



# The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual **SANFORD OPEN**

# **AUCTION GUIDE**

**AND SCHEDULE**

for the Central Lincoln County YMCA's 2025  
Tennis Tournament & Fundraiser

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**AUGUST 14-16**

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**Proceeds benefit tennis programs  
for more than 700 kids!**

# THE SANFORD OPEN

## How a friendly tourney became a bold regional program

The tennis courts at Central Lincoln County YMCA have always been a great place to make new friends. Many years ago, two men met there: Carl Sanford and Bob Ehrenfeld. They and others who met at the Y enjoyed friendly competition in the annual Ehrenfeld Open, held on a family court overlooking Muscongus Bay.

When Bob passed away in 2007, Carl and his wife Dru decided to honor his legacy by creating the Sanford Open, a tennis tournament that would benefit the Y's tennis program.

Today, we proudly uphold this legacy, and the Sanford Open continues funding kids tennis at the Y. Last year alone, we provided free tennis programming for more than 700 children at the Y and through local schools, and provided free racquets to 160 children.

In fact, we're the only National Junior Tennis and Learning Chapter in Maine (a USTA Foundation program). This partnership allows our tennis programs to be part of food security solutions and, like all Y programs, support families in any area of a child's development. What better place to build self esteem and a healthy lifestyle than on the Y courts?

All of this is possible because of the Sanford Open—and you. Thank you.

## LIVE AUCTION

## Support kids tennis at the Y by bidding on the auction items

For a lot of kids, tennis is something they've heard of, but never played. You can change that by joining us at the Sanford Open!

On the following pages, you'll find all of the fantastic items and experiences up for auction on August 16th. We hope you'll join us and bid generously in support of children living better, healthier lives. Hope to see you there!

# SCHEDULE

## Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup>

**5 to 8pm**      **Masters Tournament** at CLC YMCA

## Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

**8am to 12pm**      **USTA 3.0–3.5 Social Doubles Tournament**  
at Lincoln Academy\*

**12:30 to 4:30pm**      **USTA 3.5–4.5 Social Doubles Tournament**  
at Lincoln Academy\*

## Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

**9am to 12pm**      **Triples Tournament** at Lincoln Academy\*

**5pm**      **Cocktail Reception & Raffle** at CLC YMCA  
**Remarks from CLC YMCA leadership, the Sanford Open committee, and community tennis leaders; plus the Sanford Open winners ceremony and raffle.**

**6pm**      **Sanford Open Celebration Dinner** at CLC YMCA  
**Sit-down buffet dinner with refreshments, a preview of auction items, and more.**

**7pm**      **Live Auction & Paddle Raiser** at CLC YMCA  
**All funds support the Sanford Open and CLC YMCA tennis programs!**

\*In the event of rain, tournaments will take place at CLC YMCA.

## August 4<sup>th</sup> to August 16<sup>th</sup>

**Raffle Baskets—purchase tickets at the CLC YMCA front desk!**

Enter as often as you'd like to win these collections of unique items donated by members of the Sanford Open committee, the Y community, and local merchants!

## Mahjong Set, Lessons, and Treats

Learn to play the Chinese tile-based game. Catherine Scott, a CLC YMCA tennis player, has been playing mahjong weekly for close to a decade. She will have you and three friends exchanging tiles in no time. This two-hour lesson includes a set of brightly colored Mahjong tiles neatly packaged in a hardcover case for safekeeping. Grab some goodies at Barco Maine (provisions from around the world) with a \$100 gift card and get playing!

Donated by Sylvia Morrison, Catherine Scott, Jamie & Penn Way



## Beer Connoisseur's Collection for 4

Enjoy the best New England brews from the finest crystal in Scandinavia! Includes 16 Orrefors glasses, a beer bottle opener with palmetto leaf design, a set of ceramic coasters, cured meat from Broad Arrow Farm, and a selection of 32 ales and lagers from:

Maine Beer Company, Bissel Brothers, and North Coast, Oxbow, Allagash, Bunker, Banded, and Battery Steele Brewing Companies.



Donated by Annette & Chase Welles and Broad Arrow Farm

# Coastal Dining Experience



## **Dinner for 4 at The Alna Store**

Dinner for 4 with welcome cocktails & wine pairings. The Alna works with a plethora of local farms, fisherman and artisans to serve you beautiful food with warm hospitality. James Beard award 2024 semi-finalist in the Best New Restaurant category.



## **Ports of Italy Gift Card**

\$100 gift card for Ports of Italy restaurant in Rockport. Specialties include antipasto, homemade pasta, ravioli, bread, focaccia, and desserts all made daily using free range eggs. Don't miss the whole branzino fish imported from Italy!



## **Lunch at The Contented Sole**

The Sole is where the stunning coast of Maine meets exceptional dining. The menu showcases locally sourced ingredients, thoughtfully curated to create a unique coastal experience. Enjoy your meal while taking in a great view of New Harbor.

