

Fishing season is here - it's time to wet a line!

"Most of the world is covered by water. A fisherman's job is simple: Pick out the best parts."

~ Charles W. Waterman

Fortunately for us, we are surrounded by a fishing paradise just waiting to be explored. Maine has 5,785 lakes and too many rivers and streams to count. Yet every year, Mainers and vacationing anglers head to our region as their destination of choice. Major League Fishing brought the best bass anglers in the world here ... twice! And the Kayak Bass Fishing Federation has held three regional championships here too.

It's no secret that our lakes and rivers are an asset that provides not only fantastic fishing but also plays a role in driving our local economy.

In an effort to market this asset, the Chamber created the Mid-Maine Bass Committee whose task is to promote all the fishing opportunities in the region and various fishing events throughout the year. While the bass committee does focus on smallmouth and largemouth bass fishing, we promote all fishing opportunities that draw anglers from around the world. Maine is perhaps most famous for its brook trout and salmon fishing and our region offers plenty of good fishing for those species along with striped bass, shad, white perch, and much more.

When you look at a map of the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce territory it's obvious why fisherpeople flock to lakes like Great Pond, China Lake, and Webber Pond ... the list goes on and on. Bassmaster Magazine recently highlighted these three lakes in their top 100 bass lakes in the nation!

There's so much to choose from that it can be overwhelming, so the bass committee created a website www.midmainebass.com, and a Facebook page to help our angling friends choose the right spot for their fishing adventures. We welcome you to check us out, give a like, and submit a photo of your catch. The more interaction, the better the content for all.

We are so lucky to live, work, and play in an area that offers world-class fishing right in our backyard. I hope you have a memorable summer and catch a few big ones along the way.



Did you know that our region holds multiple state records?

Common Carp, 16.3 lbs

Samuel Foster, Sep. 2014, Kennebec River

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Quinn Warren, Feb. 2012, Messalonskee Lake

Walleye, 5.7 lbs

Nathan Lawler, Aug. 1, 2009, Messalonskee Lake

Northern Pike 31.2 lbs

Lance Bolduc, Mar. 25, 1998, North Pond

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Did you know that one of your Chamber Member benefits is the ability to have a Chamber Chatter segment filmed right at your business?

These videos are shared out on Facebook and receive hundreds of views.

Grow your brand and get some great exposure. Share your business story, special events information and more.

Interviews are conducted by our Chamber host, Jamie Plourde, and are approximately 5 minutes in length. No need to worry, we also have the ability to make edits.

If you would like to get on the schedule, please reach out to
Bridget@midmainechamber.com.
We'd be happy to hear from you.

Thank you Chamber Chatter Sponsors:
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June Mid-Maine Chamber Calendar

Thursday, June 1	3:30 p.m.	Board of Directors (May)
Monday, June 5	8:30 a.m.	KV Connect Steering Committee
Wednesday, June 21	12:30 p.m.	Executive Board
Wednesday, June 21	5:30 p.m.	BAH-Hospice Volunteers of the Waterville Area hosted by GHM Insurance
Friday, June 23	8:00 a.m.	Public Policy Committee
Wednesday, June 28	7:30 a.m.	Marketing & Membership Committee
Friday, June 30	8:00 a.m.	Board of Directors

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Ribbon Cuttings

Waterville Rotary, Sunrise Rotary and Waterville Public Library celebrated StoryWalks, Friday, May 5 at the George J. Mitchell School 58 Drummond Ave., Waterville



ReMaine Humble Farm, May 12
746 Augusta Rd., Winslow



UPCOMING RIBBON CUTTINGS

Tuesday, June 6 at 2 p.m.
Northern Light Inland
Hospital and Perdue
University Global
222 Kennedy Memorial Dr.
Waterville

Thursday, June 8 at 2 p.m.
Nash's Gym
9 Legion Memorial Dr.
So. China

Wednesday, June 21 9 a.m.
Evolution Salon & Spa
319 Main St.
Waterville

Member News

Bixby Chocolates is pleased to announce that their **Maine Grains** Oat Milk Chocolate Bar and its Haiti Dark Chocolate Bar were recipients of 2023's sofi Awards! Sofi stands for "specialty outstanding food innovation" - so you can trust these are not chocolate bars you want to miss!

