

Chamber News

September 2010

SEPTEMBER MEETING TO FOCUS ON MAINE'S ECONOMY

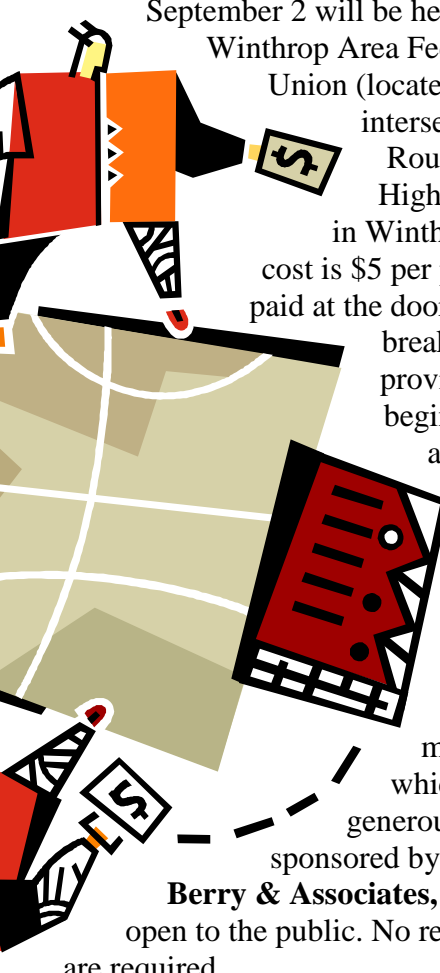
Tony Payne, executive director of the Alliance for Maine's Future, will present "The Stubborn Facts of the Maine Economy" at the Chamber breakfast meeting on Thursday, September 2. Payne's presentation will illustrate the challenges and opportunities Maine citizens have to improve the economy. Through voter education and local action, Maine residents can make their needs known to policymakers and impact the policies that can help move Maine forward with quality jobs in a strong private sector.

The Alliance for Maine's Future, a statewide non-partisan organization, works to hold legislators accountable for a healthy Maine economy through workplace education and voter action. Its mission is to improve the economic opportunities for *all* Maine people by electing and supporting a bi-partisan majority of state legislators who support a strong private sector and an efficient and affordable public sector.

Prior to working at the Alliance, Payne has served at different times as a vice president at two of the state's largest insurance companies, Maine Employers' Mutual Insurance Company and OneBeacon Insurance. He has also served as president of Maine Media, an advertising, market research and public relations company.

Payne has been involved in civic affairs for more than 30 years. He is a graduate and former board chair of the Institute for Civic Leadership. Currently, he serves as chair of the town council in Falmouth and as a member of the USM Board of Visitors. He also is a weekly columnist for the *Maine Sunday Telegram* and *Kennebec Journal*.

The Chamber breakfast meeting on Thursday, September 2 will be held at the Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union (located at the intersection of Route 202 and Highland Avenue in Winthrop). The cost is \$5 per person, to be paid at the door. A light breakfast will be provided beginning at 7:15 am and the meeting will start at 7:30 am and end promptly at 8:30 am. The meeting, which is generously sponsored by **Brian S. Berry & Associates, CPAs**, is open to the public. No reservations are required.

A central illustration of a soccer ball with a grid pattern. Four stylized figures in red and orange uniforms are positioned around the ball, appearing to be in motion. Dollar signs are scattered around the figures, suggesting a focus on economics or finance.

Annual Meeting and Social Event: DON'T MISS IT!

The Chamber Annual Meeting and Social Event will be held on Wednesday, September 22. Join Chamber members for refreshments, door prizes, a little bit of business, and a whole lot of fun!

See page four for invitation and details.

Congratulations!

Let's hear it for the winners of the 23rd Annual Winthrop Sidewalk Art Show--sponsored by the Chamber and underwritten by the **Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union**.

Watercolor:

First place: Irene Duplissis of Auburn
Second place: Dianne Hooper of South Paris
Third place: Kay Morris of West Gardiner

Oils:

First place: Laura Tasheiko of Northport
Second place: Pat Binette of Fairfield
Third place: Dawn Gardner of Wayne

Photography:

First place: Jordan Kirsch of Lisbon Falls
Second place: Alec Hartman of Vassalboro
Third place: Craig Wratten of Winslow

Mixed Media:

First place: Vi Eastman of Lisbon Falls
Second place: Mary Kay Spencer of Litchfield
Third place: Jeri Holt of Windsor

Honorable Mention:

Melissa Post vander Berg of Augusta

The purchase prize awards were sponsored by Brennan Insurance, Cosmetic and General Dentistry of Winthrop, DR Struck Landscape Nursery, and Homestead Realty.

