

# Maine's Bicentennial: 2020

- The Governor's Conference on Tourism -  
April 9, 2019



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# What's Happening and When



- **Maine200 Kickoff Day:** *July 26, 2019, Presque Isle, Bangor, Augusta, Portland*
- **Statehood Day Weekend:** *March 14-15, 2020, Statewide/ Augusta Armory or Statehouse*
- **Summer Celebration featuring Tall Ships America:** *July 16-19, 2020, Portland/Coast*
- **Grand Finale Weekend:** *October 10-12, 2020, TBD (Bangor/Augusta/Statewide)*



# Signature Events



## Maine200 Kickoff Day

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Gov. Janet Mills will make appearances at multiple kickoff events across the state to raise the bicentennial flag and announce planned events.



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## Statehood Day Weekend

*March 14-15, 2020, Statewide/ Augusta Armory or Statehouse*

- Saturday night bean suppers hosted by various groups statewide, incorporating food drives
- Speeches, poetry and musical performance, display of statehood papers, Hall of Flags



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## Summer Celebration featuring Tall Ships America

*July 16-19, 2020, Portland/Coast*



- Tall Ships America will offer educational experiences for youth and travel ships to various ports along the coast, including Portland, Rockland, Bucksport and others. The City of Portland will host a wide-ranging festival in concurrence with tall ships appearances, city-wide, in commemoration of being Maine's first capital city.
- Opportunities to host events/galas/ local and national 2020 candidates and other dignitaries aboard ships or in nearby venues



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## Grand Finale Weekend

*October 10-12, 2020, TBD (Bangor/Augusta/Statewide)*

- “Leading the Way” Expo, featuring Maine companies and nonprofits showcasing the technologies and innovations of the future, Friday, Oct. 9, Cross Insurance Center, Bangor
- Recognition dinner (invitation only) for sponsors, donors and volunteers, featuring Maine foods and entertainment, Friday, Oct. 9, Cross Insurance Center, Bangor
- Bicentennial Festival: Entertainment and activities in Capitol Park; and official sealing of the time capsule by the capsule keepers, Saturday, Oct. 10, Capitol Park/ Statehouse complex, Augusta



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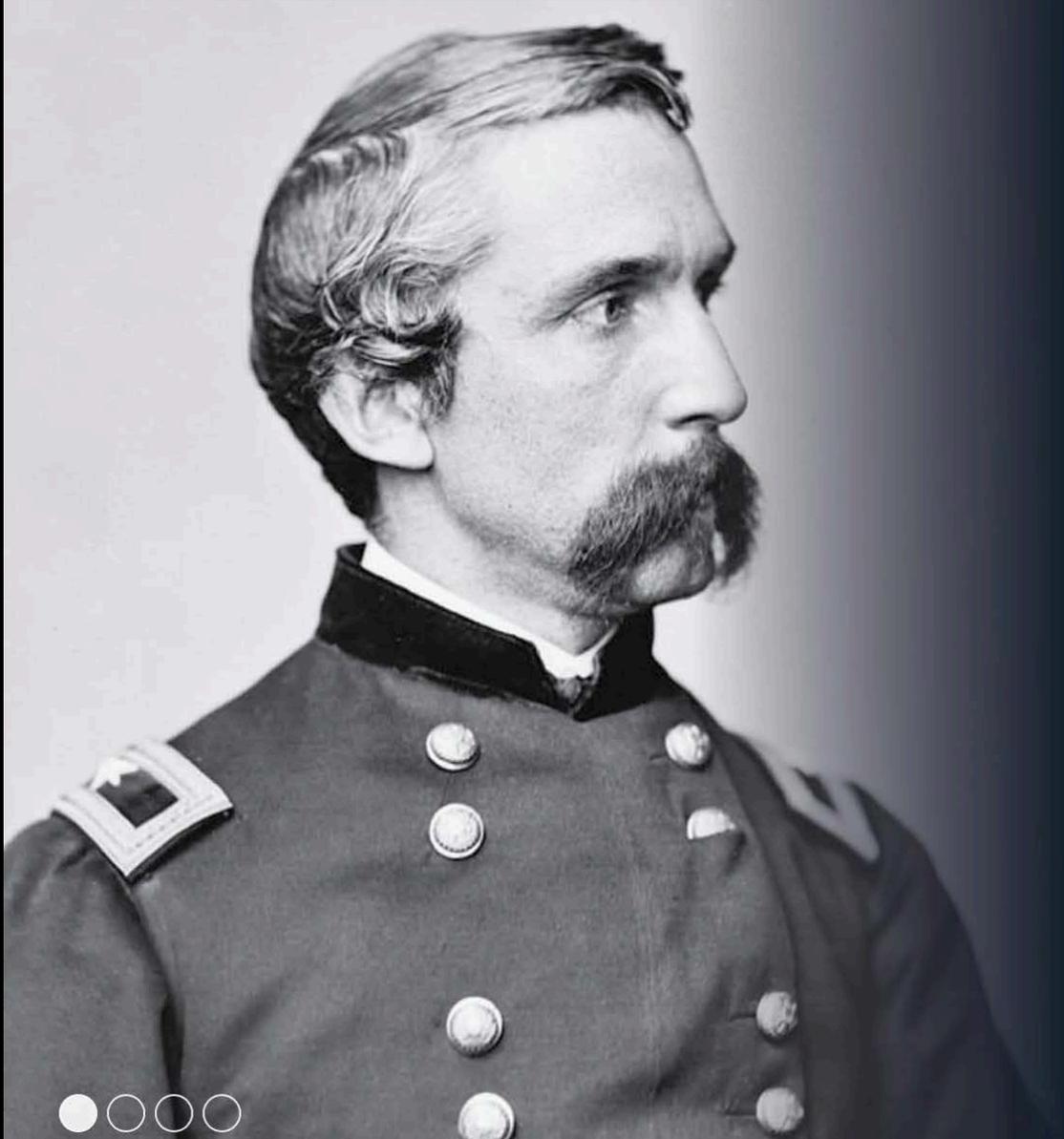
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— In 1863, —  
Joshua Chamberlain

