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## MUNICIPAL MEETINGS

FOR HOLIDAY CHANGES AND ADDITIONAL MEETINGS, PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR ON [WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM)

- CITY COUNCIL  
1ST & 3RD WEDNESDAYS, 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
- PLANNING BOARD  
1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS, 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
- COMMUNITY FORESTRY  
2ND WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 PM  
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
2ND THURSDAYS, 4:00 PM  
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
- ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
1ST MONDAYS AS NEEDED, 7:00 PM  
BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM

## Fenway color guard



*The Bath Fire Department Color Guard presented the colors at Maine Day at Fenway Park on April 28, prior to the Boston Red Sox game with the Houston Astros.*

## Do you like the City of Bath?

Attention social media users! The City of Bath is now on Facebook and Twitter.

The purpose of the City's use of social media is to provide residents, businesses and visitors with an online customer service resource and source of community news and government information.

To find the City of Bath on Facebook, visit [www.facebook.com/bathmaine](http://www.facebook.com/bathmaine).

The City of Bath's handle on Twitter is @bathmaine.

Links to Facebook and Twitter accounts can also be found on the City's website, [cityofbath.com](http://cityofbath.com)



## COMMONLY CALLED NUMBERS

ANIMAL CONTROL .....	443-5563
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE .....	443-8336
BATH AREA FAMILY YMCA. .	443-4112
BATH COMMUNITY TV.....	443-8387
BATH WATER DISTRICT .....	443-2391
CEMETERIES .....	443-8345
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ..	725-8797
CITY CLERK .....	443-8332
CITY MANAGER .....	443-8330
CITY PLANNER .....	443-8363
CODES OFFICER .....	443-8334
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	443-8372
FINANCE .....	443-8338
FIRE DEPT.....	443-5034
GENERAL ASSISTANCE .....	443-8335
LANDFILL.....	443-8356
MAIN STREET BATH.....	442-7291
MAINTENANCE .....	443-8365
PARKS AND RECREATION ..	443-8360
PATTEN FREE LIBRARY .....	443-5141
POLICE .....	443-5563
PUBLIC WORKS.....	443-8357
SAGadahoc CNTY COURT	443-8200
TREASURER .....	443-8340
U.S. POST OFFICE.....	443-9778
W. BATH DISTRICT COURT.	442-0200

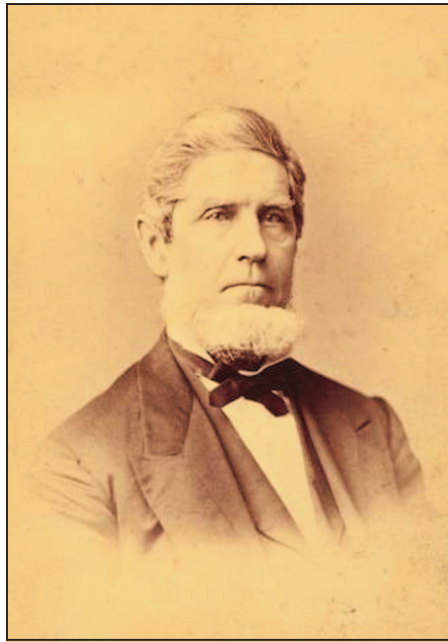
**INFORMATION ABOUT MUNICIPAL HAPPENINGS ARE PUBLISHED IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AND ADVERTISED ON BATH COMMUNITY TELEVISION. YOU CAN ALSO FIND INFORMATION ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE ([WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM)).**

ALL CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING BOARD MEETINGS ARE ONLINE. MEETINGS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO WATCH LIVE AND WILL BE ARCHIVED FOR A YEAR. THESE MEETINGS CAN BE VIEWED BY VISITING THE CITY COUNCIL PAGE OF THE CITY OF BATH WEBSITE AND CLICKING ON MEETINGS ONLINE: LIVE/ON-DEMAND OR BY GOING DIRECTLY TO [TOWN-HALLSTREAMS.COM](http://TOWN-HALLSTREAMS.COM) AND SELECT "BATH" FROM THE LIST OF TOWNS.

