

Upcoming Events

July

07/09 23rd Annual Golf Tournament

10:00 a.m. Shotgun Start @ Augusta Country Club

07/25 Business After Hours 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. @ Harlow Gallery

August

08/14 KVCC Board of Directors 5:30 p.m.

08/22 Business After Hours
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
@ Sportsman Alliance & Lisa's
White Flour Catering

*Bolded items are open to the public



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Insider Newsletter

July 2018

Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Kennebec Valley Chamber.com

23rd Annual Golf Tournament

Monday, July 9 | 10:00 AM Shotgun Start | Augusta Country Club

To benefit the

Kennebec Leadership Institute

Team "Scramble"

Registration @ \$130 per golfer/\$520 per foursome

Registration includes:

- Complimentary tournament gifts
 - · Greens fees and cart
- Lunch provided on the turn and appetizers after

Contests Include:

- Outstanding men's AND ladies' division prizes
 - Hole-in-one & closest-to-the-pin prizes on par-3 holes
 - Longest drive prizes



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Kennebec Valley Board of Realtors Maine Job Trust Maine-ly Gymnastics Stained Glass Express Sutherland Conservation &
Consulting
The Gannett House Project
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Member Spotlight



Gary Crocker has been delivering his own special brand of Maine Humor to local events, organizational meetings and Companies throughout Maine and across the Country for over 40 years. Locally, he has helped raise money for causes such as the Sexual Assault Center, a variety of ending hunger campaigns, Augusta's Children's Center, The Children's Museum and many others. And he has hosted the Annual Kenney Awards for the last two years.

A few quotes from previous clients say it all:

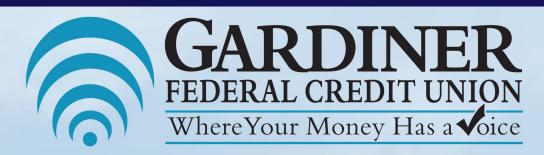
Peter Prescott, Team EJP, "Your approach to Maine Humor is unique and quite refreshing and the packed house truly enjoyed it all".

Peter Vigue, CIANBRO Corporation, "Your program added tremendous value to our Company and was very entertaining. You left our people with a message they will never forget".

Rosemary Kulow, Town Manager, New Gloucester, Maine, "Not only did you make us laugh until our cheeks hurt, you challenged us to consider how, when introduced into our daily lives, humor and kindness enlighten our existence".

These quotes were pulled randomly from our files and reflect the opinion of Gary's audiences over his 40-plus year career of bringing laughter to a wide variety of events. In fact, it is worth noting that he has twice entertained at funerals!

If you would like to spice up an event at your Company or organization with some good clean humor visit www.garycrocker.com or call him at 207-462-3774.



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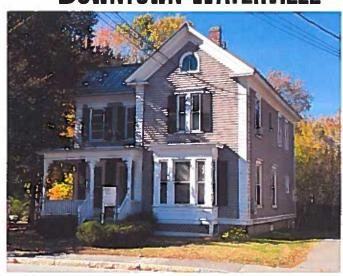
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The Great Race, June 26, Downtown Gardiner



The Great Race, an antique, vintage, and collector car competitive controlled-speed endurance road rally on public highways with cars from 1972 and older, made an overnight stop in Gardiner, ME on June 26th. An estimated 5,000+ people attended the event. Governor Paul LePage welcomed the Great Race organizers, racers, and their families to Maine along with Mayor of Gardiner, Thom Harnett while they feasted on a lobster bake.

The full Maine experience Gardiner Main Street and the Chamber provided for them helped Augusta-Gardiner win the title of Best Overnight Stop!

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Kennebec River Day, June 30



Kennebec River Day was held at Mill Park along the mighty Kennebec River on June 30th from 11 am to 4 pm with activities for ALL AGES! Activities included disc golf, making slime, live historical reenactments, a dunk tank, planting veggies, inflatable obstacle courses, and much more! Craft vendors also be attended selling hand crafted baskets, jewelry, and more!









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Kennebec River Brewfest, June 30

The 1st annual Kennebec River Brewfest took place on June 30th in Mill Park and featured a variety of local breweries. Food vendors, live music, lawn games, and were all within an arms reach of the Kennebec River Brewfest as it took place in the middle of the Kennebec River Day. Brewfest attendees had over 30 different beers to choose from for a 4oz tasting. From Augusta to Bangor to Portland and beyond, craft beer continues to grow in the state and the Chamber is excited to present an event that brings the community together and allows local Maine breweries showcase their business.



