# Owner's Guide

SPRING 2019

### **Growth Continues to Soar**

As I reported in my last letter to our membership, as a result

of phenomenal growth, your credit union was ranked the largest in the state by asset size at the end of October last year. Currently, there is a merger

underway that will combine two fairly large credit unions in southern Maine. This merged entity will assume the top spot in the next couple of months. I take great pride in knowing that Maine Savings' growth has been purely organic due to our membership utilizing our products and services to such a high extent. Maine Savings continues to be the largest credit union mortgage and commercial lender in the state, and we expect that to continue. We pride ourselves in our staff's extensive knowledge and expertise in both of these areas.

As you know, we opened our first retail branch in Portland at the end of last year. Planning is underway for a Grand Opening Celebration and we will keep you updated as those plans are finalized. Maine Savings is the naming sponsor of the premier concert venue being built at Rock Row in Westbrook. This was a strategic decision made for a number of reasons – name recognition being the ultimate continued on page 2

## Maine Savings Pavilion

We are proud to announce Maine Savings is now the **naming sponsor** of Westbrook's premier concert venue at Rock Row, signing a multi-year agreement with Waterfront Concerts. With a plan to host numerous concerts per year and welcome more than 100,000 live music fans annually, the venue will be known as Maine Savings Pavilion, located in Westbrook.

Rock Row's storied past began in 1942, when Blue Rock Industries purchased a gravel pit located on the site of today's quarry. For over 70 years, the gravel and stone removed from the 26-acre quarry have transformed the way people in Maine and New England live, through the



aggregate used in the construction of the Maine turnpike, I-95, I-295, local bridges, Maine military bases and the runway at the Portland International Jetport.

Today, Rock Row is poised to continue in these proud footsteps with the creation of a transformative mixed-use experiential destination that will enrich the lives of local residents and visitors for years to come. The new development will be a collection of commercial and residential uses, as well as recreational opportunities. **Full build-out is expected by 2022**. Construction of retail space has already begun with plans for Market Basket to open this summer.

As part of the naming rights agreement, members will receive numerous benefits. Please visit our website for full details. **mainesavings.com/Pavilion** 



## **EQUITY BUILDER PROGRAM**

## Get Up to \$15,000 in Down payment and

## **Closing Cost Assistance in 2019**

This program is offered to benefit our members.

### **Get into your dream home!**

Since establishing the Equity Builder Program\* (EBP) back in 2016, Maine Savings members have received **over \$170,000** in **assistance** for down payment and closing costs. The program helps bridge the gap for home buyers who are close to being able to buy a home, but who may need a little bit of help. Contact one of our Loan Officers now for more information or VISIT mainesavings.com/ EQUITY.

\*Grant is provided by the Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston through its Equity Builder Program. Buyers eligible to receive assistance through the EBP are individuals and households earning no more than 80 percent of the area median income, based on their future address. To be eligible to receive assistance through the EBP, buyers must complete a home-buyer counseling program administered by an agency designated by the EBP-approved member financial institution. The program must include pre- and post-purchase counseling. Interest would not accrue on the grant and the proceeds would only be due if the property is sold within the first five years of home ownership. May not be combined with any other type of down payment programs.

## **Black Bear Swipes**

#### **Showing Your Black Bear Pride**

Maine Savings supports UMaine Athletics! Each time you use your Black Bear Debit Card to make a purchase, we'll make a \$0.05 contribution to the Alfond Fund. Our contributions totaled \$38,474.75 in 2018! Thank you to all our members who use the Black Bear card!



## **A2A External Transfer**

We are pleased to offer A2A, External Transfers, through Online Banking. This is a free service available to eligible members. Please contact one of our Member Service Representatives at 800.273.6700 to enroll today. This service enables members to transfer money to/from their Maine Savings checking or savings accounts from/to their account at another financial institution, empowering our members to manage their finances.

## Inside account, meet Outside account.

Easily move money between your accounts with us and other financial institutions.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT Growth Continues to Soar

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goal as we break into the southern Maine market. We are thrilled to have our name on the venue that will bring amazing talent to southern Maine and will benefit the surrounding communities. I hope you have a chance to see a show during the inaugural season at Maine Savings Pavilion at Rock Row.

The current economy looks to be relatively stable and economists are not predicting major swings, and do not foresee any significant interest

rate changes in 2019.

We are delighted that our growth has also led to increased charitable contributions to a variety of worthy organizations doing amazing work in our communities. Our focus remains Ending Hunger, and you can read about our remarkable 2018 Ending Hunger efforts on the last page of this newsletter. We also award scholarships in each of the areas where we have branches, and this year we were able to increase the amount of each scholarship to

\$1000! We will be awarding ten of these scholarships this spring. Additional scholarship information is also included in this newsletter.

As always, thank you for your membership and your business, and I hope you all enjoy this time of year when new life is all around us!