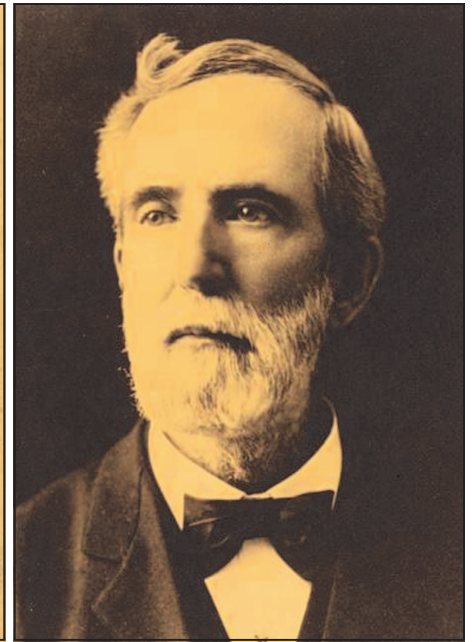


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Charles Davenport



George Davenport

## Davenport Trust Fund continues to support Bath youth, groups

As a tribute to his father, Charles Davenport, George Patten Davenport gifted the land at 55 Front Street to the City for Davenport Memorial City Hall, erected in 1928.

As an honor to his family name, George Patten Davenport created the Davenport Trust Fund with the intention, in his own words, *"First, for the benefit of young and needy children, especially those of Bath, Maine. Second, for religious, temperance, moral, education, benevolent and charitable institutions and organizations especially those in Bath, Maine, which have for their object the good of the world, and the bettering of the condition of the human race."*

The Davenport Trust Fund remains a fixture on the third floor of Davenport City Hall and the tradition of giving continues.

The Davenport Trust Fund originated from an initial \$1,800,000 gift. To date,

### ATTENTION RECENT GRADS, PARENTS

THE DAVENPORT TRUST FUND EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR 2013-2014 IS JULY 9 AT 3:30 P.M.

IN 2012, 106 INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS RECEIVED SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS, TOTALING \$92,750, FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE DAVENPORT TRUST FUND OFFICE. APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE ALL PAGES OF STUDENT AID REPORT, INCLUDING EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION, AND A COPY OF THE FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE FROM THE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.

\$13,355,421 has been bequeathed to organizations and academic scholarships.

The Davenport Trust Fund's single greatest charitable contribution is a perpetual sponsorship for area families to attend Camp Sunshine, located in Casco, a retreat for children with life-threatening illnesses





## Beautifying Bath

*The second annual Keep Bath Beautiful Clean Up Day was hosted by the City Council in April with more than 75 residents joining City Councilors to collect litter on streets and roads. Volunteers, including some from Quansigamog, Morse High School Interact Club, Brownie Troop 1780 and the Main Street Design Committee, collected exactly 1,000 pounds of garbage.*



## Davenport Trust Fund *(continued from page 2)*

and their families.

Among the other highlights from the Davenport Trust Fund's charity in 2012:

- ♦ Maine State Music Theatre outreach, which benefited 570 individuals from pre-K to senior citizens
- ♦ Summer camp experience, allowing 149 youth to attend a day program or overnight camp
- ♦ Twenty-one scholarships to lo-

cal non-profits for volunteer administrators to attend a day-long conference.

There have only been 16 trustees since the inception of the Trust. The current trustees are Barry M. Sturgeon, Roberta F. Banks and Eric R. Allen.

The Davenport Trust Fund's office is located on the third floor of City Hall and is generally open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, save for holidays.

For more information on the Davenport Trust Fund, call 443-3431 or send an e-mail to [davenporttrust@myfairpoint.net](mailto:davenporttrust@myfairpoint.net).





## Department Spotlight: Bath City Clerk's Office

### It's all on the record

The responsibilities of the Bath City Clerk's Office may remind one of a newspaper advertisement for a yard sale: "There's something for everyone!"

