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PRINT PUBLICATIONS:

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"Lighthouse Families" by Bruce Roberts

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The Maine Atlas & Gazetteer

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INTERNET RESOURCES:

Abbey Caskets (Linda Sullivan)

Acadia Magic (Acadia National Park, Maine)

Atlantic City Weddings (*Liam & Petra*)

Aurora Inn, Bar Harbor (Megan's Legacy)

Ballymaloe Cookery School (*Derek Larkin*)

Bar Harbor Acadia

Bar Harbor Info

Bartlett Winery (Wee Book Shop reception)

Belle Isle Motel, Bar Harbor (Megan's Legacy)

Benedictine Center for Spirituality (*Désirée Sansovino*)

Billiard Terms (*Glossary*)

Billiards Dictionary (Bridget Gallagher)

Boston Harbor Hotel (*Megan's Legacy*)

Calendar Years (*US*)

Canadian Casinos & Gambling (*Megan's Legacy*)

Careers in Meteorology (Andy Gilyard)

Castine, Maine (*Opal Swan dress shop, re: Diana Larkin*)

Cheval Mirrors (Mariko Woods)

The China Cupboard (china patterns)

Chock Full o'Nuts (Shannon Larkin)

Clam Bake (*E-How*)

Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism (Diana Larkin)

Cognac (types & prices, E-How)

Cognac World (Banshee Point Winery)

Cooks Thesaurus (types of beans)

Craignair Inn at Spruce Head (*Brose & Bridget's private getaway*)

Culbertson Mansion (guest room inspiration)

Dining Pubs (England)

Dublin Tourist (*shops and pubs*)

Elegant Eating (Gabriel Page's christening)

Encyclopaedia Titanic (*Bridget Gallagher's great-grandparents*)

English-German Dictionary Online (Mason Berger)

English-Italian Dictionary Online (Sansovino family)

English to Japanese Dictionary (*The Twilight*)

Fishermen's Voice (*Fishermen of Maine Magazine*)

Food & Wine Magazine (*Petra Fortescue-Pemberton*)

Food Fare (*Irish Recipes*)

Frado's Lounge (St. Catharines, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Jack Sansovino)

Gael Song (Irish crafts and gifts)

Galt Guides (New York Neighborhood Map)

George Brown College (chefs' program resource)

Hebrew for Christians (Megan's Legacy)

Hollywood Slots at Bangor Raceway (*Jack & Jamie*)

Howe Caverns (in relation to Banshee Point Winery)

Illuminations Lighting Design (Banshee Point Hotel)

Iraq Civilian Jobs (*Derek Larkin*)

Irish Dictionary Online (*general*)

Irrigation Dixieline Sprinklers (*Brose, Hearts Desires*)

Irrigation Tutorial (Sprinkler Pipe Layout)

Italian Tribune (Jack Sansovino)

Japanese East Wind Interior Design (Mariko Woods)

Japanese Life International (*Mariko Woods*)

Japanese (Issendai) Names for Boys (Kevin &Mariko)

Japanese Lifestyle Wedding Ceremony (*Kevin & Mariko*)

Kambriel (*Gothic clothing*)

Lottery Canada (Megan's Legacy)

Magick Moon (Megan's wedding locket design)

Maimonides Medical Center (*Brooklyn*)

Maine Adoption Laws (Alexandra St. John)

Maine Association of Realtors (Megan's Legacy)

Maine Ballooning (*Megan's Legacy*)

Maine State Board of Bar Examiners (*Luke Castaneda*)

Maine State Police Crime Laboratory (Ben Webb)

Maine State Revenue Services (general)

Maine Statutes of Limitations (*Megan's Legacy*)

Maple Grove Cemetery, Kews Gardens, NY (Jack Sansovino)

Mayo Clinic (causes of infertility)

Mazzaro's Italian Market (inspiration for Sansovino market)

Mikasa (dinnerware)

Modern Real Estate Practice Examination Review 2002 (*Kip Bathers*)

Momma Baldacci's (Italian restaurant in Bangor, Maine; Susan & Ben)

Moon Phase Calendar (*Megan's Legacy*)

Morgan Motor Company (*Derek Larkin*)

Nantucket (Food & Wine) Clambake (Larkin Fair Days beach party)

Nottingham Trent University (Finley Cooper)

Old House Vineyards (info about wineries)

Oxford University (Finley Cooper)

Pet Education (common veterinary medications)

Police Department in New York City (*Citi-Dex*)

Pool Ques Plus (Bridget Gallagher)

Promise Rings (*Brose & Bridget*)

Quarantine (IAA) Laws, UK (Megan's Legacy)

Rent-A-Wreck (Maine)

Replacements Limited (*china patterns*)

Reveille Turf-Grass (Animal Life Centre)

St. Joseph's College of Maine (Sara Sullivan)

