

The County

Summer 2022

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New Face

The County Federal Credit Union is pleased to announce the recent hire of Kerri Watson-Blaisdell as their new Vice President of Marketing.



A County native, Watson-Blaisdell comes to the credit union with over 15 years of experience in communication and marketing. She began her career with the University of Maine and then relocated back to the County where she worked for The Aroostook Medical Center, now Northern Light Health, for nearly eight years. She then transitioned to higher education where she spent the next seven years at Northern Maine Community College and the University of Maine at Fort Kent, respectively.

Watson-Blaisdell earned her bachelor's degree in English from the University of Maine at Machias in 2002. She then earned her master's degree in Communication from the University of Maine in 2012 and her MBA from Husson University in 2017. She also has a background in graphic design and website management. She replaced former Vice President of Marketing Michael Bosse, who has retired to southern Maine after seven years of service with The County.

Scams Are On The Rise

There are many different types of scams that fraudsters use to take your hard-earned money. From fraudsters claiming to be with the IRS or a computer company calling to tell you your PC has a virus, the list is endless.

While many scams have preyed on victims by using fear as a tactic, some do not. Some scams can seem like a shining light during a dark time. Instead of owing money, fraudsters contact family members with claims that they're entitled to money. For example, they may claim that the family member was left an inheritance, but they just need to pay a fee to process it. People let their guards down and fall victim to these scams, as they want to believe it. Family members should ask for the caller's name, number, and company so you can call them back. If they hang up or try to shift the conversation, it's likely a scam. If they do offer information, people should still hang up and do some research to determine if the entitlement is legitimate.

If at any point someone is calling and asking for your personal information, stop and ask questions or simply hang up. Typically, fraudsters will not tolerate questions. They will become irritated and try to pressure you into giving them the information they want. Always remember that the IRS will never call you. They will send you information in the mail and if need be, they'll ask you to call them. Regardless, never give out your personal information over the phone, on social media, or in an email.

New Faces



Emily
Part-Time Teller
Mars Hill



Macey
Part-Time Teller
Caribou



Amber
Part-Time MRS
Old Town



Patricia
Teller
Caribou



Jessica
MSC Representative
Caribou



Sharon
Teller
Presque Isle

Promotions



Danae
RE Loan Processing
Center Supervisor



Jacob
Assistant Vice
President of IT



Cherie
Real Estate Loan
Processor I



Kyle
Member Business
Development Officer



Alec
MSR New Accounts &
Lending



Jessalyn
MSR New Accounts
Presque Isle



Darlene
Internal Control & Com-
pliance Review Auditor



Darlene
Indirect Lending
Manager

Your Credit Union Awards Scholarships

The County Federal Credit Union recently awarded \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors within the credit union's field of membership.

Sierra Beaulieu – Caribou High School, will attend Husson University for PreMed

Emily Bemis – Presque Isle High School, will attend University of Pittsburgh for Liberal Arts

Benjamin Duprey – Presque Isle High School, will attend UMaine for Business Administration

Logan Gardner – Old Town High School, will attend UMaine for Psychology

Silas Graham – Greater Houlton Christian Academy, will attend UMPI for Business

Samantha Johnson – Houlton High School, will attend UMaine for Communication Science

Colin Poitras – Caribou High School, will attend Eastern Maine Community College for Welding

Athena Saucier – Orono High School, will attend Laguna College of the Arts for Animation

Aaron Saucier – Washburn High School, will attend UMF for History and Education

Alison Sweester – Presque Isle High School, will attend Norwich University for Engineering

Alden Wilcox – Caribou High School, will attend Dartmouth College for Pre-Health

For 2022, The County awarded 11 members college scholarships. The credit union philosophy of 'People Helping People' is alive and well at The County Federal Credit Union. Over the past 24 years, The County has awarded nearly \$140,000 in scholarship money to local students.

Holiday Closings

Independence Day
Monday, July 4th

Labor Day
Monday, September 5th

Member Appreciation Days

Pick up your coupon for \$5 to use at a produce stand!
We will be passing them out one day only at each Branch Location.



Monday, August 8th

we will be passing out coupons at our Mars Hill Branch

Tuesday, August 9th

we will be passing out coupons at our Fort Fairfield Branch

Wednesday, August 10th

we will be passing out coupons at our Caribou Branch

Thursday, August 11th

we will be passing out coupons at our Houlton Branch

Friday, August 12th

we will be passing out coupons at our Presque Isle Branch

Monday, August 15th

we will be passing out coupons at our Howland Branch

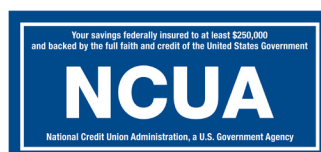
Tuesday, August 16th

we will be passing out coupons at our Old Town Branch

Wednesday, August 17th

we will be passing out coupons at our Bangor Branch

One Coupon per Member. Members must be present at the branch to receive one. Redeemable at listed vendors. List will be announced at a later date.



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