – Worship Committee via zoom

Feb 8, 7pm - Ad Council via zoom

Feb 16, 6:30pm - SPRC via Zoom

Feb 23, noon – Re-Entry Task Force via zoom

You might recall from Christmas that we have built a new bridge with Capital Area New Mainers Project. Their executive director, Chris Myers Ashe will be joining our livestreamed service on Feb 13 to share with us the work they do to help new Mainers into homes and welcomed into our community. As a thank you for his time and a sign of our commitment to strengthening this bridge, we will be taking a Valentine's Day themed offering: "Love for Our Neighbors." To make a donation before Feb 10 please send your contribution to WCC with a note letting us know it's dedicated to "Love for Our Neighbors" or CANMP.

DUTY SCHEDULE

2/6 Liturgist: Doug Stevenson; Flowers: Judy Danielson 2/13 Liturgist: LouAnne Parker; Flowers: Hazel Stevenson

2/20 Liturgist: Lloyd Irland; Flowers: Jane Giglio

2/27 Liturgist: Sue Spalding; Flowers: Tammy Lindsey

If you would like to participate in Sunday morning worship by volunteering, please contact Holly Stevenson, hollystv@hotmail.com or 685-9005. We welcome you!

The Winthrop Hot Meal Kitchen will make meals available for pickup and delivery on Wednesdays. The Kitchen continues to be open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon for hot meal pickup only. Prepared meals will be available outside of the St. Francis Parish Hall, which will remain closed to the general public during food service hours.

February

2 - Peter Phair

- 6 Dot Jackson
- 6 Bob Abrahamsen
- 7 Alane O'Connor
- 7 Fred Duplisea
- 10 Seth Emery
- 10 Mandy Fitzgerald
- 11- Mary Brown Parlee
- 13 Carol Ladd
- 15 Kristina Stewart
- 16 Tammy Lindsey
- 17 Ben Petell
- 18 Chuck Thomas
- 19 Jamie Moore
- 19 Jan Cook
- 19 Wendy Castonguay
- 20 Jackie Hanley
- 21 Sarah Stevenson Morton
- 22 Dan Rotherham
- 22 Vin Burns
- 23 Joan Sandidge
- 24 Pamela Grimshaw
- 27 Donna Taranko-Moulton
- 27 Kendra Emery
- 29 David Randall

3- Tom Wells & Martha Hoddinott (33 years) 27- Bob & Linda McKee (57 years)

Birthdays and Anniversaries



23--John and Muffy Ireland (54 years)
23--Hobie and Pat Ellis (63 years)

March

- 2 Trish Hanley-Goodwin
- 5 Hannah Faulkner
- 5 Elaine Christopher
- 6 Sarah Petell
- 8 Tracy Stevenson McAleer
- 9 Sharon Bonney
- 9 Tina Barden
- 11 Jim Van Cott
- 12 Pat Murray
- 13 Christine Judd
- 13 Becca Reynolds
- 13 Tom Stevenson
- 14 John DeBlois
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- 15 Pat Nadeau
- 16 Mary Farnham
- 16 Phil Kerr
- 17 Pat Hatch
- 18 Elizabeth Curtis
- 18 Jeff Mullen
- 19 Sara Webster
- 21 John Christopher
- 24 Todd Goucher
- 24 George Ault
- 25 Jill Crocker
- 26 Danny Newcombe
- 27 Anna Boynton
- 28 David Webbert
- 29 Donna DeBlois
- 29 Peter Emery
- 31 M. T. Clark

TOWN NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Town Office will be open by curbside only. Residents are requested to avoid conducting business in person at the Town Office. Please call or email or utilize our many online services.

However, if you must conduct business in person, please contact Town Office in advance or when you are in the parking lot, and we will serve you.

Your second installment of property taxes is due on January 31, 2022. Interest will begin to accrue on February 1, 2022, at 6% per annum.

Any dog not registered will be assessed a \$25.00 late fee charged after Saturday, February 1, 2022.

Dog tags are available at the Town Office, if you contact the Town Office for details.

Winter is here! Winter sand is available for residents use at home on Fairbanks Road near the Town Sand/ Salt Shed, only two buckets per storm.

