

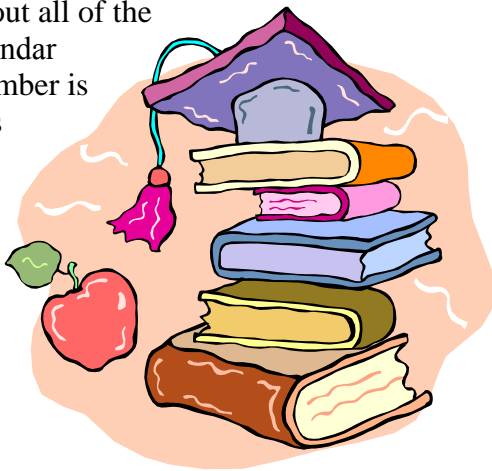
Chamber News

September 2011

FALL IS FILLED WITH CHAMBER ACTIVITIES!

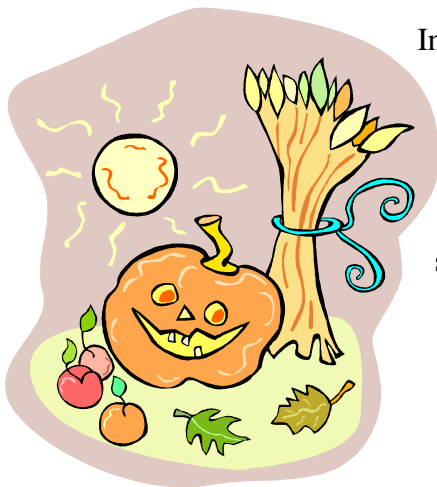
Chamber's Fall Events Include ANNUAL MEETING AND MORE!

Be sure to mark your calendars now for the line-up of activities and events being offered by the Chamber this fall. Detailed information about all of the Chamber's calendar items for September is available in this issue, as are the details for the Maine State Chamber's panel discussion on staying competitive on Thursday, September 15. See page 4 for more information.



Thursday, September 1
Wednesday, September 21
Thursday, October 6
Thursday, October 27
November 3

Breakfast Meeting
Annual Meeting
Breakfast Meeting
Business After Hours
Breakfast Meeting



Information about activities and events being held later in the season will be coming soon!

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Local History/Historical Society IS BREAKFAST MEETING FOCUS

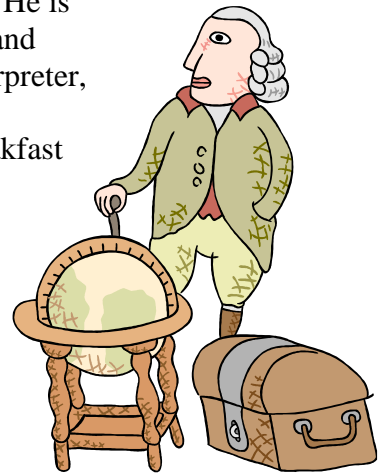
Don't know much about history? Then come to the Chamber breakfast meeting on Thursday, September 1, when local historian David Cook will be the featured speaker. He will focus on some of the early business people and activities, including John Chandler's first mill (underneath the Winthrop Commerce Center), as well as the Whitmans, the Clarks, and the Baileys.

Cook is a retired Winthrop High School history teacher and member of the Winthrop Historical Society. He is the author of the books, *Winthrop (ME) (Images of America)* and *Above the Gravel Bar: The Native Canoe Routes of Maine* and has written numerous other regional history and archeological articles. He is respected as a Maine and American history interpreter, speaker, and teacher.

The Chamber breakfast meeting on Thursday, September 1 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.

For more detailed information, please go to www.winthropchamber.org, send an email to info@winthropchamber.org, or call 207-377-8020.



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

The Chamber Annual Meeting and Social Event will be held on Wednesday, September 21. Join Chamber members for refreshments, door prizes, a little bit of business, and a whole lot of fun!