John Reed

President and CEO

## **Ending Hunger 2018 Results**

### We Raised Over \$41,000!

Maine Savings staff work throughout the year to raise money to help end hunger in Maine. This is done entirely through member fundraisers and employee payroll deductions. Our yearlong efforts culminate with our distribution of checks to many area food pantries. We recently had the pleasure of presenting these checks. This year, we raised and distributed over \$41,000! Thanks both to all of these wonderful organizations that work tirelessly to end hunger and to our dedicated staff that works hard to raise these funds each year!



## Funds will be donated to the following organizations:

Good Shepherd Food Bank Bangor Area Homeless Shelter Brewer Area Food Pantry - OHI Holden Congregational Church Lighthouse COG Chefs Clifton Cumunity Food Bank Eastern Area Agency on Aging - Meals On Wheels Safe Place Community Outreach Emmaus Shelter Loaves and Fishes Ellsworth Maine Seacoast Mission Bar Harbor Food Pantry Tree of Life Food Pantry Blue Hill Town of Surry - Surry Backpack Program
Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen
Hampden Neighborhood Food Neighbor's Supporting Neighbors Food Pantry UMC Ecumenical Food Cupboard Vassalboro Food Station Food Pantry Vassalboro Food Pantry, Backpack Program Back Pack -Fairmount School Spruce Run Association Linda's Food Cupboard Southern Maine Community College School Pantry Piscataguis Regional YMCA

## 2019 Scholarships

### Apply for a \$1,000 Scholarship

If you are a college-bound graduating senior please apply by Friday, April 12th.

### APPLY AT: mainesavings.com/scholarship

Maine Savings offers ten \$1,000 scholarships to members who are college-bound graduating seniors. If you are awarded a scholarship, it will be applied to your second semester of college.



## **Privacy Notice:**

With our new website our privacy policy has changed location. The Privacy Notice (as well as the Security Statement and Member Disclosure) are available for you to view at mainesavings.com. Scroll to the bottom of any page and click "Privacy, Security, Disclosure."

## **New Ellsworth Hours**

Effective May 4th: Ellsworth Branch will open on Saturdays from 8:30 am to noon.

## **PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS**

## Compass Club



Download our FREE discount app for great local and national discounts.

mainesavings.com/compassclub





### Platinum Rewards Credit Card



**NO ANNUAL FEE** 

**NO BALANCE TRANSFER FEE** 

**NO CASH ADVANCE FEE** 

**NO LIABILITY** 

**REWARDS** 









## Certificates



#### **Certificates Have Climbed**

24 months 2.38% APY\*

\*visit mainesavings.com/rates limited time only

## Annual Meeting All members are welcome.

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Wednesday, June, 5 pm

Hilton Garden Inn Bangor, 250 Haskell Road

If you are interested in becoming a board member, the deadline for submitting a letter of interest for a seat on the board is Friday, April 26. Please direct your letters to Rob Carmichael, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, PO Box 347, Hampden, ME 04444.

## Service Anniversaries

## and **New Hires** 4th Quarter

Hampden	
Theresa Voisine	33
Rick Moore	33
Raymond Mayhew	18
Rob Carmichael	15
David Sayers	12
Brett Speed	5
Jim Silsby	4
Amanda Gray	1
College Ave	
Trisha Raymond	12

Milo	
Beth Beals	22
Vassalboro	
Amy Jones	9
Alicia Moore	7
Bangor—Broadway	
Joshua Howes	14
Brewer	
Debra Lynch	12

#### **New Hires**

William Pelkey, Hampden Admin

Dorothy Leighton, Hampden Teller

Ledilaine Cunha, Hammond St Teller

#### Closings

Patriot's Day

Monday, April 15

Memorial Day

Monday, May 27







## Member Service Center 207.862.6500 or 800.273.6700

memberservice@mainesavings.com Monday–Friday: 8 am to 5 pm Saturday: 9 am to 3 pm

#### Main Office and Hampden Branch

101 Western Avenue PO Box 347 Hampden, ME 04444 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm

#### Bangor | Broadway

671 Broadway
Bangor, ME 04401
Monday–Wednesday: 8 am to 5 pm
Thursday–Friday: 8 am to 6 pm
(5-6 pm, drive thru only)
Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm
(3-4 pm, drive thru only)

#### Bangor | Hammond Street

868 Hammond Street Bangor, ME 04401 Monday–Friday: 8 am to 5 pm

#### Bar Harbor | Jackson Laboratory

600 Main Street Bar Harbor, ME 04609 Monday–Friday: 7:30 am to 4 pm

#### **Brewer**

Twin City Plaza, 278 State Street Brewer, ME 04412 Monday–Friday: 8 am to 5 pm

#### Corinth

500 Main Street Corinth, ME 04427 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm

#### Ellsworth

25 Resort Way Ellsworth, ME 04605 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm Saturday: 8:30 am to 12 pm

#### VIilo

122 Park Street Milo, ME 04463 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm

#### North Vassalboro

912 Main Street North Vassalboro, ME 04962 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm

#### Old Town | College Avenue

College and Stillwater Avenues 1002 Stillwater Avenue Old Town, ME 04468 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm

#### Portland | Forest Ave

883 Forest Ave Portland, ME 04103 Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 5 pm Saturday: 8:30 am to 12 pm