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Celebrating the Recipients of Maine Seacoast Mission's 2023 *Sunbeam* Award

Join Maine for the 2023 *Sunbeam* Award Gala to honor two awardees for their unwavering commitment to provide exceptional care to island residents. The even, on Thursday, August 17 at the Bar Harbor Club, will honor Mission's former Director of Island Health, Sharon Daley, RN, and the Mission's Healthcare Partners: the Maine Center for Disease Control (CDC); Mount Desert Island Hospital; Dan Johnson, Ph.D., LCPC, CCS; Brien Davis, APRN-FNP; Scott Schiff-Slater, MD; and Anand Viswanathan, MD, PhD.

When Daley was hired in 2001, she began the telehealth program on the Sunbeam, which connected island residents to mainland providers. During that time, she developed...

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EdGE summer campers explore together

EdGE summer campers experienced a return to normal this year with a range of adventures. From kayaking and garden visits to team sports like volleyball and basketball, campers enjoyed over 700 hours of programming this June and July.

Each week, children visited Incredible Edible, a series of gardens in Milbridge, an initiative from partner nonprofit Women for Rural Healthy Living. They also visited Folklore Farm where they explored the inner workings of a working farm in their own backyard. Digging in the ground and learning more about plants prompts campers to think about food, how it's grown, and the function of outdoor spaces. During another outing at the Monteux Music Festival, classical songs flooded campers' ears, exposing them to not only...



Play tennis and support EdGE students

Join the Mission for a fun and competitive day of tennis on Saturday, September 9 at the Northeast Harbor Tennis Club. The EdGE Open Tennis Tournament supports the Mission's signature education program in seven Washington County. In its 19th year, the tournament will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and features men's and women's doubles playing at advanced and intermediate levels.

"I've been fortunate to be part of this Tournament as both a player and volunteer director for more than a decade," says Jaime Weir, general manager of John Williams Boat Company and Mission board member.

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Register to Play



2023 Davis Maine Scholars select colleges

The Mission's 2023 Davis Maine Scholars have selected their colleges. Through the generosity of Andrew Davis and the Shelby Cullom Davis Charitable Fund, these six students from Washington County and eastern Hancock County have earned full, four-year scholarships and will pursue undergraduate studies at one of three partner colleges: Clark University (MA), University of New England (ME), and Wheaton College (MA).

The Davis Maine Scholarship was created to ensure more first-generation students from rural Washington County and eastern Hancock County pursue and complete undergraduate degrees. This is the second annual cohort of Davis Maine Scholars since the Scholarship's inception.

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Great Harbor Maritime Museum exhibits "Beacons of Hope: Boats & History of the Maine Seacoast Mission"

"Beacons of Hope" provides highlights of the Mission, from our founding in 1905 to present day. The exhibition at the Great Harbor Maritime Museum in Northeast Harbor is the featured exhibit for this summer season.

The Museum and the Mission will host an opening reception on Thursday, August 10 from 5 to 7 p.m. Visitors can also see the exhibit during the Museum's normal operating hours, which are Monday through Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Beacons of Hope" traces the Mission's history by featuring information and artifacts documenting the seven Mission boats, from sail to diesel, and healthcare services and outreach to islands, lighthouses, and coastal communities...

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