

Gleanings

10 years ago

From the Journal Tribune: “Restrooms dominated Thursday’s (Kennebunkport) Selectmen’s meeting, as officials devoted three hours to the ongoing issue of locating public toilets at the Goose Rocks public beach. Selectmen began with a one-hour site walk of three possible locations off King’s Highway, Jeffery’s Way, Edgewood Drive and the town owned pump station. About 40 residents joined the walk, which continued after dark.”

50 years ago

From the Biddeford-Saco Journal: “The Gaulin administration presented an erudite, idealistic Biddeford charter change package to the Legislative Legal Affairs Committee Wednesday afternoon at the State House. ... Mayor Edward F. Gaulin told the hearing the present charter fails to provide adequate checks and balances and grants excessive power to the mayor.”

100 years ago

From the Biddeford Daily Journal: “Not since the big fire when Old Orchard was nearly wiped off the map, has the season been more promising than the present. At Old Orchard, in common with the other resorts of the state the outlook is most encouraging, the inquiry for cottages being strong and the bookings at the hotels unusually large for so early in the season.”

— Jeff Lagasse

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, March 25, the 84th day of 2015. There are 281 days left in the year.

ON THIS DATE:

- In 1306, Robert the Bruce was crowned King of Scots.
- In 1634, English colonists sent by Lord Baltimore arrived in present-day Maryland.
- In 1776, Gen. George Washington, commander of the Continental Army, was awarded the first Congressional Gold Medal by the Continental Congress.
- In 1865, during the Civil War, Confederate forces attacked Fort Stedman in Virginia but were forced to withdraw because of counterattacking Union troops.
- In 1911, 146 people, mostly young female immigrants, were killed when fire broke out at the Triangle Shirtwaist Co. in New York.
- In 1954, RCA announced it had begun producing color television sets at its plant in Bloomington, Indiana.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On March 25, 1965, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. led 25,000 people to the Alabama state capitol in Montgomery after a five-day march from Selma to protest the denial of voting rights to blacks. Later that day, civil rights activist Viola Liuzzo, a white Detroit homemaker, was shot and killed by Ku Klux Klansmen as she drove a black volunteer to the airport.

TEN YEARS AGO

Losing still more legal appeals, Terri Schiavo’s father, Bob Schindler, said his severely brain-damaged daughter was “down to her last hours” as she entered her second week without the feeding tube that had sustained her life for 15 years. An ailing, silent Pope John Paul II appeared to the faithful via video for Good Friday services at the Vatican.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Osama bin Laden threatened in a new message to kill any Americans al-Qaida captured if the U.S. executed Khalid Sheik Mohammed, the self-professed mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, or other al-Qaida suspects. Defense Secretary Robert Gates approved new rules easing enforcement of the “don’t ask, don’t tell” ban on gays serving openly in the military. Daisuke Takahashi gave Japan its first men’s title at the World Figure Skating Championships in Turin, Italy.

ONE YEAR AGO

Following a two-day security summit in The Netherlands, President Barack Obama declared that the gathering had taken “concrete steps” to prevent nuclear material falling into the hands of terrorists even though Russia and China failed to sign an agreement to beef up inspections.

— By The Associated Press

Quote of the day:

“Scratch a pessimist, and you find often a defender of privilege.”
— Lord Beveridge, British economist (1879-1963)

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Members of the University of New England traveled to Boston on March 13 to accept the New England Board of Higher Education Maine State Merit Award.

UNE recognized for ‘excellence in inovation’

BIDDEFORD — The University of New England was honored with the New England Board of Higher Education Maine State Merit Award at a ceremony held at the Boston Marriot Long Wharf Hotel on March 13.

The State Merit Award is presented each year to recognize excellence in innovation displayed by organizations, institutions or individuals in each New England state.

UNE was selected for this award based on its continued expansion, community involvement and value. Over the past decade, UNE has experienced significant increases in enrollment and opened northern New England’s only college of dental medicine, a college

of pharmacy and a campus in Tangier, Morocco, where undergraduates study for the same price as spending a semester on campus in Maine.

