Glenains

10 years ago

From the Journal Tribune: "A majority of councilors voiced their approval of creating drug-free safe zones throughout the city, after a lengthy discussion concluding the City Council meeting Tuesday. The amendment, an addition to the Parks and Recreation ordinance, would allow for increased penalties for anyone dealing drugs within 1,000 feet of designated athletic fields, parks and other areas where children gather."

50 years ago

From the Biddeford-Saco Journal: "A Portland man was charged today with reckless homicide in the highway accident where a South Portland man on U.S. 1 in Scarborough, Gerald J. Calway, 27, was to be arrested in District Court later today. Robert M. Ford, 44, was struck down by a car on a Tuesday night as he was returning to his tow truck."

100 years ago

From the Biddeford Daily Journal: “Oscar Hubert, the mason tender, formerly employed by Hiram O. Proctor, who died today, died this morning at the Webber hospital where he was taken after a long illness. He was about 40 years old and is survived by Mrs. Hubert and seven children. The mason’s act is attributed to ill health and nervous mind. He had been ill for a number of weeks and at times appeared to be going crazy.” — Kristyena Scribner

Today in History

Today is Shrove (preceding Ash Wednesday) Tuesday. Feb. 9, the 48th day of 2016. There are 326 days left in the year.

ON THIS DATE:
- In 1773, the ninth president of the United States, William Henry Harrison, was born in Charles City County, Virginia.
- In 1832, the House of Representatives elected provisional presidet of the Confederate States of America at a congress held in Montgomery, Alabama.
- In 1870, the U.S. Weather Bureau was established.
- In 1942, the U.S. Joint Chief of Staff held its first formal meeting to coordinate military strategy during World War II. Daylight-saving “War Time” went into effect in the United States, with clocks turned forward one hour.
- In 1950, in a speech in Wheeling, West Virginia, Sen. Joseph McCarthy, R-Wisc., charged the State Department was riddled with Communists.
- In 1964, The Beatles made their first live American television appearance on “The Ed Sullivan Show” broadcast from New York by CBS.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On Feb. 9, 1943, the World War II battle of Guadalcanal in the southwest Pacific ended with an Allied victory over Japanese forces.

TEN YEARS AGO

President George W. Bush defended U.S. surveillance efforts, saying spy work helped thwart terrorist plots, to include two bombs to hijack an airliner and crash it into the tallest skyscraper on the West Coast. Kidnapped American journalist Jill Carroll appeared in a video aired on a private Korean TV station, appealing for her support to do whatever it took to win her release “as quick as possible.” (She was freed on March 30, 2006.)

FIVE YEARS AGO

Lindsay Lohan pleaded not guilty in Los Angeles to felony grand theft of a $2,500 necklace. (Lohan pleaded no contest to taking the necklace without permission and served 33 days of house arrest.)

ONE YEAR AGO

President Barack Obama and German Chancellor Angela Merkel, meeting at the White House, rallied behind efforts to reach a long, short-term diplomatic resolution in Ukraine. More than 2 feet of snow piled up in parts of New England, breaking records set during the Blizzard of 1977.

Briefly

UNE vice president of research participates in opioid crisis panel

On Thursday, Edward Biddle, Ph.D., vice-president for research and scholar- ship at the Biddeford-based University of New England, participated in a panel discussion in Washington, D.C. on the opioid crisis in America. The event was organized by the FBI and the Drug Enforcement Agency, and included directors James Comvey and Chuck Rosenberg. The directors rolled out a new education and prevention program that includes “Chasing the Dragon,” a documentary that highlights the impact of opioid abuse and addiction on individuals, families and communities. The documentary and associated guidebook are expected to be a helpful tool for engaging young adults in a conversation around the dangers of prescription opioids and heroin.

Biddle was invited to participate in the event following his attendance of a recent Senate Judicial Committee hearing focused on the current heroin and prescription drug crisis in the United States. He has been a leader in the pursuit of a multi-pronged approach to combating addiction. In addition to his role in addiction outreach efforts in Maine communities, Biddle is among a team of scientists recently awarded a $45.5 million, five-year grant from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIDA, of the National Institutes of Health, NIDA, to develop new drugs for the treatment of chronic pain with fewer adverse effects than current opioid pain-relief medications. The UNE team of scientists and educators also delivers one of the most comprehensive medical and health professional courses with respect to pain and substance misuse topics. Their education efforts extend to an award-winning K-12 outreach program on brain awareness and safety that includes curriculum on substance misuse topics.

Biddle commented on the past week events saying, “It has been an honor to observe and engage in discussions with many different groups in the federal government, including sen- ator leadership from Maine and New Hampshire, educators also delivers one of the most comprehensive medical and health professional courses with respect to pain and substance misuse topics. Their education efforts extend to an award-winning K-12 outreach program on brain awareness and safety that includes curriculum on substance misuse topics.

MIND MIDDLEborOUgh (mmb) — On Thursday, Feb. 9, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., the center for addiction recovery will host an event called “Chasing the Dragon” documentary, sitting next to two moth- ers who had lost young daughters to opioid overdoses. Their courage and conviction to come forward and share their stories with the public is inspiring, and is a moving tribute to their children. I sense a new trend in approach to education, prevention and treatment of opioid misuse, one that includes a more strategic focus on the development of a holistic plan and better communication and coordination of training and education.”

Senator Angus King, I-Maine, who is a co-sponsor of new legislation to increase funding to address the opioid crisis, said, that “Maine communities have been hit hard by the devastating effects of opioid misuse, and thank- fully, dedicated people in Maine are fighting on all fronts to prevent and treat medical care to curb this compli- cated problem. Dr. Biddle and his team at the University of New England are conducting critical neurological research that could help turn the tide against this wave of addiction, and by collaborating with the FBI and DEA to help teach young people about the dangers of opioids, they continue to dem- onstrate that Maine is at the forefront of this all-important fight for the health and safety of our people.”

Lotteries

MASSACHUSETTS

Numbers – 1-5-8-4-6 (day)/2-6-9-8 (evening)
Lucky for life – 15-18-30-31-43-47, lucky ball: 16

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Pick 1 – 3-6-2 (day)/1-7 (evening)
Pick 2 – 3-6-2-7-8 (day)/2-6-9-8 (evening)

Community Calendar

February 11, Thursday

Craft Night: Love Me, Love Me Not will be held Thursday from 6-8 p.m at River Tree Arts, 35 Western Ave, Kennebunk.

Make it an art-filled night out while exploring the dynamic world of mixed media. Oil pastels and hand-dyed paper art will be the main ingredients in this fun and stress-free workshop.

Laura Savard, who will teach the workshop, uses a diverse and multi-talented teaching style in her workshops using many mediums. With Valentine’s Day right around the cor- ner, participants will be encouraged to play with their tech- niques and dare to explore new ways to create art for their loved ones.

For more information, call 967-9120 or visit www.rivertrearts.org

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