M&T Bank Charitable Foundation has generously awarded **Woodfords' Family Wellness** programs a \$5k grant to support programming efforts. Woodfords' Family Wellness Programs include the Sibshops Sibling Support Program, the Pathways to Transition Parent and Caregiver Support Group, and more.

United Way of Kennebec Valley (UWKV) has announced the results of its 2023 Community Investment Process, committing \$1,057,459 to support 58 community programs that will improve access to health, education, and financial

stability across Kennebec County over the next year. This amount represents a 1% increase in community funding over 2022 thanks to the success of UWKV's recent fundraising campaign.

Introducing a new Sick-Child Care Clinic for **Northern Light Primary Care**, at 16 Concourse West, Waterville with pediatrician Dr. Zainab Alam. New and existing patients welcome. Monday thru Thursday, 8 – 9 am: walk-ins only, first-come first-serve. FMI: 873.1036.

Kennebec Valley Community College recently announced that it raised \$8,281 at its 1st Spring Giving Challenge. Every single gift will directly support KVCC students.

Explore the **Kennebec Valley** Region with the new Explorer App. A guide to nearly 100 spectacular locations. FMI: visitkennebecvalley.com.



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Calendar of Events

Tuesdays, 2:30 - 4 p.m., Crafternoons, Waterville Public Library

Come to the Children's Room to make the craft with help from library staff!

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FMI: 207-872-5433,
librarian@watervillelibrary.org, or go to
www.watervillelibrary.org

Thursdays, 7 - 7:30 p.m.

Book Bites! (Facebook Read-A-Loud) Waterville Public Library

Each week Mrs. Liz will read an excerpt from one book off of the New Chapter Books shelves. See the video on

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Thursdays May—November 2-6 p.m. Waterville Farmers' Market

Head of Falls, downtown Waterville
Watervillefarmersmarket.org

June 1, 5-8 pm. Hammond Lumber Cornhole for a Cause to benefit Pine Tree Camp. 915 Western Ave, Manchester.

100% of proceeds support the 27th annual Paddle for Pine Tree Camp tuition fund for Maine kids and adults with disabilities to have the experience of a lifetime this summer at camp.

FMI: www.pinetreesociety.org

June 2, Waterville Creates - Celebrate First Friday in Downtown Waterville.

Meet artists, see performances, listen to live music, eat delicious food, shop at local businesses, enjoy the arts, and come together as a community. FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 3, 12:55-4:10 p.m. Met Opera Encore: Don Giovanni (Mozart). 93 Main St, Waterville.

FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 3 & 4, 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. 27th Annual Paddle for Pine Tree Camp. 202 Ferry St, Solon.

FMI: www.pinetreesociety.org

June 4, 4:30 p.m. & June 5, 6 p.m. Waterville Creates Auditions: Murder on the Orient Express. 93 Main St., Waterville.

FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 5, 8:15 a.m. Junior Achievement Golf Classic. Martindale Country Club, Auburn.

Get out and hit the links with a team of coworkers or choose to sponsor part of the course. The event sells out each year, so reserve your sponsorship early! FMI: www.maine.ja.org/events

June 7, 3 - 5 p.m. SLICE: Carpentry with Jon Slack. Waterville Public Library, 73 Elm St.

FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 7, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. MaineBiz Forum Health Care, Doubletree by Hilton, Portland. Topic: The challenges, opportunities and tools for Maine employers.

FMI: www.mainebiz.biz

June 9, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Spectrum Generations' 21st Annual Golf Fore a Cause. The Meadows Golf Club, 495 Huntington Hill Rd, Litchfield.

FMI: www.spectrumgenerations.org/events/golf-fore-a-cause

June 10, 4 - 9 p.m. 2nd Annual Woofstock Music Festival. Humane-Society Waterville Area, 100 Webb Rd., Waterville.