See page 5 for invitation!



**Nominations Are Being Accepted
FOR CHAMBER BOARD**

Interested in serving on the Chamber Board? Please contact Chamber President Jeff Seguin with any nominations prior to the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, September 21.

Call 207-377-8020 or send an email to info@winthropchamber.org with your nomination today!



**Thanks to Community Art Show
IS TREMENDOUS SUCCESS!**

The Winthrop Area Chamber of Commerce recognizes the indispensable assistance and support of everyone involved in the 2011 Winthrop Sidewalk Art Show.

From the art patrons and artists to the judges and purchase prize donors to the sponsors and volunteers, the successful achievement of the art show is a result of the collective effort of many community members.

Congratulations to Best in Show Artist Melissa Post van der Burg and Best Festival Booth Artist Bruce Habowski.

Special thanks to the following sponsoring businesses and organizations:

**Foshay-Carlton Cards & Gifts
Kennebec Savings Bank
Levey & Wagley
United Insurance-Davis Agency
Shepherd Chiropractic Center
The Bank of Maine
Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union
Winthrop Commerce Center
Winthrop Veterinary Hospital**

Member News & ANNOUNCEMENTS

All aboard for musical mischief when the **Theater At Monmouth** present its fall musical, "On the Twentieth Century," by Cy Coleman, Betty Comden, and Adolph Green. This crazy romp set on the famous Twentieth Century Limited train from Chicago to New York will be performed from Friday, September 23 through Sunday, October 2. Tickets are available for purchase online at www.theateratmonmouth.org or by calling the Box Office at 207-933-9999.



Help the Chamber Share the NEWS ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS

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*.



State Chamber Presents STAYING COMPETITIVE

The Maine State Chamber in Partnership with the City of Lewiston and the Partnership for a New American Economy (www.renewoureconomy.org) is hosting an informative panel discussion, *Staying Competitive in a Global Age: The Role of the Immigrant Community in Maine's Job Creation*, on Thursday, September 15, 2011, from 8 to 10 am (breakfast included) at Bates College in Lewiston.

What role do immigrants play in Maine's future? Maine business, political, and education leaders will share their experiences with members of the immigrant community and discuss how the immigrant community provides opportunity for growth.

The panel will consist of representatives from Barber Foods, Jackson Laboratory, the University of Maine System, the City of Lewiston, and, for a national perspective, The Partnership for a New American Economy. Please stay tuned for more details and information about this exciting event!



**WINTHROP AREA
CHAMBER of COMMERCE**
Serving the Winthrop Lakes Region

Your Chamber at Work:

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Local businesses, individuals, and organizations receive great 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.

For more information about becoming more involved in the Winthrop Area Chamber of Commerce, please call 207-377-8020, email info@winthropchamber.org, or go to www.winthropchamber.org.

**Advertise on Chamber Website
SO CUSTOMERS CAN FIND YOU!**

The current state of the economy makes it more important than ever to promote your business—and advertising on the Chamber's Website is a cost-effective way to do it. Advertising rates are posted online at www.winthropchamber.org. For more information about advertising on the Chamber website, call 207-377-8020 or email info@winthropchamber.org.



**Don't Miss MaineBiz
MOMENTUM CONVENTION**

Produced for Maine's business community, the MaineBiz Momentum Convention is where CEOs, marketing execs, human resources managers, business owners, sales managers, technology directors, and professionals can spend a day with their peers to help build momentum for their businesses. This day of learning, exhibits, networking, and inspiration will take place on Thursday, October 20 at the Augusta Civic Center in Augusta and will culminate with the Momentum Reception from 4 to 5 pm. For more information, go to www.mainebiz.biz/momentumconvention.





Annual Meeting and Social Event

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2011
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 21st from 5:30 ~7:00pm.

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

Please RSVP by Friday, September 16, 2011 to info@winthropcreditunion.org or 207-377-2124.