

# The County

Winter 2024

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## 68th Annual Meeting & Board Election Notice

The 68th Annual Meeting of The County Federal Credit Union will be held on Monday, May 6, 2024. Elections will be conducted by mail ballot. No nominations from the floor will be accepted. Any member 16 years or older will be eligible to vote. The nominating committee has named the following nominees:

### Robert Gross - Incumbent

**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Biology, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Associate of Science in Forest Technology, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Associate of Arts in Criminal Justice, University of Maine at Fort Kent; Maine Criminal Justice Academy Graduate; Attended Complex Incident Management Course & Incident Management Leadership Series; Certified Firefighter I & II; Certified Fire Officer I & II; Incident Commander Type 3; Finance Section Chief Type 2.  
**Employment:** Chief Forest Ranger of the Maine Forest Service.

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**Other Interests:** Board of Directors, The County Federal Credit Union; Assistant Fire Chief, Mapleton/Castle Hill/Chapman Fire Department; Secretary for the Northeast-Midwest Fire Supervisors Committee of the National Association of State Foresters; Advisory Board Member, Presque Isle Regional Career and Technical Center Agri Science; Team Member, Aroostook County Special Olympics Area Management; Former Assistant Scout Master, Mapleton Boy Scouts; Former Coach, Aroostook Youth Basketball League; Former Coach, Mapleton Little League.

### Ellen Simone - Incumbent

**Education:** Michigan Tech University; Bachelor of Science in Forestry, University of Maine; Bachelor of Science in Education, University of South Carolina; Master of Library and Information Science; currently part-time University of Maine Fine Arts program.

**Employment:** Retired

**Other Interests:** Board of Directors, The County Federal Credit Union; Town of Enfield Planning Board and Economic Development Committee Member; interest in cooking, gardening, beekeeping, carpentry, reading, sculpture and painting, biking, hiking cross-country skiing, and skating.

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*Nominations may also be made by petition. This may be done by obtaining 390 signatures from members. All nominations must be submitted to the Nominating Committee by February 12, 2024. Please submit a statement of qualification and biographical data with the petition and a certificate from the nominee that they are agreeable to the nomination and will serve if elected to office.*

## New Faces



**Alisha**  
Full-Time Teller  
Houlton



**Angie**  
Branch Manager  
Howland



**Brad**  
Chief Financial Officer  
Presque Isle



**Cherie**  
MSR Card Services  
Presque Isle



**Cole**  
Compliance & BSA  
Assistant - Presque Isle



**Darlene**  
Part-Time Teller  
Howland



**Dennis**  
MSR Card Services  
Presque Isle



**Hannah**  
Part-Time Teller  
Bangor



**Hannah**  
Member Service Ctr  
Rep. - Caribou



**Jade**  
Member Service Ctr  
Rep. - Caribou



**Madison**  
Full-Time Teller  
Houlton



**Moriah**  
Member Service Ctr  
Rep. - Caribou



**Sage**  
Full-Time Float Teller  
North



**Riley**  
MSR New Accounts &  
Lending - Old Town

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### John Folsom - Incumbent

**Education:** Associate degree in Business Administration, Northern Maine Community College; former member of the U.S. Air Force.

**Employment:** Retired

**Other Interests:** Board of Directors, The County Federal Credit Union; Salvation Army League of Mercy; Board Member, First Baptist Church; Member, First Baptist Church Choir; Member, McGill's Band; Former Board Member for Citizens Group in Houlton; Former Board of Directors, Salvation Army-Houlton; Past President, Aroostook Historical & Art Museum; Past member, Town of Houlton Budget Review Committee; Former Board Member, Houlton Federal Credit Union; Former Member UMPI Community Band.

### Matthew Cyr

**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Education with minors in Math, Biology, and Social Science, University of Maine at Fort Kent; C.A.S. Educational Leadership, University of Maine; M.Ed. Instructional Technology, University of Maine.

**Employment:** Superintendent of Schools for RSU #34, serving the communities of Alton, Bradley, and Old Town.

**Other Interests:** Regional School Leadership: Vice President Penquis Region Superintendent Group; Member of SPRPCE Regional Service Center; Municipal roles: Vice President of the Down Town Old Town (DTOT) Committee; Member of Old Town Economic Development Committee; Maine Discovery Museum Board of Directors (and Education Sub-Committee).

## With Our Deepest Thanks...

Recently, we were able to express our heartfelt thanks to two of our departing Board Members, Calvin Deschene (2008-2023) and Shawn Anderson (2004-2023). Both gentlemen devoted hundreds of volunteer hours to The County Federal Credit Union and helped shape the direction of the Board. Their insight and experience were immeasurable and we wish them all the best in the next chapter of their lives!



(L to R) Board member Cliff Barker; Dan Bagley, EVP; Calvin Deschene; Ryan Ellsworth, CEO; and Board member John Folsom.



Shawn Anderson and Ryan Ellsworth

## Promotions



**Tess**  
Branch Manager  
Old Town



**Julia**  
Head Teller  
Presque Isle

## Holiday Closings

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**  
Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

**Presidents' Day**  
Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

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