The litany of duties bestowed upon City Clerk Mary White along with Deputy Clerk Pam Gray and Assistant Clerk Beth Haskell include election administration, maintaining vital statistics and issuing hunting, fishing and dog licenses.

Per the City Charter, the City Clerk's Office is also responsible for additional duties, including maintaining a complete and accurate record of City Council proceedings, preserving official City records, providing administrative support to the City Council, preparing the City Code of Ordinances for codification, coordinating the records center and administering the City's business licensing program.

These services and functions lead to frequent foot traffic to the City Clerk's Office's first



*The City Clerk's Office is responsible for recording and maintaining all vital statistics records for the City, including births, marriages and deaths.*

floor digs.

"The best part about working in the City Clerk's Office is being the able to meet and help the people that come in or call on the phone," said White, who has been in the City Clerk's Office since 1995, serving as City Clerk since 1999. "You get to meet so many wonderful people and have the chance to make lifetime friends here. Every day brings

different challenges and opportunities to learn and do new things."

Another draw to the City Clerk's Office is its seasonal décor.

"My husband and I started decorating the Office when I became City Clerk," said White. "In the beginning, it was only for a few special holidays. As time went on, it developed into a monthly theme. Now young and old from the area make visits monthly to see the decorations."

Election administration is handled by the City Clerk's Office. On Election Day (and for any other vote), the City Clerk's Office, fortified by election workers, staffs

Bath Middle School from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"The laws change almost weekly. It is very challenging to make sure the office staff and election workers are up to date with the information so that the public is served by well-qualified people during the election process," said White. "Another challenge that is becoming more and more difficult is finding people able to work on Election Day. With daily lives being so busy, it is hard for people to be able to commit to this task."

Anyone interested in working at the polls on election day, please call 443-8332 for more information.

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**Mary White**  
Bath City Clerk

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## Main Street Bath

# 41st Heritage Days: 'By the High Seas or High Ways'

Main Street Bath presents the 41<sup>st</sup> annual celebration of Bath Heritage Days over Independence Day weekend.

The four-day festival (July 4-7) celebrates our long history, past and present, as an international ship building port. Events include a Firemen's Muster, Art in the Park, a big Made-in-Maine Craft Show, a Five-Mile Road Race, Chili-Chowder Fest, Kids' Day arts and crafts, an Antique Car Show, a Strongman Competition, Smokey's Greatest Show Carnival, the Kennebec River Boat Parade, and Maine's largest Independence Day parade with over 100 entries.

The parade theme invites all to join us in Bath "by the High Seas or High Ways... you *can* get here from there". This year's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade begins at 11:30 a.m., and in keeping with our theme will be led by a delegation from Bath's sister-city of Tsugaru City, Japan, as Grand Marshals.

The Kennebec River Boat Parade will be held at 4 p.m. during the afternoon of Sunday, July 7, before the fireworks. All vessels including commercial, fishing, pleasure, and personal watercraft are welcome to enter. There is no fee to register, simply dress yourself and your vessel patriotically, and help us celebrate Maine's Maritime Heri-



*Maine's largest Independence Day parade is one of the many events at the 41st annual celebration of Bath Heritage Days over Independence Day weekend.*