Sardi's Restaurant NYC (Banshee Point Winery)

Seal Harbor, Maine (*The Twain Shall Meet*)

Slang Terms of the Seventies (*The Twain Shall Meet*)

Stages of breast cancer (Medicine Net, *Susan O'Reilly*)

Stone Quarries & Beyond (Clark Island)

The Villager

Timeline of American Literature, Music & Movies (WSU, general)

Trump Taj Mahal (*Liam & Petra's wedding, Megan's Legacy*)

US Army Bases in Iraq (*Derek Larkin*)

University of Maine at Augusta (*Kyle Adkins*)

Urban Dictionary (various slang)

Vinécole Centre for Wine Education (*The Twilight*)

Visit Maine (*online tourist guide*)

Wild Blueberry Commission of Maine (*general*)

Wine Spectator Magazine (*Petra Fortescue-Pemberton*)

WIKIPEDIA:

Air-conditioning (invention of)

Amidah, Standing Prayer, Shmoneh Esreh (Megan's Legacy)

Barefoot in the Park (reference in Megan's Legacy)

Black Racer snake (Maine)

Bloomsbury, London (Petra Fortescue-Pemberton)

Blueberries (Maine)

Blue Gourami (Megan's Legacy)

Boston Landmarks (Megan's Legacy)

British Slang (*Megan's Legacy*)

Canada-United States border crossings (Jack Sansovino)

Cardinal Directions (maps, description purposes)

Catholic Church hierarchy (*general*)

Châteauesque Architecture (*Larkin mansion*)

Cognac (for Banshee Point Winery)

Cool Water Cologne (*Luke Castaneda*)

Core Body Temperatures (*Megan's Legacy*)

Crocus (purple, Luke Castaneda's conference room)

Diocletianic Persecution (in relation to Feast of San Gennaro)

Eastern Black Oak (*Megan's Legacy*)

Endometriosis (Angie Page)

Espalier (*Larkin estate grounds*)

Feast of San Gennaro (aka Figli di San Gennaro; Little Italy)

Flunitrazepam (aka roofie, date-rape drug)

Fugitive Terminology (Jack Sansovino)

Gabriel (meaning of)

Garden à la Française (*Larkin estate grounds*)

Glioma (*Brian Larkin*)

Governors of Maine

Harness Racing

History of Television (*KXLC in Larkin City*)

Homosexual Terminology (*general*)

Hot Air Ballooning (*Megan's Legacy*)

Jacopo Sansovino (namesake of Jack Sansovino)

Japanese Gardens (Mariko Woods)

Japanese Language (*Sachiko Fujiwara Woods*)

Japanese Literature (*Lee Gunther's wedding present to Kevin & Mariko*)

Jewish surnames (*Larkin City mayor David Azoulay*)

Klinefelter's Syndrome (Tom Cimarelli)

Lac-Mégantic, Quebec, Canada (*Jack Sansovino*)

Lighthouse Facts & Technology (general)

Little Italy, New York (background for Jack Sansovino)

London Boroughs (*Megan's Legacy*)

Maine Attorneys General (Megan's Legacy)

Maine State Police (*general*)

Mammals of New England (general)

Moakley Courthouse, Boston (*Megan's Legacy*)

Montparnasse Cemetery, France (burial place of Jean-Claude Sullivan)

Morgan Four-Seater (*Derek Larkin*)

Mutt and Jeff (*Kevin and Mariko*)

Mỹ Tho, South Vietnam (George Sullivan)

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada (Jack Sansovino)

Prohibition (in the USA, 1919-1933)

Registered partnership in Denmark (*Jamie & Jack*)

Requiem Mass (*Phoebe's graveside service*)

Rope, types of (*Megan's Legacy*)

Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews (Finley Cooper)

St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada (Jack Sansovino)

St. Johnsbury, Vermont (*Brian & Mary Larkin*)

Same-Sex Marriage (*Jamie & Jack*)

Senators from Maine (*Megan's Legacy*)

Shapleigh, Maine (*Megan's Legacy*)

Showboat Casino (Atlantic City)

Smurf Names (Megan's Legacy, Kerry Matheson's fish)

Sommelier (wine steward for Banshee Point Winery)

Synagogue (*Hearts Desires*)

Tefilah, Jewish Prayer (*Megan's Legacy*)

Testicular Azoospermia (*Tom Cimarelli*)

Tulips (Banshee Point Winery)

Twink (gay slang)

US Network TV Schedule, 2007-08 (Megan's Legacy)

US Representatives from Maine (*Megan's Legacy*)

Veterinarian (*Jamie Page*)

Viet Kong (*The Twain Shall Meet*)

Welland Canal, Ontario, Canada (Jack Sansovino)

Widow's Walk (family mansion)

Wine (general)

Wine Caves (Banshee Point Winery)

Wineries (general)

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