Please take notice, Maine State Law: 29-A, M.R.S.A. §2396, prohibits any person from placing in the public way snow or slush that has not accumulated there naturally.

This month the Selectboard will be meeting on February 1 and February 15 at 6:30 PM by Remote.

This month the Conservation Commission will be meeting on Wednesday, February 2nd, 2022, at 5:30 PM by Remote.

This month the Planning Board will be meeting on Wednesday, February 2nd, 2022, at 6:30 PM by Remote.

In observation of Presidents' Day, Monday, February 21, 2022, the Town Office will be closed.

The Town's Assessor Agent Matt Caldwell from RJD Appraisal will be available by appointment on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, to answer any questions you might have about your assessment or tax bill. Please contact, the Town Office to schedule an appointment.

During the week, the week of February 7-11, the Town's Assessing firm, RJD Appraisal will be conducting Quarter Reviews. Every year, they conduct Quarter Reviews on a different quarter or section of town. These reviews consist of an Assessor visit to every property in an area and a check for changes to help keep our tax records. This year, our Assessors will be checking Tax Maps 8, 10,11,17,18 (North Wayne).

The Browntail Moth Will be Back: What to know now

Recently the Town Selectboard had a briefing on Browntail Moth from a Maine Forest Service entomologist. **The 25 cent summary: expect more of them in 2022**. If you suffered from discomfort last summer from these caterpillars, there is one thing you can do now: Find and clip the winter webs.

If you are wondering how to get yard trees sprayed or injection treated this summer, details and vendors can be found on the MFS website noted below. Last summer pest control companies were overbooked so if you think you'll need this, call them now. Note: it won't be cheap.

Browntail Moth winter web description:

- 2-5 inches (5-10 cm) long
- white silk tightly woven around a leaf or small number of leaves
- string of white silk tying leaf to twig
- small brown hairy caterpillars inside dense silk web
- on branch tips of oak, apple, crabapple, cherry, shadbush and rugosa rose (occasionally other trees as well)

For a picture, go to: https://www.maine.gov/dacf//mfs/forest_health/documents/browntail_moth_brochure.pdf

Clip the webs anytime before March and drop into a bucket of soapy water. Or burn them promptly. Pesticide free!

Experts tell us that anything you can clip that can be reached with a pole pruner will help a lot next summer. The ones at tops of trees should be visible but obviously need another approach. More on that next time.

Wayne Presents!

Informational Program on Heat Pumps sponsored by WayneMaineEvents.com

Join us for an informational discussion about the technology, installation, costs and benefits of Heat Pumps via Zoom, on February 22, 2022, 6:30-7:30 pm.

The panel will include:

- •Andy Meyers and Lily McVetty of Efficiency Maine Introduction to Heat Pumps, benefits, financing, and how to find an installer
- •Mike Ketchen, VP Heat Pumps Division
- •Dave's Appliance, Winthrop Equipment, sizing, installation and operations issues
- •A Wayne user (TBA)- experience with the process, financing and operations
- •Moderated Q&A: Lloyd Irland

Stay tuned for upcoming informational panel discussions on other topics of interest to Wayne. www.waynemaineevents.com is a publicly accessible free online events and planning platform for the town sponsored by the Wayne Community Church, Androscoggin Yacht Club, Ladd Recreation Center, Sustain Wayne and the Town of Wayne.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81342496674

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Calling all Tennis, Pickleball Lovers and Wayne Recreation Supporters, Friends, and Fans: Come show some love for our Courts!

For Valentine's Day, please consider a contribution to the special fund set up by the town for renovating a beloved town asset - the Ladd Recreation Center tennis and pickleball courts.



Our courts date back to 1976 when the Ladd Recreation Center was built. Unfortunately, the courts were built on a clay surface with poor drainage, resulting in considerable cracking and heaving over the years.

Three years ago, the courts were refurbished, but the investment only solved the cracking and pitching problem briefly, reinforcing the case for tackling the underlying problem.