### PREPARADE ENTERTAINMENT

#### THURSDAY, JULY 4

10:30-11:30AM

JOHN ATER - CITY HALL

10:30-11:30AM

SCOTT DAVIS QUARTET, CITY HALL

MARRIED WITH CHITLIN'S, MAE'S CAFE

SHARON PYNE/DOUG PROTSIK, ST. MARY'S

LAUREN CROSBY, BRACKETT'S MARKET

11:30AM

NATIONAL ANTHEM, LESLEY DOLINGER, CITY HALL

#### WATERFRONT PARK

#### THURSDAY JULY 4

3:00 MAX ATER

4:00 ROBERT WASHINGTON

6:30 KEVIN GILMORE BAND

9:00 EARL BIGELOW BLUES BUZZARDS

#### FRIDAY JULY 5

5:15 DENNIS DORION

7:00 ROCKY & THE PRESSERS

9:00 THE KENYA HALL BAND

#### SATURDAY JULY 6

2:30 BROWN DOG STUDIOS

5:00 WORK TRUCKS

7:00 TOUGHCATS

9:00 JOEL CARPENTER & THE EFFECTS

#### SUNDAY JULY 7

12:00 AARON NADEAU

1:00 LAUREN CROSBY

2:30 MUSIC WITH A MESSAGE

5:00 ROBBY SIMPSON

6:00 THE ARROWSICS

8:00 PAT COLWELL &

THE SOUL SENSATIONS

#### LIBRARY PARK

#### SATURDAY JULY 6

11:00 THE PINECASTERS

12:25 THE SALTWATER HILLBILLY

1:00 JIMMY JUNKINS & THE SOUL CATS

3:00 BONNIE EDWARDS & THE PRACTICAL CATS

#### SUNDAY JULY 7

11:00 MATT NEWBERG

12:30 MARTIN GIBSON

1:30 JIMMY JOE & THE JUMBOL'AYUHS

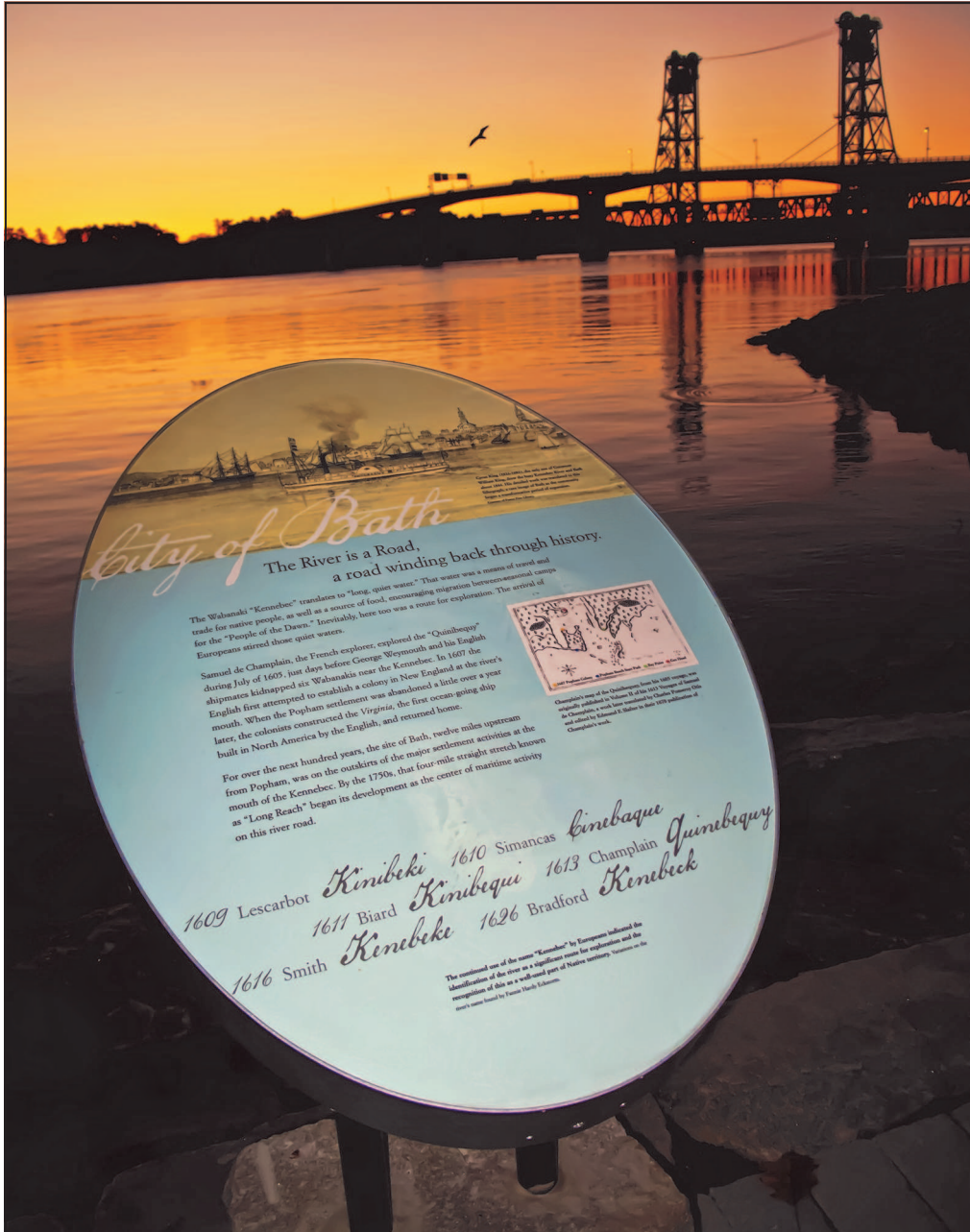
2:45 ERICA BROWN & THE BLUE GRASS CONNECTION

