

Gleanings

10 years ago

From the Journal Tribune: “Despite low voter turnout, Joanna Moran won the Town Clerk position in Kennebunk by a landslide on Tuesday. Out of 106 votes cast, she earned 103. While Moran’s was the only name on the ballot, a few votes sent to interim Town Clerk Betty Emmons. It was a bittersweet victory for Moran. The reason the seat is vacant is because of the death of her mother, Ethelyn Marthia, in Dec. 2006. Marthia held the job for more than 20 years.”

50 years ago

From the Biddeford-Saco Journal: “A site on Drake’s Island at the mouth of the Webhannet River has been proposed for a new state park, it was announced today. State Park and Recreation Director Lawrence Stuart said the Legislature in 1965 authorized \$125,000 to acquire land in Wells for the coastal project. The appropriation can be matched with federal funds.”

100 years ago

From the Biddeford Daily Journal: “Lovers of the game of basketball as it is played these days will want to be at the George A. Emery gymnasium, Saco, Friday night when Thorton stacks against the fast South Portland high team. The game will be called at 8 o’clock and the management announces that there will be plenty doing from the sound of the whistle. ”

— *Ryder Schumacher*

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 1, the 32nd day of 2017. There are 333 days left in the year.

ON THIS DATE:

In 1865, during the Civil War, Union forces led by Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman began the Carolinas Campaign as they invaded South Carolina. Abolitionist John S. Rock became the first black lawyer admitted to the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1943, one of America’s most highly decorated military units, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, made up almost exclusively of Japanese-Americans, was authorized.

In 1959, men in Switzerland rejected giving women the right to vote by a more than 2-1 referendum margin. (Swiss women gained the right to vote in 1971.)

In 1960, four black college students began a sit-in protest at a Woolworth’s lunch counter in Greensboro, North Carolina, where they’d been refused service.

In 1982, “Late Night with David Letterman” premiered on NBC.

In 2003, the space shuttle Columbia broke up during re-entry, killing all seven of its crew members.

terial species, was used as “paint.”

Among the bacteria used were *Acinetobacter baumannii* (an important cause of hospital-acquired infections), which produces a beige color when grown on this agar, *Escherichia coli* (a very common cause of urinary tract infections), which produces a pink color, and *Klebsiella pneumoniae* (an increasingly serious threat to public health because of the emergence of antimicrobial resistance), which produces a metallic blue color.

The students completed the work in phases, first developing ideas for their artwork. Some drew templates on paper for tracing, while others painted directly on the agar. When it came time to paint, the students used fine brushes and solutions of each bacterium to create their designs on each agar plate. They examined their plates the next day, finding that the bacteria had

grown into the images they had painted.

Finished designs included a lighthouse, flowers, butterflies and a beach scene.

“The class enabled students to not only broaden their knowledge of infectious diseases and microbiology, but to work creatively in the process,” Allen said.

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with two distinctive coastal Maine campuses, a vibrant new campus in Tangier, Morocco, and a robust offering of degree and certificate programs online.

UNE is home to Maine’s only medical and dental schools—part of a comprehensive health education mission built on a pioneering interprofessional approach that includes pharmacy, nursing and an array of allied health professions.

Today’s Highlight in History:

On Feb. 1, 1942, during World War II, the Voice of America broadcast its first program to Europe, relaying it through the facilities of the British Broadcasting Corp. in London.

— *By The Associated Press*

Quote of the day:

“Happiness is a by-product. You cannot pursue it by itself.

— A. C. S. (1911-1980)

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