We have brought in a geotechnical engineer to dig test holes around the fence, which confirmed the need for excavation and putting in place an enduring drainage base for the courts. The non-binding estimates for the renovation—which would include the current configuration of two tennis courts and two pickleball courts - is in the \$250K range.

A few of us have stepped forward to pledge early funds toward this project, getting us to \$80K in commitments! The courts are used by year-round and summer residents and provide instruction for young people who will feed into the local high school sports teams.

Along with donations, we will be exploring potential grants, but we need to raise at least half the total and provide evidence of support to be eligible for a potential Federal grant!

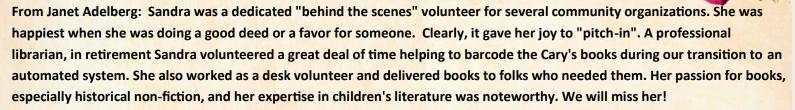
Please do consider joining this grassroots effort to secure a vital community resource for our wonderful Wayne community! Your contribution will be fully tax-deductible, and if you have access to corporate matching, please do so, a pledge would be helpful as well. Wayne's town manager Aaron Chrostowsky oversees the fund and will be sure to send you the necessary documentation. Please mail your gift or intention to LRC Campaign, Town of Wayne, P.O. Box 400, Wayne, ME 04284.

Finally, if you have questions or want more information, don't hesitate to be in touch.

Carol Ladd, Tony and Anita Gotto, Dallas Folk, Sally Osberg, Beth Breazeale, and Aaron Chrostowsky

Sandra Fowler A LIFE REMEMBERED

Remembering Sandra Fowler; who we are sad to say died December 24, 2021, at home.



From Pam Chenea: I first met Sandra when she was on the board of Aging At Home, Wayne. She volunteered many hours of her time to the Elders of Wayne. She thoughtfully contributed to all our discussions and plans for the direction of AAH. She helped put on our Elders Luncheons. Sandra always contributed her delicious chocolate chip or oatmeal cookies to the luncheons, and people clamored for them. She would finish cleaning up after the meal, and would grab heavy tote bags of supplies and be up the steep library stairs with them before I knew it!

When Sandra turned 80, she told me that now she was an "Octogenarian Librarian."

Sandra helped obtain items for and distribute AAH Covid/emergency bags to elders during the first year of the pandemic. She helped plan for the Elders Celebration this summer, making corsages and boutonnieres for the honorees.

Sandra and I often walked together in the woods or in downtown Wayne, and during those times I learned of her family, her growing up, her education at the University of Maine, and her marriage. After I had surgery recently, she brought me books from the library and returned my books for me. Sandra showed caring concern for others and was always offering to help them. She was a self-effacing woman who should be celebrated. She contributed much to Wayne. I will miss my friend.

From Stan Davis: I worked with Sandra at the James Bean School in Sidney, where she was the school librarian, for many years. She had a remarkable caring connection with each of our elementary school students. Sandra could find a book that every child loved. She helped many of our struggling students become readers. She worked to learn the emerging library technologies. Sandra pioneered an educational curriculum to teach Elementary School students to tell the difference between authoritative sources and fakery on the Internet. Sandra lived her life to help others, an ethic of service she learned from her father- who was a State Trooper in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont. She cared for her husband Jack through his struggles with dementia, quietly helped others in town, and supported her brother in Scarborough. Living on a small fixed income in her retirement, Sandra always found a way to help those in need in our community. If people want to do something in her honor, I would suggest a donation to the Cary Library for children's books or a donation to the Ladd Special fund at the Town of Wayne, which she donated to regularly.



CARY MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS AND EVENTS

Library Winter Hours

Monday: 9-1 Thursday: 3-5 Tuesday: 3-5 Saturday: 9-3

Wednesday: 1-6



New Books

Fiction:

The Promise (Galgut, D.); Reckless Girls (Hawkins, P.); The Maid: A Novel (Prose, N.); Honor: A Novel (Umrigar, T.); Criminal Mischief (Woods, S.); Paris Detective (Patterson, J.); Murder in Chianti (Trincieri, C.); Our Country Friends (Shteyngart, G.); Legacy (Siguradottir,, Y.); Crossroads (Franzen, J.); When Two Feathers Fell From the Sky (Verble, M.), The Family (Krupisky, N.) Something to Hide (George, E.); The Last House on the Street (Chamberlain, D.) Midnight Hour (Griffiths, E.) and more.