Donated by The Alna Store, The Contented Sole, and Santa Calandri

## Shaesby Scott Necklace

14K gold and opal stone necklace by Shaesby Scott. Handcrafted in Austin, Texas, by a dedicated group of artisans. Shaesby's designs are sought after both locally and internationally.



Donated by Catherine  
and Shaesby Scott

## Paella Dinner for 10

Enjoy traditional-style Paella, cooked over an open fire, then served with a salad of local greens and fresh baked focaccia at the Stevenson's in Waldoboro (or at your home if you have an open fire that can fit a very large paella pan). Paella ingredients can be tailored to meet any dietary concerns.

Donated by Ali and Ken Stevenson



# KIDS TENNIS PROGRAM



## Our “backpack project” introduces 3rd graders to tennis

The kids above are local 3rd graders who played tennis at the CLC YMCA! At the end of their fourth free tennis class, we sent them home with backpacks containing a tennis racquet, balls, a net, an art kit, and a certificate for one free session of youth tennis. These backpacks are a great way to get kids outside, playing tennis and learning to love the sport of a lifetime!

## Raise a Paddle for a Backpack!



Our live auction’s paddle raiser supports our backpack project. Simply raise your paddle, and you’ll be donating \$65 to buy a tennis backpack for a child. This year, we provided tennis backpacks to 7 classes; with your raised paddle, you can help us expand to every 3rd grade class in Lincoln County!

**Your paddle = \$65 for 1 tennis backpack**

## Fly Fishing at MT Sapphire Cabin

A week of fly fishing on Rock Creek in Western Montana, while staying at the Sapphire Cabin. Designated a Blue Ribbon Trout Stream, Rock Creek boasts 2,000 fish per mile. The cabin features a common area with 3BRs (queen, two twins, and bunk beds), electric heat and wood-burning stove, newly renovated full bath & kitchen. Dates offered for a week at a mutually agreeable time in 2025–2026, open May–October.

Donated by William Mayer



## African Safari

Experience a tantalizing taste of the wild in the heart of Zululand, one of Africa's richest conservation regions. See elephant, rhino, leopard, giraffe, hippo, zebra, Cape buffalo, kudu, and many more plains game! This package is 6 days and 6 nights, with 3 delicious

meals prepared by international chefs each day, and 2 daily open Land Rover trips with experienced guides.



Donated by Zulu Nyala

## 4 Hearts of Pine Soccer Tickets

4 seats, Section 104, Row K, for one 2025 home match at Fitzpatrick Stadium in Portland. Choose from 8/30, 9/13, 9/21, 9/27, 10/4, 10/18, or 10/25. The Hearts of Pine story is moving: "We began as a movement—culture-led, community-built, and city-backed—with a vision: to bring professional soccer to Portland and the state of Maine. Our mission was simple yet ambitious: to create an elite club that embodies the spirit of Maine while driving economic, cultural, and community impact across the city and state."

Donated by Catherine and Shaesby Scott



# Farm to Table Foodie Package



## **East Forty Farm and Dairy SOLD OUT Harvest Cowside Supper**

Delicious farm to table meal for 4 with Allison and Neal in the hay loft on their farm in Waldoboro. Menu reflects what's in season, so details are sent the week before. May include pork, beef, or veal from the farm, as well as dairy. Vegetarian substitutes available. The milk from the cows

produces award-winning Lakin's Gorges cheeses.  
5:30pm on 10/19/25.



## **Autumn Equinox Farm Dinner with Chef David O'Brien**

Multi-course, family-style farm dinner for 4 with Chef David O'Brien at Wanderwood in Nobelboro. Bridge the gap between summer and fall; revel in the interplay of fresh flavors and seasonal shift. Complimentary cocktail and small bites, followed

by a feast with wine throughout. 5–7pm on 9/2025.

## **Penzey's Gift Card**

\$100 gift card to Penzey's online store. Sourcing spices from across the planet, Penzey's seasonings are inspired by all regions.

Donated by Martha Ehrenfeld

# Art Lover's Package



## Candle Holder

This intimate candle holder bridges domestic ritual and personal narrative. Hand-built and pinch-formed, its porcelain exterior is inscribed with poetic text and spontaneous drawings that speak of quiet longing and connection. The delicate lines are heightened by swathes of gleaming gold lustre, applied in Dominique's signature

final firing. A harmonious synthesis of art, craft, and sentiment—ideal as a luminous solo piece or grouped with others to elevate daily ritual.



## Portland Museum of Art Tour

Your private group tour for up to about one hour for up to 20 people will take you through the PMA's galleries and showcase some of the most significant pieces in the collection, including works by Winslow Homer, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Claude Monet, John Singer Sargent,

Edgar Degas, Andrew Wyeth, and so much more.

Donated by Dominique Ostuni and Tina Petra

## **Sponsors**

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