**LED THE WAY**

in winning the  
Battle of Gettysburg



— In 1948, —  
Margaret Chase Smith

**LED THE WAY**

as the first woman to serve  
in both houses of congress





Every morning, Maine

**LEADS THE WAY**

as the first state to  
see the sunrise



A photograph of several sailboats racing on a blue ocean under a clear sky. The sailboats have white sails and are leaning to the right. A large yellow buoy is visible in the foreground on the right. The background shows a coastline with hills.

Now, it's your turn to

# LEAD THE WAY

as a Patron of Maine200!

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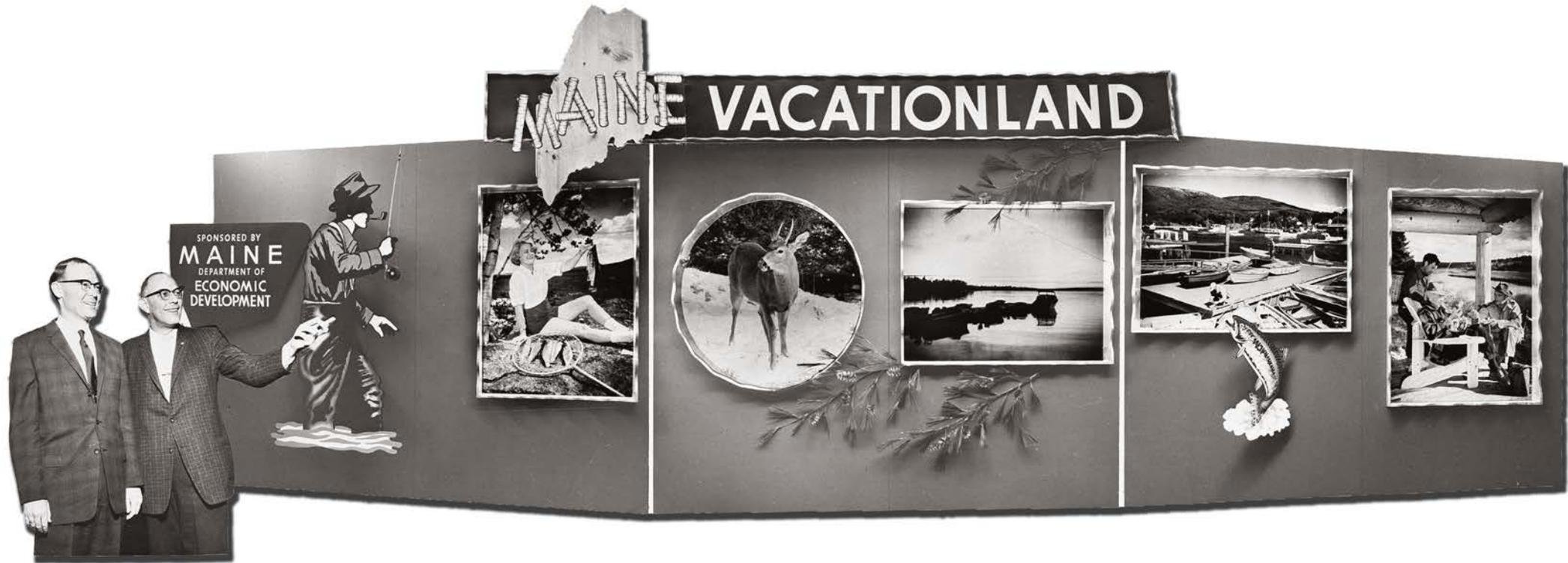