Non-Fiction

The Field House: A Writer's Life Lost and Found on an Island in Maine (Wood, R.); The 1619 Project: A New Origin Story (Hannah-Jones, N.); These Precious Days: Essays (Patchett, A.); Carry On: Reflections for a New Generation (Lewis, J.); Ministry for the Future (Robinson, K.); Finding Chika: A Little Girl, An Earthquake, and the Making of a Family (Albom, M.); Taste: My Life Through Food (Tucci, Stanley); Wintering: The Power of Rest (May, K.) and Stupid Things I Won't Do When I Get Old (Petrow, S.);) and more.

DVDS:

Dear Evan Hansen; In the Heights; Respect; Dune; and The French Dispatch.

Staying Safe: With Covid continuing to plague us, please make your library visits short. If you'd like Porch Pick-up, just ask, that is easily arranged. (685-3612). Please wear a mask indoors, and do not visit if you feel unwell.

The Library will be closed on Monday Feb. 21 in observance of President's Day.

The next **Brown Bag Book Discussion** will take place on Monday Feb. 14. We will be discussing Simon Winchester's The Professor and the Madman. Quoting the publisher: "A New York Times Notable Book - The Professor and the Madman is an extraordinary tale of madness, genius, and the incredible obsessions of two remarkable men that led to the making of the Oxford English Dictionary--and literary history."

The latest edition of the Wayne Reader's Blog can be found on our website: https://www.cary-memorial.lib.me.us/readers-blog-2/
There is also a browsing copy in the library.



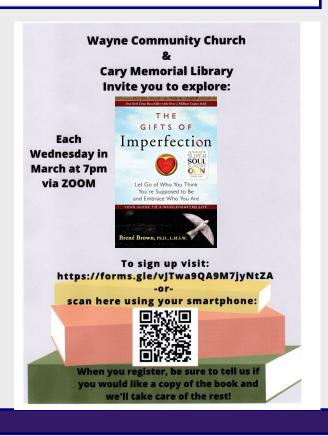
Williams House boutique and books are open for browsing by appointment, as we will not be open First SAT in February-hopefully we will see you in March. Just give us a call and we will be happy to open up for you, Holly at 685-9005 or Cindy, 685-4235. We have a nice selection of Valentine items including cards and some classroom packs of Valentines, dishes, and curios. We also have some new, with tags on, children's winter clothing. Also thinking SPRING with Easter items: rabbits, gardening items, sailboat runner, planting pots, Japanese tea set, and many 'like new' kitchen items. Lots of new jewelry also. The Alice in Wonderland Room will be open and welcomes you--come enjoy a peek at this magical room, complete with murals of Alice, the White Rabbit, Queen of Hearts, and many other characters. Look forward to welcoming you! Masks are required, thank you.



Back in the 1930s and 40s there were several auto garages in the town of Wayne. Many of you remember or have heard stories about Jowetts Garage on Main Street, then located where the current public boat ramp is today. There was also a garage owned by Archie Wells on the other end of Main Street across from the Johnson House (pillared house at the corner of Main and Old Winthrop Rd) Does anyone remember a third garage located in the Village during that same time? (Answer on page 8)

Additionally in the 1950's you could fill your car on Main Street where today you pick up your mail!

| | Gas Prices (Per Gallon) | New Car Prices | |
|------|-------------------------|----------------|--|
| 1930 | 10¢ | \$600 | |
| 1940 | 11¢ | \$850 | |



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Kennebec Land Trust Reaches 7,450 Acres of Conserved Land with the acquisition of 120-acres in Fayette

Fayette— On December 23, 2021, a real estate closing was held at the offices of Lake and Denison in Winthrop Maine, and title to the 120-acre Jean E. (Wheeler) Hewett property on the Norton Road in Fayette was passed to

Kennebec Land Trust (KLT). This conservation land is now permanently protected for current and future generations.

