

《美国最穷州长年薪7万美元 妻子餐厅打工补家用》

导读:缅因州长拿7万美元(约46.5万人民币)年薪,在全美最低,而该州第一夫人则在布兹湾港的海鲜餐厅打工,以存钱买车。



The waitress bounded with a cup of chowder and a plate of fish and broccoli.

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It was Ann LePage's first double shift at McSeagull's, a bustling restaurant touting double-wrapped bacon scallops and views of Boothbay Harbor.

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The wife of Maine Republican Gov. Paul LePage had kept a low profile for the first few weeks of her summer job. But then her husband told a crowd at a recent town hall that his wife took a job to "supplement" his \$70,000 salary, the lowest of any U.S. governor.

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The LePages live with their dog, a Jack Russell terrier mix named Veto, in the Augusta governor's mansion and

bought a \$215,000 Boothbay home two years ago. The governor recently tried but failed to increase his successor's salary to \$150,000, above the nearly \$135,000 average for all 50 state governors in 2015.

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Ann LePage said being a waitress is "something I've always, always wanted to do."

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Her daughter Lauren made \$28 an hour last summer at McSeagull's. LePage said she spent years taking care of her mother, who long suffered from scleroderma and passed away in October.

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Now it's time to follow through on her interest, LePage said, adding: "I know she'd be proud of me."

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Wearing a black McSeagull's T-shirt and sneakers with pink shoelaces, LePage greeted customers with an easy: "Hey, how are you?"

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LePage, who's saving up for a Toyota RAV4, works three days a week, and is asking for more shifts.

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"Because of who I am and who I'm married to, I want to work extra hard just so I can show them I can do the job," she said.

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She doesn't tell customers, or co-workers, who she is unless they ask.

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But a reporter revealed her identity Thursday.

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"I knew, that's why I kept staring!" exclaimed Nina Stoddard.

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She later wondered: "I mean, is she really here just making money?"

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Her friend Laurie said she loved it.

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"I really hate a lot of our politicians nowadays that have the wealth, the money," said Laurie, "They have no clue what the average person out in the world is doing."

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Stoddard agreed and suggested LePage herself should run for office: "It's the best of Maine, the best of who we are. Two feet on the ground."

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