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CHAMBER MEMBER NEWS

Camden National Bank recently announced the Grand



Prize winner of its spring sweepstakes, Swipe Sweeps. Kyle Veillette, a young man from Carmel, Maine, won \$5,000 in May for using his debit card throughout the promotional period. Over the

course of the two-month sweepstakes, Camden National Bank awarded 39 other customers with\$100 each, totaling over \$9,000 in prizes. The winning customers ranged from 20 to 78 years old and were located across Maine and as far away as Washington, D.C. to Washington State.

Camden National Bank has recently promoted Joshua



Tainter to Assistant Vice President, Commercial Banking Officer. In his new role, Josh will handle the commercial banking needs of businesses in Central Maine. In addition to serving his current customer base, he will also be responsible for assisting new Camden National Bank customers.

Cushnoc Resiliency Advisors, a management consulting firm specializing in Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Planning for small and medium sized businesses in Maine and throughout the United States, announced that Patrick Dunn, President and Director Consulting will be speaking at the Disaster Recovery Journal's Fall Conference "Reimagining Business Resiliency." Patrick Dunn will speak about Complying with the CMS rule for Healthcare Emergency Preparedness. The conference will be held September 23-26, 2018 at the JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort and Spa in Phoenix, Arizona.

Gardiner Federal Credit Union staff and board members



presented a total of \$23,368.27 on May 16 to nine area food pantries and organizations which provide meals to neighbors with food insecurities. Every dollar do-

nated to the food pantries provides up to \$8.00 in food. Gardiner Federal Credit Union holds a number of fund raising activities, throughout the year, to benefit the Ending Hunger Campaign. These activities include, but are not limited to, their annual yard sale, spaghetti supper, Thanksgiving pie sale, 50/50 raffles, and their cash calendar (on sale now).

The Harlow kicks off summer with their annual Summer Members' Show & Sale, featuring a diverse collection of work by Harlow artist members. This year The Harlow invited artists to submit work responding to the theme of "Construction/Deconstruction" in celebration of the MaineDOT road construction project taking place in

Hallowell. The exhibition is on view July 6-28, 2018 at 100 Water Street in Hallowell in the Harlow's upstairs gallery. The public is invited to attend the opening reception on Friday, July 6 from 5-7pm and meet the artists. The opening reception coincides with the opening for Dog Days, a fun and light-hearted exhibition celebrating our loyal canine companions on view in the downstairs gallery July 6-14, 2018.



Kennebec Behavioral Health (KBH) is pleased to announce that Melissa Cooper, LCPC has been hired as their new Director of School Based and In-Home Counseling Service. This service provides mental health counseling for children and youth within the school setting and other community sites.

Licensed clinicians work closely with schools and parent/ guardians throughout the mid-Maine region and beyond to provide assessment and therapy services.

The University of Maine at Augusta (UMA) is expanding



and making higher education more accessible to Mainers statewide. After a re-visioning process led by UMA President Rebecca Wyke over the 2017-18 academic year, implementation has begun to reintegrate eight University College Centers and re-establish a long-standing and

historic relationship, fulfilling UMA's statewide mission. Students will benefit through increased support and engagement opportunities. The eight centers will now be known as UMA Centers, and are located in Brunswick, Ellsworth, East Millinocket, Houlton, Rockland, Rumford, Saco, and South Paris. The vast majority of the students at the UMA Centers are currently UMA students, taking part in distance education or onsite classes. This renewed relationship will expand course availability and academic supports for UMA students across the state.

Vacationland Inn and Shindigs in Brewer and The Charles Inn in Bangor are proud to announce that Rhonda



Graziosi, Operations Manager, was nominated and received the Greater Bangor CVB Employee of the Year Award 2018. Rhonda began work at Vacationland Inns when it was the former Twin City

Motor Inn. She worked day in and day out from 2007 with the former owners doing the first overhaul of the hotel. Ever since she has been helping rehab, remodel, clean and serve without complaint. Vacationland Inns is where it is today because of her dedication of almost 11 years.



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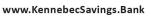
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BUSINESS after HOURS

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100 Water Street, Hallowell

The July Business After Hours will be held at **The Harlow** in Hallowell, co-hosted by The Liberal Cup, on Wednesday, July 25th from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

The Harlow relocated to a larger building at 100 Water Street in downtown Hallowell at the beginning of the year and now offers two floors of exhibitions by Maine artists, a dedicated craft shop, art classes and more. Meet us in Hallowell to explore The Harlow's new home and downtown Hallowell's evolving new look.

Complimentary hor d'oeuvres provided by The Liberal Cup, central Maine's original brewpub, plus cash bar and great door prizes.

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