At the closing, Janet Sawyer, KLT President expressed her gratitude to the Hewett Family and recognized their legacy - conserving this land will forever protect wildlife habitat and water quality in the 30 Mile River Watershed, including the waters of Echo Lake, Lovejoy Pond, Hales Brook, Hales Pond, Pocasset Lake, and Androscoggin Lake.

KLT's Oak Hill Conservation Area includes a ridgeline just above Echo Lake and mature hardwood-conifer woodland adjacent to Hales Brook. This beautiful property near KLT's Surry Hill, Baldwin Hill, and Echo Lake properties features forestland, fields, valuable wetlands, and phenomenal scenic views. The property will provide new low-impact recreational opportunities, including hiking, hunting, skiing, and nature observation. The Hewett family will continue to operate a sugarbush on the property and KLT will manage the timber on long rotations for high-value sawlogs. KLT interns, volunteers, and staff will construct new trails on the property next summer.

The Hewett family, long-time residents of Fayette, have owned and taken care of this property since 1965. Ron Hewett, Jean Hewett's son, recently noted: We had to sell the land for financial reasons and we didn't want to just sell it to a developer. Working with KLT was the best way to keep the land the way it is. My dad wanted us to keep working the land, but to do it the right way.

In addition to a generous anonymous donation, KLT received financial support from many members, summer camps, members of the Echo, Lovejoy, and Pocasset Lake Associations, and generous grants from the Maine Community Foundation and the Davis Conservation Fund.

An August 18, 2022 property dedication is planned.

KLT's land conservation programs are a hopeful example of how conservation organizations and private landowners are making a big difference in Maine and the world. Permanently protected and well-managed lands like the Oak Hill Conservation Area sequester carbon – a natural climate solution. With this acquisition, KLT has now conserved over 7,450 acres with fifty-five miles of trails that are open to the public for outdoor recreation, including hiking, hunting, fishing, paddling, skiing, and nature observation.

For more information call 377-2848 or visit www.tklt.org



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Androscoggin Lake Improvement Corporation: 2021 Year In Review

2021 was a busy year for ALIC. Our volunteers worked tirelessly to preserve and protect the health of Androscoggin Lake and its watershed. ALIC also worked closely in partnership with 30 Mile River Watershed Association to focus on preventing the spread of invasive variable leaf milfoil and to respond to the worst algae bloom in the lake in more than twenty years. Together with 30 Mile River, here is what was accomplished in 2021:

- ** Monitored and removed invasive milfoil growing in the Inner Cove.
- ** Successfully advocated for a DEP order to restrict boaters from the infested milfoil area so that milfoil would not be carried to other areas of the lake.
- ** Increased funding to 30 Mile River for courtesy boat inspector coverage at the Route 133 boat launch to guard against introduction of new invasive plants into the lake.
- ** Organized more than 40 volunteers for the "Androscoggin Eyes on the Water shoreline survey of the entire lake to provide early detection of invasive plants.
- ** Coordinated the annual loon count conducted by volunteers who spotted the highest ever count of loons on the lake.
- ** Assisted 30 Mile River in monitoring and testing Androscoggin Lake water quality to obtain valuable data on clarity and phosphorous levels necessary to identify trends and threats to water quality.
- ** Responded rapidly after the worst algae bloom in the lake in more than twenty years. ALIC provided regular updates, valuable information about potential health threats to people and pets, and started the planning process for a strategy to combat against future algae blooms.

We expect 2022 to be an important time in the continuing effort to preserve and protect the water quality and natural beauty of Androscoggin Lake. Your contribution of time and money is crucial. Go to www.androscogginlake.org and click on "contact us" to express interest in getting involved.

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Wayne Conservation Commission's CHART OF THE MONTH



Androscoggin Lake's 2021 Water Quality Decline

Whitney Baker, 30 Mile River Watershed Association

In 2021, Androscoggin lake experienced a lake-wide algal bloom, only the second documented on the historical monitoring record spanning the last 52 years. In late August, ALIC and 30 Mile received reports of isolated algal blooms near shorelines. These ephemeral blooms typically concentrate along shorelines and in coves due to wind, and often disperse quickly. Blooms like these are not uncommon on Maine lakes during the summer, especially after rain events.