Special thanks to Pat Ladd and Robin Struck for coordinating the event, and to the volunteers who really help make the show as good as it is: Dana Boas, Greg Chamberland, Shari Falcone, Betsy Ladd*, Diane Ladd, and Bob Pelletier*.*

**Betsy, Bob, Pat, and Robin have worked on the show for all 23 years!*

Proposed Slate of Chamber BOARD OFFICERS/DIRECTORS

For 2010/11, the proposed slate of Chamber Board Officers and Directors is as follows:

Officers

President:	Jeff Seguin*
Vice President:	Victoria Christopher*
Treasurer:	Matt Dwyer*
Secretary:	Daren Hachey

Board of Directors

(15 member board):
1) Kelly Beaudoin**
2) Lacaya Hoyt**
3) Rita Moran*



*Renewing for three-year term ending in 2013

**Nominated for three-year term ending in 2013



Save the Date: Halloween BAH IS SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 28

The ever-popular Halloween Business After Hours event, (g)hosted by **Kennebec Savings Bank**, will take place on Thursday, October 28 from 5 to 7 pm at the Winthrop branch, located at 84 Main Street. Mark your calendars now and look for more detailed information coming soon!

Advertise Your Business on THE CHAMBER WEB SITE

The current state of the economy makes it more important than ever to promote your business—and advertising on the Chamber's Web site is a cost-effective way to do it.

Member News & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Edward Jones sponsors a Coffee Club—and provides the coffee and donuts—every third Friday of the month at the Bailey Public Library from 10:30 to 11:30 am. These informal gatherings are opportunities to discuss financial topics and ask questions of Ken Daley, Edward Jones Financial Advisor. On Friday, September 17, the topic will be “Creating a portfolio guaranteed to NEVER lose you money.”

The Theater At Monmouth fall production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *The Pirates of Penzance* will be directed by David Greenham and feature Theater At Monmouth favorite Mark S. Cartier as Major-General Stanley. *The Pirates of Penzance* will be performed from September 24 through October 3.



For tickets or more information, please call The Theater At Monmouth Box Office at 207-933-9999 or visit www.theateratmonmouth.org.

Do you have news about your business that you'd like to share with your Chamber colleagues? Send an email message to info@winthropchamber.org and we'll put it in the Chamber News.



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Planning for Fall? Make Plans TO JOIN THE CHAMBER!

Chamber membership is a great way to meet and network with others in the community and boost the visibility of your business or organization at the same time. Those who join receive big benefits from Chamber membership:

- **ADVERTISING:** Members get a FREE listing on the Chamber WEB SITE and a FREE entry in the Chamber's VISITORS' GUIDE. They also get the opportunity to LINK THEIR WEB SITE to the Chamber Web site; ADVERTISE in the monthly newsletter; participate in special promotions and free distribution of MARKETING materials; and purchase advertising in specially designed brochures that PROMOTE TOURISM in the Winthrop Lakes Region.
- **AFFILIATING:** Members get a FREE membership decal; are encouraged to do BUSINESS with other members; and are given REFERRALS from inquiries made to the Chamber. Members also get to participate in the CHAMBER CASH PROGRAM, available to member businesses *only*.
- **LEADING:** Members get to be part of a lobbying effort to REPRESENT CONCERNS of the business community on a LOCAL AND STATEWIDE LEVEL.
- **NETWORKING:** Members get to KNOW ONE ANOTHER in casual meeting, reception, and other event settings. They also get to WORK TOGETHER on committees and as volunteers.



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Annual Meeting and Social Event

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2010
Time: 5:30 pm ~ 7:00 pm
Place: Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union
94 Highland Avenue
Winthrop, Maine 04364

Please join us for the Chamber's Annual Meeting and Social Event at the Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union on Wednesday, September 22nd from 5:30 ~7:00pm.

Refreshments, Hors d'oeuvres, Door Prizes, and a little bit of business.

Please RSVP by Friday, September 17, 2010 to:
info@winthropcreditunion.org or 207-377-2124.