

The County

Fall 2023

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Photo by Paul Cyr

The County's Fall Festival to End Hunger

The County Federal Credit Union is pleased to announce they will holding the first annual **Fall Festival to End Hunger** at BigRock Mountain on October 8, 2023.

The County's Fall Festival to End Hunger is aimed at raising money to support local food pantries and the Meals on Wheels program. The event will showcase a car show, food trucks, several bands, and wrap-up with fireworks.

"We take supporting our friends and neighbors seriously and have committed to making this an annual event to support our communities," said Dan Bagley, Executive Vice President of The County Federal Credit Union.

The car show will feature vehicles from different eras and types. The spectators will select a "Best In Show" award for their favorite vehicle. A variety of food and beverage trucks will be available all day, from the Paddy Wagon to County Kettle Corn, there's sure to be something for everyone. The bands committed to play during the event are No Pressure, Marionette, Travis Cyr, and Roy Tweedie & the Creamers.

"Older adults throughout the County struggle with food insecurities every day, many unable to meet even their most basic nutritional needs," said Chris Beaulieu, Director of Home Care and Nutrition Services at Aroostook Agency on Aging. "Aroostook Agency on Aging's Meals on Wheels program is vital to addressing this, yet the need continues to outweigh available funding for nutritional food. This wonderful event will literally put food on the table and allow us to reach more of those older adults who not only rely on these well-rounded meals but also a friendly smile from the volunteer who delivers them."

Admittance into the event costs \$15 on-site or \$10 for pre-sale tickets available at all of The County Federal Credit Union locations, as well as all S.W. Collins, Co. locations. For more information on the event, go to www.CountyFCU.org/campaign-to-end-hunger.

Fall Festival's Musical Guests:



New Faces



Patricia
Full-Time MRS/Teller
Howland



Susan
MSR New Accounts
Presque Isle



Stacy
Full-Time MRS/Teller
Houlton



Elizabeth
Full-Time Teller & Back-
Up MSR - Mars Hill



Jessica
MSR Lending
Caribou



Dorinda
Full-Time MRS/Teller
Houlton



Kendyl
Real Estate & Loan
Processor I - Caribou



Cale
SVP Member Business
Lending - Old Town



Hannah
Part-Time MRS/Teller
Fort Fairfield



Logan
MSR Lending
Presque Isle

Promotions



Lacie
Full-time Float Teller
North



Logan
Loan Officer
Old Town



Jordi
Consumer Loan
Operations Processor
Caribou



Marcus
Consumer Loan
Operations Processor
Caribou

Beware of Fraudsters in Mobile Apps!

Mobile payment apps are becoming increasingly popular across all demographics. The apps provide a quick way to send or receive money and are linked to either a card or financial institution account. With the increase in payment app popularity, fraudsters are taking advantage by targeting users with transfer and request scams. Here is what to watch out for:

An “Accidental” Transfer

In this scam attempt, a fraudster will send you a message on your mobile payment app. It will read something along the lines of, “Uh-oh! I didn’t mean to send you that. Can you please send the money back?” After checking your account, you’ll see that you now have money you weren’t expecting—maybe even thousands of dollars. They surely made a mistake and meant to send the money to someone else, right? Wrong. The scammer likely sent you the money using a stolen credit card. After sending, they remove the stolen card’s information from the mobile payment app and link their own card details or account information to it instead. When you send the money back, the scammer immediately withdraws the funds.

In the meantime, the victim whose credit card details were stolen contacts their provider. After the card is blocked and charges are reversed, the money is removed from your account. This means you sent away potentially thousands of dollars and the money you thought you now had is gone.

If you receive a message from someone who claims to have sent you money accidentally, contact the mobile payment app’s support team. Explain that you received money you didn’t request and that you’re concerned about fraud. Instead of engaging with the sender, let the app’s support team handle the situation.

An Unexpected Request

Much like an unexpected transfer, unexpected requests can be something to watch out for. Fraudsters sometimes use the tactic of impersonating a friend or family member to request payments. They will create a profile using the photo of someone close to you. Additionally, they will create a username very similar to that of the person they’re spoofing—often by simply adding a number or removing a letter. At a quick glance, the profiles can be very convincing. The request may be accompanied by a message offering an explanation. After sending them money, the scammer immediately withdraws the funds and deletes the profile. Unfortunately, you may not be able to get that money back. You can report the charge to the mobile payment app’s support team, but there is no guarantee you will be refunded for falling victim to fraud while using their service.

If someone you know (or think you know) sends you a money request on a mobile payment app, call or text them to confirm their request. Even if you can’t get ahold of them right away, simply wait until you’re able to connect with them before sending any money.

Promotions, *continued*



Layla
Full-Time MRS/Teller
Presque Isle

Holiday Closings

Indigenous People’s Day

Monday, October 9th

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25th

Veterans Day

Saturday, November 11th

New Year’s Day

Monday, January 1st

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 23rd

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