FMI: www.hswa.org/event/woofstock-2023/

June 11, 1 - 5 p.m. The Mallet Brothers Band at Bigelow Brewing. 473 Bigelow Hill Rd, Skowhegan.

100% of the proceeds from this event, including a percentage of pint sales, will go directly to the

Waterville Police and Fire have a portal where businesses can put in an emergency contact should the first responders need to reach someone during off hours.

<https://www.waterville-me.gov/fire/emergency-contact/>

fundraising efforts for the Skowhegan Early Learning Center.

FMI: www.bigelowbrewing.com/bigelow-brewing-events

June 14, 10 a.m. - noon. Ask the Attorney, Free Estate Planning Workshop, Cohen Community Center, 22 Town Farm Rd., Hallowell.

FMI: spectrumgenerations.com or call 626-7777.

June 15, 5:30 p.m. Waterville Rotary Club's Spring Fling. St. Bridget's Event Center, Vassalboro.

FMI: watervillerotary.com or call 649-2745.

June 16, 17, 23, 24 at 7:30 p.m. & June 18, 25 at 2 pm. Rock of Ages – Waterville Opera House 93 Main Street, Waterville.

Presented by Waterville Creates
FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 16-18, 39th Annual Trek Across Maine. American Lung Association, Maine.

122 State St, Augusta.
FMI: www.trekacrossmaine.org

June 17, 12:55 - 4:25 p.m. Met Opera Encore: Die Zauberflöte (Mozart). 93 Main St, Waterville.

FMI: www.watervillecreates.org

June 26, 11 a.m. 10th Annual Terrior Tee-Off Classic, Waterville County Club. To register go to

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UNITY FOUNDATION

Dirigo Labs wins stage one of the U.S. Small Business Administration's 2023 Growth Accelerator Fund Competition

Accelerator awarded \$50,000 in prize money to catalyze relationships and develop Growth Accelerator Partnerships

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced Dirigo Labs as a Stage One winner for the 2023 Growth Accelerator Fund Competition. The Waterville-based accelerator will receive a \$50,000 cash prize to build strategic partnerships supporting the launch, growth, and scale of STEM/R&D-focused small businesses by creating an SBIR/STTR media lab.

Dirigo Labs' award-winning model will amplify the impact and success of Growth Accelerator Partnerships and will work to foster and facilitate a thriving national ecosystem that advances equitable investment in innovative high-growth small businesses. This year's Competition has brought together organizations, entities, groups, and individuals beyond geographic boundaries to support innovators and innovation needed to confront the challenges of today.

"We are delighted to announce that Dirigo Labs has been awarded Stage One of the U.S. Small Business Administration's 2023 Growth Accelerator Fund Competition," states Garvan Donegan, Central Maine Growth Council's Director of Planning, Innovation, & Economic Development. "Out of a highly competitive pool of 355 applications nationally, Dirigo Labs emerged as one of the 40 awardees. This prestigious recognition validates the hard work and dedication of our talented team at Dirigo Labs who

have consistently pushed boundaries and fostered an environment of collaboration and innovation. The \$50,000 prize money will further fuel our efforts to forge a transformative innovation hub, and associated accelerator partnerships, in downtown Waterville, the region, and beyond."

Stage One winners were selected through a multi-tier review panel process with experts in entrepreneurship, business, innovation, and strategic planning inside and outside the federal government. Applications and pitch videos were reviewed by expert judges and submitted by the finalists.

Dirigo Labs will now compete for an additional \$50,000 to \$150,000 later this summer. From precision manufacturing and clean technologies to supporting national defense and community-driven economic prosperity, the real opportunity is now to build up innovation ecosystems and Dirigo Labs is eager to make an impact.

Stage Two cash prizes will support the "Growth Accelerator Partnerships" to further develop vital innovation ecosystems to fast-track the building and scaling of STEM/R&D-focused small businesses.

For more information about the Growth Accelerator Fund Competition, please visit www.sbir.gov/accelerators.