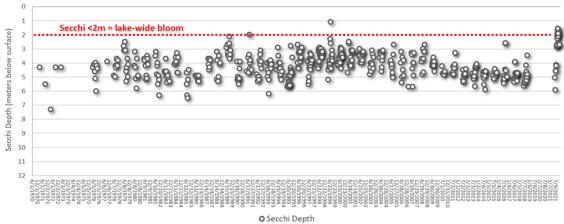
However, conditions worsened, and by late September water clarity met the criteria for lake-wide bloom status per the Maine DEP definition, with water clarity at the monitoring station below 2 M depth (less than ~6 feet). Clarity remained below or at 2 M through October and November, and the last water clarity reading collected in December showed only a slight improvement with clarity of 2.7 M.

The bloom was caused by cyanobacteria, a type of algae formerly called blue-green algae because dense blooms will turn the water green, or blue-green. Cyanobacteria are a natural and important part of the lake ecosystem, and found in lakes all over the world. However, when stormwater runoff from the land around the lake brings in enough nutrients (phosphorus), and conditions are just right, their population can explode. The result is what we call a "cyanobacteria bloom" or "algal bloom." The bloom in 2021 is very concerning. However, it's important to look at the historical monitoring data to better understand the expected conditions in Androscoggin Lake.

Historical Secchi Disk Transparency (SDT) data (1971 – 2021):

Secchi Disk Transparency (SDT) is an indicator of water clarity. A black and white disk is lowered in the water and the reading is taken at the depth at which it is no longer visible. Because it is low cost and easy to measure, SDT is used as a surrogate for measuring algal growth in the lake. SDT data was collected on Androscoggin during 47 of the past 52 years. Readings range from 1.1 M (1999) to 7.3 M (1972) with an average annual reading of 4.3 M.

Secchi Disk Transparency (water clarity) 1970-2021 Station #1 - Androscoggin Lake



Androscoggin Lake has a history of reduced water clarity readings during summer months, and has been just below its tipping point for some time. When conditions are just right, it does not take much to push it over the edge. Looking at the distribution of data on record, near-bloom conditions (SDT 2-3 m) were documented during 15 years, but lake-wide bloom conditions (SDT <2 m) just two years, during 1991 and 2021.

What caused the bloom?

Cyanobacteria rely on three things: light, temperature, and nutrients (phosphorus). It is likely that the high air and water temperatures this summer, in addition to the ongoing input of phosphorus as a result of stormwater runoff during summer rain storms, created the perfect environment for an algal bloom.

When it rains, phosphorus enters the lake via stormwater runoff from the land in the surrounding watershed. Phosphorus is a naturally occurring element found in soil, fertilizers, pet and livestock waste, and septic systems among other sources. It is found in very small amounts in the lake, but in very large amounts on land in the watershed surrounding the lake. Every time it rains, water flows over the land and flows downhill into the ditches, streams, and the Lake. When too much phosphorus enters the lake, excess algae growth occurs.

Our current understanding is that the bloom was caused by phosphorus loading from the surrounding watershed. The watershed areas of most concern are the direct watershed surrounding the lake and the Dead River, which this summer may have flowed into the lake instead of into the Androscoggin River due to several unusual factors.

To prevent another algal bloom, we must greatly reduce the phosphorus flowing into the lake. It is so important, now more than ever, that septic systems be functioning properly and pumped regularly. Polluted stormwater runoff needs to be prevented from entering the lake, by every landowner doing their part to be sure that soil, fertilizers, and waste are not washing or leaching into the lake from their property – from roads, driveways, paths, lawns, and more. We need to keep as many trees and shrubs, and as little lawn, growing around the lake as possible.

What you can do RIGHT NOW:

<u>Become LakeSmart</u>! Contact ALIC's LakeSmart team to receive a FREE evaluation and learn how you can improve your property for the benefit of Androscoggin Lake: <u>lakesmart@androscogginlake.org</u>, and visit https://www.lakes.me/lakesmart to learn more about this state-wide program.

Reduce or eliminate soil erosion on your property.