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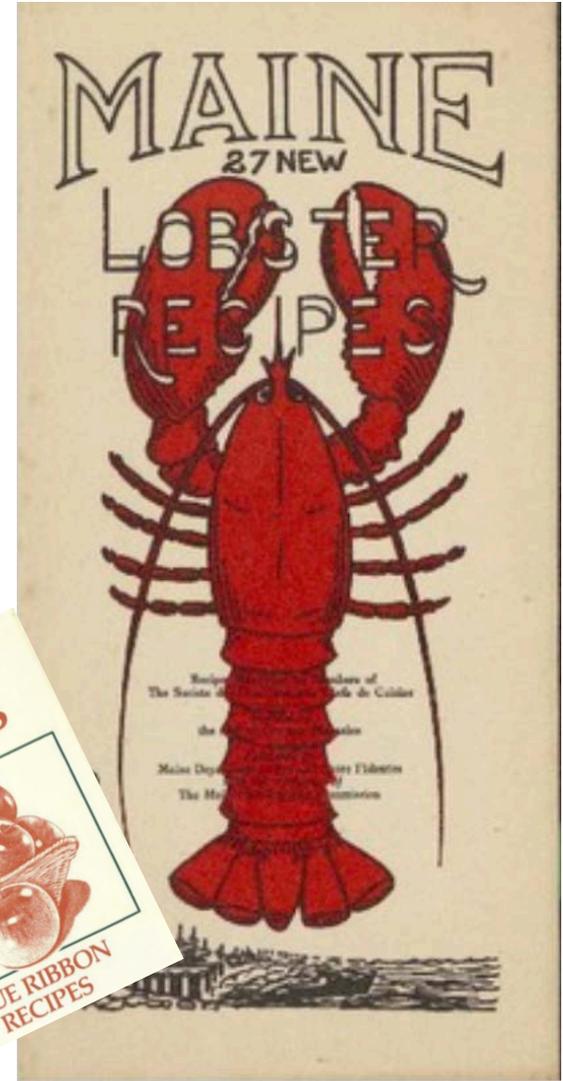
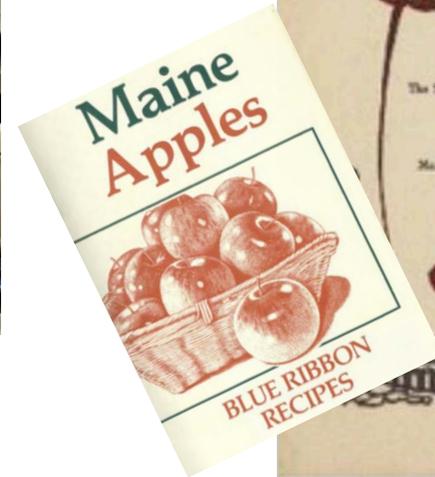
- [Comprehensive Website](#) and Social Media
- Learn About Maine and the Bicentennial Commission
- Statewide Events Calendar – Community Driven
- Getting Involved



# Why Us – Why Here?



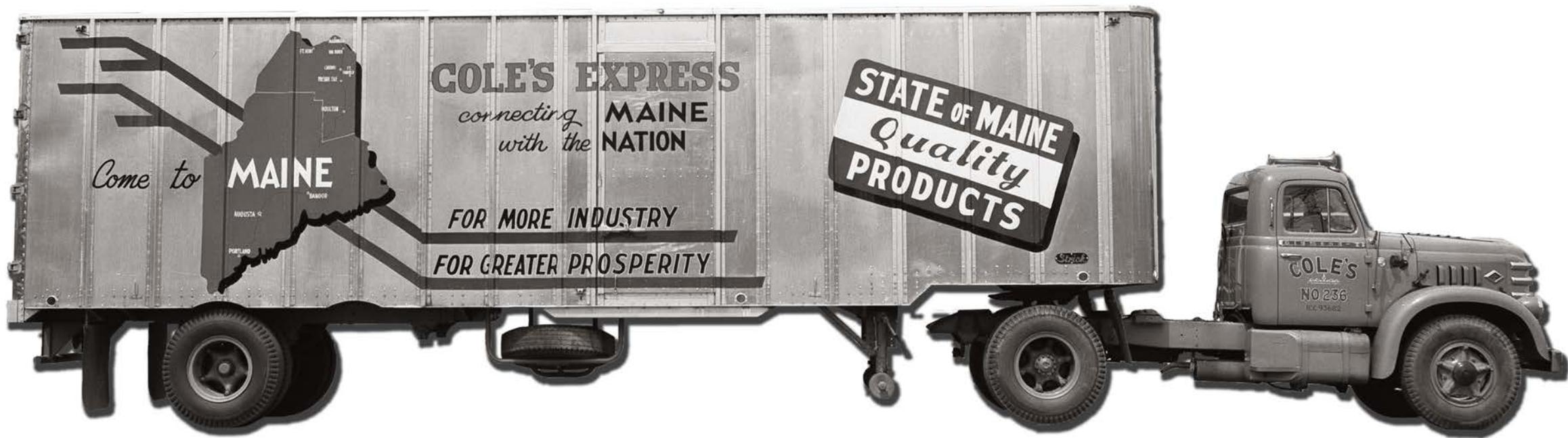
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**Maine**  
**Has the Goods**  
**But She Must**  
**Sell Them**



**MAINE**  
**CAN DO WHAT FLORIDA**  
**AND CALIFORNIA**  
**HAVE DONE**

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# Questions / Answers



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