Business After Hours
An Event Series of MMCC

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Wednesday, June 21st
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People News

MaineGeneral Health has selected Nathan Howell, a Maine native, Colby College graduate and seasoned leader, as its next President and CEO. Howell currently serves as president of MaineHealth's Southern Maine Health Care in Biddeford. He assumed that position in 2018. Howell will replace Chuck Hays as president and CEO on July 1, 2023. Hays announced his retirement plans in August 2022 and will remain at **MaineGeneral** during a transition period to see Howell through his onboarding.

Skowhegan Savings Bank has announced that Vicki Alward, chief risk officer, and Dan Tilton, head of sales and customer relations, have been promoted to executive vice president.

Lynch Landscaping is excited to announce Rob DeFlaminis is the new Project Manager of the Property Care division. He comes to Lynch with a wealth of turf, landscaping, equipment, and staff management knowledge.

Northern Light Rehabilitation at Inland Hospital welcomes Stephanie Pettegrow, PT, VRC, an experienced physical therapist to the Madison Rehab office. Stephanie holds therapist certifications in LSVT BIG and Vestibular Rehab and Concussion Management.

Diane Bertrand, Family Caregiver Specialist, was selected as the recipient of **Spectrum Generation's** FY23 Second Quarter Above and Beyond Award! Diane, your efforts are appreciated and make a significant difference in the lives of others.

Colby College is pleased to announce the appointment of Gustavo Burkett, currently senior associate dean of diversity and community involvement at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as the new Dean of the College.

New Dimensions FCU announces that Shivon Larsen from Temple Academy and Kaiden Kelley from Erskine Academy have been selected as New Dimensions FCU's 2023 Scholarship Program winners who have earned \$2,500 each for their first year in college.

Brian Bernatchez, CFPR, founder and managing director of **Golden Pond Wealth Management**, has been named to the Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Advisors list for the 4th consecutive year.

Northern Light Continuing Care, Lakewood is pleased to welcome Tanya Dixon, RN, as the new director of Nursing.



**BUSINESS
BREAKFAST SERIES**

On May 11th we welcomed Trampoline Advertising Managing Partners Paula and Derek Slayton as they discussed audience communications, brand consistency, measuring and tracking marketing performance through Google Analytics, and how to use that information to benefit your marketing.



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Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce announces the 2022 Joseph B. Ezhaya scholarship winner



Hannah Robinson was selected as the scholarship recipient from a field of applicants.

Hannah is one of the top students in her class at Maine Central Institute. She was chosen as Salutatorian for her graduating class of 2023 and will present the welcoming speech at graduation.

By graduation time, along with her regular classes, she will have completed four honors, one AP and six college courses. She is a member of the National Honor Society, has received the Maine Principal's Award as well as multiple Certificates of Merit and other academic awards.

She has played on her school's field hockey, basketball and softball teams throughout her four years at MCI, serving as captain for all three her senior year. Through her schools Key Club and NHS she has found many ways to give back to her community. She has also

worked at various youth athletic clinics. She plans to stay active in community service throughout her college years.

She is entering the field of Speech Language Pathology so she can work with children, a passion she found while being in the Early Childhood program at the schools Technical and Career Center.

Hannah will attend the University of Maine at Orono in the fall majoring in Communications Sciences and Disorders.

The Joseph B. Ezhaya scholarship was established in memory of Joe Ezhaya, a community leader who was known for his generosity and dedication to civic engagement. This \$750 annual scholarship will be distributed to the recipient after the completion of her first semester with a GPA of 2.0 or higher and will be awarded for up to 4 years, for a total of \$3,000.

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Highlights from Wednesday, May 17th at the Paul J. Schupf Art Center 93 Main St, Waterville hosted by

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FOR: GRADES K-12

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TIME: 1-3 PM

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Tools to Thrive Vision/ Mission is to support public education in the community by providing free backpacks filled with school supplies to students in need. We believe that every child deserves school supplies regardless of their family's income or background and has the right to a quality education. Our ultimate goal is to level the playing field so every child has access to the tools that will allow them to achieve academic success and feel confident. They will have "Tools to Thrive".