tage in the City of Ships!

For a full schedule of music and events, or de-

tails on how to register for the boat parade, visit the [bathheritagedays.com](http://bathheritagedays.com)

website, or call the Main Street Bath office at 442-7291.



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## Historic markers line Waterfront Park

Six historic markers were installed in Waterfront Park in 2012 and interactive components are expected to be in place this summer.

Aspects of the Kennebec River are highlighted in these six markers:

geological, natural history, exploration, growth, shipyards and wildlife.

Production is scheduled to begin on the next round of historic markers later this year. The markers will likely profile locations on Front Street.

## Summertime tunes jazz up the City

Music lovers can find plenty of outdoor concerts to enjoy during the summer in Bath.

The 41st annual celebration of Bath Heritage Days features more than 20 performers in Waterfront and City parks, featuring the best of new and established Maine performers, and a big pre-fireworks show.

For a full schedule of Bath Heritage Days performers, check out Main Street Bath section of the City of Ships newsletter (page 5) or visit [bathheritagedays.com](http://bathheritagedays.com).

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Main Street Bath also presents the Summer Outdoor Concerts Gazebo Series at City Park on Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 p.m.

Bath Municipal Swing Band occupy the Gazebo on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. from June 25 to Aug. 27, while a schedule for Fridays' performers can be found at [visitbath.com](http://visitbath.com).

Summer Saturdays at Six will be held in Waterfront Park on Saturdays at 6 p.m. in July and August.

This evening concert series is a free family-friendly event for locals and visitors to enjoy live music, dancing, warm evenings and the recently updated Waterfront Park.

[WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM](http://WWW.CITYOFBATH.COM)





## Savary promoted



*Robert Savary was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in April. A veteran of the Bath Police Department since 1992, Savary served as a detective sergeant for the last seven years. Savary replaces Stan Cielinski, who retired earlier in 2013.*

**BATH TROLLEY JUST \$1  
JUNE THROUGH COLUMBUS DAY**



## Arbor Day Foundation declares Tree City USA

The City of Bath was recognized as a Tree City USA for the 13th straight year by the Arbor Day Foundation.

City Arborist Tom Hoerth received the award during Maine's Arbor Day celebration in May in Auburn.

Communities achieve Tree City USA status by meeting four core standards of sound urban forestry management: maintaining a tree board or department, having a community tree ordinance, spending at least \$2 per capita on urban forestry and celebrating Arbor Day.



**TREE CITY USA®**  
Arbor Day Foundation

Bath has been honored with Tree City USA recognition 16 times.

Also in May, the Bath Community Forestry Committee recognized Lee and Mary Derosa (residential) and Sedgwick Professional Building (business) with Bath Community Forestry Committee Landscape Awards.

# Sparky's®

## Safety Spot™

**Hey, take a break!**

Before refueling the lawn mower, let the mower cool down completely. Then carefully refuel.



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# WORK

## Wing Farm Business Park

Six lots (seven development sites) in Phase II of the Wing Farm Business Park are available, located off Congress Avenue in Bath and less than a mile north of Route 1.

[wingfarmbusinesspark.com](http://wingfarmbusinesspark.com)