



CELEBRATE AUBURN'S NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESSES DAY

“Salute to Dinny Sullivan- Hats Off to Neighborhood Businesses Day” is Saturday, March 15, 2014. This is the third year Auburn celebrates the wonderful local businesses that provide so much to the quality of life in Auburn.

The day is full of activities and fun as we say “thank you” to the local businesses who add so much to the fabric of our community. The planning committee is pleased to announce a couple of new programs this year. For a full schedule, check the website www.dinnysullivan.com for updates. Residents are encouraged to submit the name and contact information of a favorite Auburn business that we should say “thank you” to for their service and support of our community.

Special events of the day include:

Coffee with Public Services: Come enjoy coffee and donuts with staff members from Auburn's Public Services Department. Staff will be in attendance to provide an overview of the many services and programs offered by the 3 Public Services Divisions: Public Works, Engineering, and Recreation. Denis D'Auteuil, Dan Goyette, and Ravi Sharma will be available to answer questions and provide the latest news on Auburn Public Services. Coffee will be at the Auburn Public Library 9:00am to 10:30am. What a great opportunity to chat with City staff that provides necessary services.



Meditation: A Virtuous Practice. Adam Hill will present the benefits and techniques used in meditative practices throughout history from across the world. Lessons from many different sources will be mentioned to provide a broader understanding of five essential questions: What does meditation mean? What is meditation? Who can meditate? Why should we meditate? How do we meditate? Mr. Hill trained under Doctor of Hypnotherapy Ronald DeVasto. His training with the Ando-Amazonian healing tradition and his experience with his own private practice in meditation will be shared to answer these questions! Mr. Hill studied at Everglades University in the Alternative medicine program. Donations will be accepted for Paititi Institute, a non-profit institute that is currently on a mission to preserve more than 2,000 acres of Amazon rain forest. This program will be held at the Auburn Public Library from 10:45am-12:15pm.

“Crime and Punishment in L-A, 100 Years Ago” -A murder investigation and trial nearly 100 years ago show how the police, the justice system, and the public dealt with one woman's sensational murder trial. The Superior Court judge handled a slew of other crimes too. Annette Vance Dorey, the author of “Maine Mothers Who Murdered: Doing Time in State Prison, 1875–1925,” will discuss the roles of several legal officials in Lewiston–Auburn. She will tell about the early county jail and the early state prison. Ms. Dorey's presentation will be from 1:30pm -2:30pm at the Auburn Public Library. This is a free program, refreshments will be served.



Annette Vance Dorey is a life-long learner and educator. She is a former education professor at University of New Brunswick, Fredericton. She is devoted to historical research and writing and enjoys presenting programs. In addition to extensive research about Maine's female physicians, other books by Dorey reveal the national campaign to improve child health 1900–1920s and also a detailed look at women in Maine's early criminal justice system and the State Prison 1875-1925.



Celtic Harp Echoes Ensemble will perform at the Woman's Literary Union Open House from 2pm-4pm at the Foss Mansion, 39 Elm Street. The group includes Patti Tillotson, Betsy Kopyc and Melanie Lee on harps, Jonathan Whitmore on recorder and hammer dulcimer, and Woody Trask on guitar, bodhran and autoharp. Harp music is captivating. Relax and enjoy the bewitching sound of Celtic music in the beautiful setting of this Auburn historic home. Strings and air resonate- sure to enchant visitors. Elegant melodies provide a graceful backdrop for tea and conversation.

Community Concert. Pianist Phil House and vocalist Kathy Haley will perform at 5 pm in the Foss Mansion, the headquarters for the Woman's Literary Union, on Elm Street. House and Haley will play a wonderful mixture of sweet melodies that will amuse and entertain. There will surely be some Irish tunes of celebration. House, a virtuoso pianist, is organist at the First Universalist Church in Auburn, and has been doing concerts and playing at weddings at the All Souls Chapel in Poland Spring for 25 years. He has recorded several albums and CDs and has starred in concerts from Auburn to Nashville, Tenn., to Vienna, Austria. He will be joined by one of the area's best-known vocalists, Kathy Haley. Haley was formerly one of the lead singers with "Good and Plenty" and is the organist/choir director at the Court Street Baptist Church of Auburn.



 **Cookies and Cans.** Local Girl Scout Daisy troop 1524 will have a Cookies and Cans booth from 11:30am to 1:30pm. These young ladies will be collecting non-perishables for the food pantry while selling delicious Girl Scout Cookies... as part of their Girl Scout week activities. Brownie troop 2012 will be working on the same project from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. We hope the community will come out and support with donations to the food pantry. Reward yourself by purchasing a box of your favorite cookies.

Salute to Dinny Sullivan –Hats Off to Neighborhood Businesses Day has three purposes:

(1) Recognize local businesses and say "thank you". Our community local companies are strong threads in our fabric of life. More than just providing a product or service, these businesses support, with time and financial support, many of our local non-profit activities. We celebrate these local companies/individuals by posting a sign in their window, post the company information on a window display on Court Street, and include contact information on the Dinny Sullivan Day website. Residents and community members are encouraged to submit favorite neighborhood business names to include in our "thank you" plans.

(2) Provide an opportunity for non-profits to have an event in Auburn that we can promote and encourage residents and friends to help. If non-profit organization would like us to promote the fund-raiser, service project, or activity that is happening on Saturday, March 15th please contact us. Our non-profits do a great deal of good works in our community. We'd like to provide some promotion and encourage residents to come out and support the group... or get to know the members. We have at least two locations available to us if a group would like to host an activity.

(3) Encourage all to come and enjoy the day in Auburn. It will have many events. Of course there will be a corned beef dinner with special desserts. Lots more to come, just confirming events now. Family and friends in the area are invited to come and Experience Auburn. Interested groups or organizations that might want to set up a project/program/display at this event, should contact Tizz Crowley directly tcrowley@auburnmaine.gov or call Leroy Walker 577-2694.

COME- EXPERIENCE AUBURN- Enjoy a day around our City and say "thank you" to the neighborhood business owner.