We ran out of Backpacks last year @ 500 so, Our goal is 600 Backpacks and supplies for 2023-2024 school year.

With your help of donating to our fundraising needs I know we will be able to reach our goal and put smiles on so many children's faces 😊

Thank you for taking the time to consider our request.

Sincerely,

Karen Kelley-Grenier

Rhonda Landry

Felecia Gaulin

Waterville Elks #905

Tools to Thrive

Tri-Chairs

We will glad pick up any items, call 509-5448 or [email-
kkggrenier@gmail.com](mailto:kkggrenier@gmail.com)

Make checks payable to-Waterville Elks Lodge#905

In Memo-Tools to Thrive

YOUTH ARTS ACCESS FUND

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Established in March 2022, the Youth Arts Access Fund (YAAF) provides youth aged 18 and under with free access to **Waterville Creates** events and programs—all of them!

Movies at **Maine Film Center? Yes!**

Theatre camp, plays, concerts, and performances at **Waterville Opera House? Yes!**

Art and clay classes and camps at **Ticonic Gallery + Studios? Yes!**

Since its launch, YAAF has been used over 1,200 times, providing over \$42,000 in free arts experiences.

For just \$1000/month or \$5000/6 months, your business can be recognized as a YAAF sponsor of the month and provide critical support for this beloved program.

SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS:

- Logo on YAAF webpage + in the Arts Spotlight e-newsletter each week of your sponsorship month
- Weekly social media recognition during your sponsorship month

TESTIMONIALS:

“Our daughter loves acting in her school theater shows, but we probably wouldn’t have been able to sign up for theatre camp without the Youth Arts Access Fund. Very grateful!”

“The Youth Arts Access Fund allows all 3 of my kids to participate in a variety of arts I could not afford as a single mom.”

“The Youth Arts Access Fund made a huge difference in our lives. Finding educational and affordable things for my son to do is hard. YAAF opened up doors for my son to come out of his shell.”

INTERESTED?

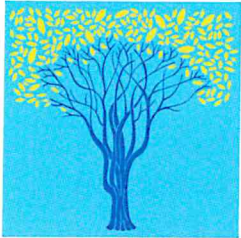
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SUMMER '23

with **WATERVILLE CREATES**



ART IN THE PARK

Thursdays, June 15–August 17

3–5pm; Free

Castonguay Square, Waterville*

Summer in Waterville = Art in the Park!
Presented in partnership with the Waterville Public Library and the Colby College Museum of Art, Art in the Park offers

guided, outdoor art-making activities for all ages in a relaxed setting. Each Thursday, participants will create works inspired by the Library's summer reading theme, "All Together Now: Todos Juntos," with activities focused on unity, kindness, and togetherness. **In the event of extreme weather conditions, Art in the Park will move to the Paul J. Schupf Art Center*



SUMMER ARTIST + MAKER CAMP (AGES 8-12)

June 26–30, 2023

9am–12pm; \$175

Ticonic Classroom

This weeklong, half-day summer artist + maker camp will release the creative maker in your child! Using the exhibitions at the two art galleries in the Paul J. Schupf Art Center as inspiration, campers will create art using a variety of media. Visiting artists will be present during the week to provide fun workshops!



MAINE STUDENT FILM + VIDEO FESTIVAL

Deadline to enter: Thursday, June 15

Screening + Award Ceremony:

Saturday, July 15

Everyone has a story to tell. Enter your short film for the chance to win filmmaking gear like tripods and gimbals,

or a \$500 Grand Prize! All Maine Students K-12 are eligible to enter. Films will be judged by both age and genre: Narrative, Documentary, and Creative (animated, experimental, etc.). All you need a smartphone or video camera, and your creativity! MaineStudentFilm.org/Festival



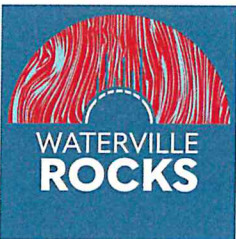
MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATRE CAMP (INCOMING GRADES 1-8)

Hercules: July 24–29

Rapunzel: July 31–August 5

Waterville Opera House + Studio 1902

Each week-long theatre camp session includes auditions and rehearsals providing campers with the opportunity to learn about the theatrical process. Camp concludes on Saturday afternoon with a fully realized performance, including scenery, costumes, and props.