<u>Establish or improve vegetation on your shoreline</u>. The bigger (wider) your shoreline buffer, the better it is for the Lake. Buffers trap stormwater and phosphorus!

Stop using fertilizers on your lakefront properties.

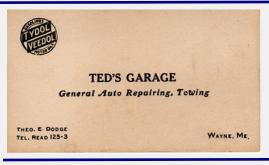
Maintain <u>a healthy septic system</u>, and pump your septic tank regularly.

Learn more at Maine DEP's website for Shorefront Property Owners: https://www.maine.gov/dep/land/watershed/camp/index.html

Visit 30 Mile's Androscoggin bloom page to learn how you can help: https://30mileriver.org/androscoggin-lake-algal-bloom-2021/



"The Wayne Conservation Commission will host a snowshoe/ski/hike through the Kennebec Land Trust's Perkins Woods Preserve in Wayne on Sunday, February 20, 2022. Meet at the State Boat launch in Wayne at 1:00 P.M. for an easy ski or snowshoe across the cove on Androscoggin Lake to the Perkins trailhead. The trail consists of a one-half mile loop through beautiful old-growth hemlocks, pines, and hardwoods. Snow and ice conditions can change, so please contact Diana McLaughlin at 685-9540 or Anne Huntington at annehuntington173@gmail.com a day or two before the event for an update."



TED'S GARAGE, owned by Theodore (Ted) Dodge, was located near the far end of Memorial Park Lane, at that time known as Back Street. Don Gatti remembers during his childhood that "whenever he and his friends had trouble with their bike tires you could always stop at the garage and Ted Dodge would happily fix it for them."

Thanks to Ted's grandson, Steve Dodge, for sharing this original business card.



1940 Cadillac Series 62



Hello to All,

I sometimes have to pause and realize we are in a new year. I cannot fathom that we have been in this pandemic for close to two years now. I hope you are staying strong and diligent. Here is some news for this month.

Coordinator Returns

From Deborah: Pam Chenea will be returning to her position as AAH Coordinator this month. Working as the Interim Coordinator has been a wonderful experience. I have met such wonderful people and hopefully provided assistance when needed. I thank you for your support and look forward to staying connected in the months ahead.

From Pam: I am happy to be back working as your coordinator. Thank you all for your support, cards, and emails during my recovery. I am well and my back is healing nicely. And I'm straighter! And taller by 2 inches! I'm hoping to see you soon. Please let me know if you need help with anything.

Buddy System

I would encourage each of you to find a 'buddy.' A buddy is someone you would talk to once a day in order to assure the safety and health of both of you. Here are some common guidelines when calling your buddy:

- Have the buddy's phone number and also a neighbor's phone number
- Make the phone call to your buddy each day
- If no one answers, call back in 15 minutes
- If no one answers this time, call the neighbor for a safety check
- If still no response, consider a call to police or rescue if you feel the person should be home and may need help.

KN95 Masks and Test Kits

We are still distributing KN95 masks and at home Covid Test Kits. Please contact Pam Chenea if you need either of these items. Guidelines for use of masks:

- They can be worn repeatedly if not damaged or soiled, but after a few wearings, switch to a new one and discard the old one.
- Keep them in a paper bag or in a cold car when not in use
- Do not wet them or spray them with a cleaning product

Pedestrian Crossing

Thanks to a grant funded by AARP, Wayne now has a pedestrian crossing light. You may have noticed the signs being installed recently. Each side of the road near the Memorial Park has a button to push so that pedestrians can cross the street safely. The signs will light up and flash while you are crossing. Many thanks to AARP for this grant funding.

In Memory of Sandra Fowler

Sandra was on our AAH board of directors. She was a tireless volunteer who spent many hours working for all of us. See a more extensive memorial of her in another part of this Messenger. We miss her!

Pam Chenea, Coordinator, Aging At Home, Wayne berryponder@gmail.com 201-685-9378

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462 Main Street, Wayne 207-931-9033 dmminwayne@gmail.com

CHOCOLATE COVERED DREAMS TURN INTO BUSINESS

Chocolate - It's the one taste everyone can agree on.