Today, UNE is the leading provider of healthcare professionals for the state. The university’s comprehensive health education mission positions it among a select few private universities in the U.S. that offer programs in osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, dental medicine, nursing and an array of allied-health professions.

UNE’s students and faculty also volunteer more than 10,000 hours of community service annually to 150 local organizations and schools. In addition, UNE students provide approximately

\$21 million in clinical care to Maine patients. UNE’s annual economic impact on the state totals nearly \$750 million.

“At UNE we often say, ‘We’re a private university with a very public mission,’” said UNE President Danielle Ripich. “We believe we have a responsibility to lead wherever we can – in our community, on our campuses, in our labs and in the fields in which we specialize. This award provides further validation that our approach is working.”

For more information about the 2015 NEBHE Excellence Awards, contact Marla Phippen at mphippen@nebhe.org or visit www.nebhe.org/events/excellence2015.

Briefly

Writer-in-residence debuts at Graves

KENNEBUNKPORT — Inspired in part by Virginia Woolf’s famous maxim that a writer must have a room of one’s own if they are to write, the Louis T. Graves Memorial Public Library in Kennebunkport and Maine Writers & Publishers Alliance have collaborated to create the inaugural Graves Library Writer-in-Residence program.

The premise is simple: Libraries are not only the institutions that house the end result of a writer’s

efforts, many libraries are also in a unique position to provide a small space in which writers can ply their craft.

“We thought, ‘Why not bring writers and libraries together in a more deliberate collaboration?’” said MWPA Executive Director Joshua Bodwell. “It’s our sincere hope that libraries across Maine take up the template we’ve built and run with it to create library residencies from Kittery to Fort Kent!”

The residency will provide one local author, chosen through an open call for applications, with a private writing room for

Community Calendar

Friday, March 27

Most Holy Trinity, 271 Main St., Saco, is hosting a baked haddock supper on Friday, March 27 from 4-6:30 p.m. The menu includes baked haddock, mashed potatoes, rice pilaf, string beans, coleslaw, rolls, beverage and dessert. The cost is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children. Pizza, beverage and dessert available for \$5. Proceeds benefit St. James School.

a term of one year. The residency is open to all writers at least 18 years of age who are residents of Louis T. Graves Memorial Public Library’s service

area: Kennebunkport, Kennebunk, and Arundel. The deadline to apply is May 1. Full details about applying can be found on the MWPA web site, mainewriters.org

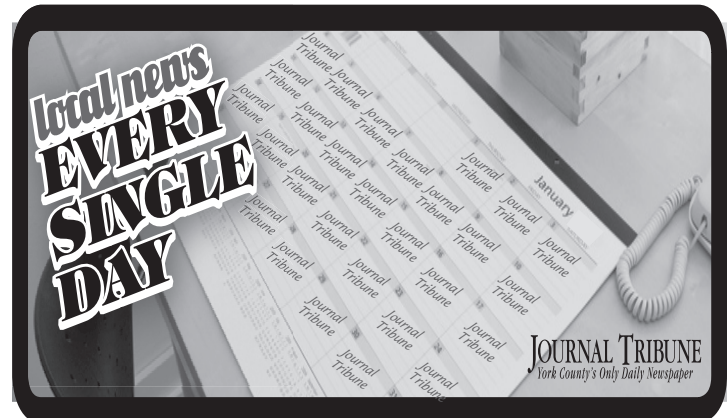
Lotteries

MASSACHUSETTS

Numbers – 1-0-5-6 (day)/4-2-8-4 (evening)
MassCash – 19-20-28-30-33
Mega Millions – 02-23-32-45-55, Mega Ball: 12

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Pick 3 – 6-9-2 (day)/8-5-2 (evening)
Pick 4 – 3-3-9-0 (day)/2-0-4-0 (evening)



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