WATERVILLE ROCKS

July 7, 8:45pm

July 21, July 28, August 4, 7pm

Head of Falls

Situated at the beautiful Head of Falls in downtown Waterville, *Waterville Rocks* is a family-friendly concert series hosted by the Waterville Opera House + sponsored by local businesses.



MINI CLAY CAMP (AGES 8-12)

August 14–16

9am–12pm; \$105

Ticonic Clay Studio

Due to popular demand, we added a mini clay camp this summer! Young artists and makers will learn basic clay techniques like wheel throwing, glazing, and hand-building. Clay, glaze, and firing included.

All events are eligible for Youth Arts Access Fund.
To register visit watervillecreates.org/events

Paul J. Schupf Art Center, 93 Main Street, Waterville, Maine 04901 207-873-7000



A GREAT DAY OF FUN, GAMES & NETWORKING!!

Business to Business
Showcase



An Event
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**Thursday, May 18, 2023
at Thomas College**



**Congratulations to the \$1000 CASH WINNER
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- Over 100 Exhibitor Booths
- Over 1,200 Attendees
- Businesses Hiring
- Free Admission
- Free Parking
- \$1,000 Door Prize Drawing
- Booth Prize Drawings
- Happy Hour Reception



**A huge thank you to
our sponsors for the 2023
B2B Showcase and to all
the staff and volunteers
who made it a success!**





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Keep the fun coming with business and fun, after hours!



Join us for our next Business After Hours:
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21 — 5:30 - 7 p.m.
Hosted by GHM Insurance
and held at
Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area
304 Main Street, Waterville
(additional parking at Children's Discovery across the street).

Great food - great drinks - great prizes - a place to meet great friends!

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Submit your 2024 BAH Application – Reserve a Spot Now!



Looking for a way to bring attention to your business in 2024?

Hosting a Mid-Maine Chamber Business After Hours event
should be one of your goals!

Be creative: if you don't have the space, or the budget, plan to partner with another
Chamber member business.

A Business After Hours event:

- Offers great exposure for your business
- Improves networking opportunities
- Makes your business top of mind with prospective customers
- Identifies you as a major participant among area businesses

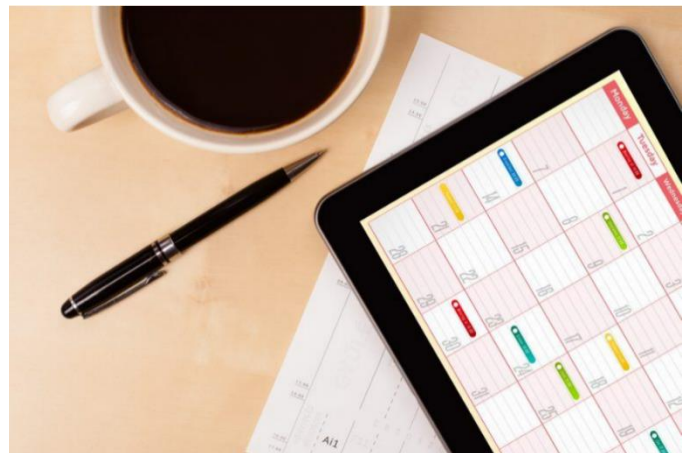
Complete your application now - slots will
fill up quickly!

Go to

[www.midmainechamber.com/Business
After Hours](http://www.midmainechamber.com/BusinessAfterHours) for the application form.

Please specify desired dates and submit prior to
September 15.

You will be contacted with an assigned date following the
BAH Committee meeting at the end of the month.



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For more details on this exciting
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Cindy Stevens, Program Director
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cindy@midmainechamber.com.



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