For years Donna Murray had been making her irresistible chocolate toffee candy for her family and friends, but after being approached by another town artisan of the possibility of selling her candy at the annual Wayne Holiday Stroll a new business suddenly was underway. With the input and support of her family, friends, and neighbors, the small shop is now licensed and open for all of us to enjoy.

Donna's candies are all locally hand-made in small batches. Currently, you can choose from several different beautifully boxed choices, including Maine's favorite Needhams, English toffees, and caramel peanut popcorn. Future plans include more kid-friendly choices, and creating new recipes and taste testing has already begun.

When you're looking for something for a special valentine, a hostess or teacher gift, or maybe a client thank you, you can't go wrong with these chocolaty treats. If her Open sign is out stop by, otherwise give her a call or text and she'll be glad to help.

Things in Wayne just got sweeter!

LOCAL BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Personal Training Services – Tigress Training, LLC

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- Mobile training option for Wayne residents (trainer can come to your home with equipment)
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Contact Trish Hanley-Goodwin @ 207.441.5641 or patriciahanleygoodwin@gmail.com

Beautiful three bedroom cottages on Lake Pocasset and Pickerel Pond for rent from mid May through mid October. All cottages have a private dock in front and a sandy beach in common. Contact Deb Duplisea at 207-685-9558. Email contact is drduplisea@aol.com or debrduplisea@gmail.com.

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Wilson Pond Lake House for Rent

Three bedroom, 2 bath, fully furnished lake house for rent June through October. Wifi, dishwasher and laundry included. By Wayne land preserve on the House Road.

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Course IV: Grilled Salmon Picatta or Filet Mignon or Stuffed Portabella Mushroom Cap w/ Risotto and Broccolini

Course V: Dessert Sampler: Lemon Tart, Cheesecake and Chocolate covered Strawberries

Limited Seating to 24 guests so please reserve: Tickets \$75.00

February 12, 2022 5:30-8 pm

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MT. PLEASANT CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Anyone who has family buried in this private cemetery (off the Gott Road) or owns a plot here, is a member of the Association. I am developing an email list to distribute information of interest to members. Please let me know if you would like to be on this email list.

Judy Danielson, Secretary, Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Association Judydanielson@gmail.com

WOOD AND METAL WORKS

Woodworking, Metal working New Work and Repairs PAUL CHENEA 207-344-5849

RSU #38

Manchester ~ Mount Vernon ~ Readfield ~ Wayne FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR **PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS**

RSU #38 is seeking all Pre-K and Kindergarten students for the 2022-2023 school year. Please call your local elementary school to add your name to the list for further information. Town of Wayne Pre-K parents please call Readfield Elementary School.

Manchester Elementary – 622-2949 Mt. Vernon Elementary – 293-2261 Readfield Elementary - 685-4406

Wayne Elementary – 685-3634 (Pre-K parents please call Readfield Elem.)

Age requirements by October 15, 2022:

Pre-K – 4-years old Kindergarten – 5-years old

FEBRUARY

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| | | 1 6:30 PM - Selectboard meeting remotely | 2 5:30 PM Conservation Commission meeting remotely 6:30 PM Planning Board meeting remotely 7 PM Gifts of Imperfection Discussion via Zoom | 3 6 PM Trustee's via Zoom | 4 | 5 |
| 6 9:30 am Worship | 7 | 8 4 PM Worship Committee via Zoom 7 PM Ad Council via Zoom | 9 6:30 Fire Dept. meeting 7 PM Gifts of Imperfection Discussion via Zoom | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 9:30 am Worship Welcome Chris Myers Asch to our livestreamed worship | 14 | 15 6:30 PM - Selectboard meeting remotely | 16 6:30 PM SPRC via Zoom 7 PM Gifts of Imperfection Discussion via Zoom | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 9:30 am Worship | 21 President's Day Town Office Closed Library Closed | 22 6:30 Informational seminar on Heat Pumps via Zoom | 23 Noon - Re-Entry Task Force via Zoom Tax Assessor available by appointment 7 PM Gifts of Imperfection Discussion via Zoom | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| 27 9:30 am Worship | 28 | | | | | |