

The following is a summary of Issues/Programs as presented on WTHT, Auburn, ME.

The following topics/issues were addressed via the weekly “Community Connections” program in the second quarter of 2019.

“Community Connections” is a weekly, 30 minute community affairs program spotlighting organizations and individuals in Maine who address issues affecting citizens, work to improve the quality of life in Maine, and deal with human interest topics across many disciplines. Here is a rundown of the program contents for Q2:

Show: Community Connections Airdate 4/7/2019 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Paula Jackson-Jones and Angele Rice, co-founders, Midcoast Lyme Disease Support and Education

Topics/Issues: With the onset of spring and people spending more time outdoors, we discuss preventative measures to avoid ticks that carry Lyme Disease and other tick-borne illnesses. MLDSE offers important resources in education as well as resources to support and consult individuals who are dealing with tick-borne illnesses. We also discuss the upcoming conference sponsored by MLDSE on April 26th at the Augusta Civic Center.

Show: Community Connections Airdate 4/14/2019 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Kelley Kash, CEO, Maine’s Veterans Homes
Devin Robinson, Marketing/PR, Maine’s Veterans Homes (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: Maine’s Veterans Homes offer residences, skilled care and therapy for eligible veterans across the state of Maine in six different locations. We discuss the new advances in caring for veterans. This includes a new residential approach at the Augusta flagship location, where work has just begun, to create a village-style residential approach.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate: 4/21/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Paula Jackson-Jones and Angele Rice, co-founders, Midcoast Lyme Disease Support and Education (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: With the onset of spring and people spending more time outdoors, we discuss preventative measures to avoid ticks that carry Lyme Disease and other tick-borne illnesses. MLDSE offers important resources in education as well as resources to support and consult individuals who are dealing with tick-borne illnesses. We also discuss the upcoming conference sponsored by MLDSE on April 26th at the Augusta Civic Center.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 4/28/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Tom Judge, Executive Director, Life Flight of Maine (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: We discuss the work of Life Flight of Maine, which transports patients from remote scenes to the care they need, and often from rural hospitals to high-level trauma centers. Life Flight of Maine works carefully with local authorities to ensure landing spaces and best procedural practices in a state with vast stretches of rural area.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 5/5/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Kelley Kash, CEO, Maine's Veterans Homes
Devin Robinson, Marketing/PR, Maine's Veterans Homes (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: Maine's Veterans Homes offer residences, skilled care and therapy for eligible veterans across the state of Maine in six different locations. We discuss the new advances in caring for veterans. This includes a new residential approach at the Augusta flagship location, where work has just begun, to create a village-style residential approach.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate: 5/12/2019 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Tom Judge, Executive Director, Life Flight of Maine (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: We discuss the work of Life Flight of Maine, which transports patients from remote scenes to the care they need, and often from rural hospitals to high-level trauma centers. Life Flight of Maine works carefully with local authorities to ensure landing spaces and best procedural practices in a state with vast stretches of rural area.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 5/19/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Kelley Kash, CEO, Maine's Veterans Homes
Devin Robinson, Marketing/PR, Maine's Veterans Homes (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: Maine's Veterans Homes offer residences, skilled care and therapy for eligible veterans across the state of Maine in six different locations. We discuss the new advances in caring for veterans. This includes a new residential approach at the Augusta flagship location, where work has just begun, to create a village-style residential approach.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 5/26/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Celine Kuhn, Exec Director
Patti Howells, Board Member
Wilson Haims, student author, The Telling Room

Topics/Issues: The Telling Room is a Portland-based extracurricular writing program that develops young writers of school age in Maine, and allows avenues for professional and peer workshopping of writing of all sorts. We discuss the various programs, as well as the opportunity for students to be published. We also discuss Telling Room's programs for immigrant and refugee students and the importance of giving this population a voice through writing and storytelling.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate: 6/2/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Roger Doiron, Founding Director, Seed Money

Topics/Issues: Seed Money is a Scarborough-based non-profit that provides grants to start up community gardens of all sorts in Maine, the United States and worldwide. Seed Money also promotes the act of gardening for its health, economic and environmental benefits. We discuss Seed Money's campaign to re-establish a garden on the grounds of The White House during the Obama administration, as well as their "Carrot-oke" viral fundraising campaign.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 6/9/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Delilah Poupoure, Executive Director, Heart of Biddeford

Topics/Issues: We discuss the many changes over the past decade-plus in Downtown Biddeford, Maine, from the repurposing of old mill buildings to new businesses and cultural offerings as Heart of Biddeford has worked to redefine the city's downtown. We discuss Biddeford's status as an alternative to larger cities like Portland in terms of housing and tourism, as well as the positive effects and challenges this growth brings.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 6/16/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Roger Doiron, Founding Director, Seed Money (*encore presenation*)

Topics/Issues: Seed Money is a Scarborough-based non-profit that provides grants to start up community gardens of all sorts in Maine, the United States and worldwide. Seed Money also promotes the act of gardening for its health, economic and environmental benefits. We discuss Seed Money's campaign to re-establish a garden on the grounds of The White House during the Obama administration, as well as their "Carrot-oke" viral fundraising campaign.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate: 6/23/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Delilah Poupoure, Executive Director, Heart of Biddeford (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: We discuss the many changes over the past decade-plus in Downtown Biddeford, Maine, from the repurposing of old mill buildings to new businesses and cultural offerings as Heart of Biddeford has worked to redefine the city's downtown. We discuss Biddeford's status as an alternative to larger cities like Portland in terms of housing and tourism, as well as the positive effects and challenges this growth brings.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 6/29/2019

Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Ruth Libby, founder/CEO, Ruth's Reusable Resources
Chris Slader, Computer Re-life Program Manager, RRR

Topics/Issues: Ruth's Reusable Resources has been repurposing and recycling office supplies for school use for over a quarter century. Based in Portland, RRR takes donations from companies large and small from binders and paper to important technology equipment. Schools buy memberships for educators to shop for essentials at significant savings.

Respectfully submitted,

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