



Insider Newsletter

June 2018

Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce
KennebecValleyChamber.com

Upcoming Events June

- 06/05 **SBRT Workshop 1: Business Plan**
8:00 – 10:00 a.m.
@ Purdue University Global
- 06/12 **SBRT Workshop 2: Business Resiliency**
8:00 – 10:00 a.m.
@ Purdue University Global
- 06/12 KVCC Board of Directors
5:30 p.m.
- 06/13 **Whatever Family Festival Begins!**
- 06/13 **Women's Network Luncheon**
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
@ Senator Inn & Spa
- 06/20 **Chamber Connection**
7:30 - 9:00 a.m.
@ Senator Inn & Spa
- 06/26 **The Great Race**
3:00 - 10:00 p.m.
@ Downtown Gardiner
- 06/27 **Business After Hours**
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
@ Macomber, Farr & Whitten
- 06/30 **Kennebec River Day & Kennebec River Brewfest**
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
@Mill Park

July

- 07/09 **23rd Annual Golf Tournament**
10:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
@ Augusta Country Club
- 07/25 **Business After Hours**
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
@ Harlow Gallery

***Bolded items are open to the public**

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JUNE 13 - JULY 4

This three week long festival has events throughout the Kennebec Valley, from Gardiner to Winthrop and everywhere in between. The Whatever Family Festival is celebrating it's 41st Anniversary with new, exciting events! The Whatever Family Festival kicks off with the Blistered Fingers Bluegrass Festival in Litchfield and ends with fireworks on the 4th of July.

Featured Events

June 26, 2018 - Gardiner Main Street and the KV Chamber are proud to play as host city as the **2018 Hemmings Motor News Great Race presented by Hagerty** makes it way through Maine and has an overnight stop in Gardiner. The Great Race, the world's premiere classic car rally, will bring more than 100 antique automobiles to Historic Downtown Gardiner and the Waterfront Park.

June 30, 2018 - The KV Chamber's signature event, **Kennebec River Day**, will be held in Mill Park along the mighty Kennebec River from 11 am to 4 pm with activities for ALL AGES!

June 30, 2018 - The KV Chamber is excited to present the **Kennebec River Brewfest!** The Brewfest will feature over 10 Maine breweries and more than 30 different beers. Food vendors, live music, lawn games, and more will all be within an arms reach of the Kennebec River Brewfest as it takes place in the middle of the Kennebec River Day from 11 am to 4 pm. *Read more about the Whatever Family Festival on pages 4 and 5.*

Are you interested in volunteering?
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Women's Network

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**Anne Ball, Jan Kearce,
Sarah Curran, & Lisa Cooper Turner**
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June 13, 2018
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
The Senator Inn & Spa

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CHAMBER CONNECTION

SERIES 2018



Dr. Christopher Pezzullo
Chief Medical Officer, Maine Department of
Health and Human Services

**Maine's Approach to the Prevention of
Opioid Rx Overuse and Abuse**

June 20, 2018
7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

The Senator Inn & Spa

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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GOLF SCRAMBLE

Proceeds support United Way of Kennebec Valley

MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2018

Augusta Country Club

11 am lunch • Tee off at noon

Chance to win a Chevy Camaro for Hole-in-One
NEW Air Cannon Hole to win unlimited golf package

Win a Weber Gas Grill in Putting Contest

On the Green/Off the Green Contest

Top team prizes

Door prizes

Lunch & Awards Banquet included

Major sponsor opportunities still available!



United Way
of Kennebec Valley

Register at uwkv.org/golf

Contact: cyeager@uwkv.org
207-626-3400

Government Affairs Update

By Tim Walton, Walton External Affairs

Legislative Update: As previously reported, the Legislature returned to the Statehouse on May 2nd where they considered twenty Gubernatorial Vetoes. Of those, eleven were overridden and nine sustained. However, probably one of the most highly anticipated decisions of the day never happened. All eyes were on Augusta, as the news media, political pundits, special interest groups and curious citizens alike watched intently, waiting to hear when the lawmakers would come back to deal with the pending bills that remained. That decision never surfaced and thus, once again, they left the building with the timeline of their return still uncertain. Although nothing should be counted for certain at this point with regards to when a special session will be scheduled, or even if one will occur at all, the fact there are still a number of important bills left on the table lends to a strong likelihood the Legislature will return to the Capitol at some point to work these issues. Stay tuned.

Election 2018: If you are eligible and planning to vote in Maine's June 12th primary election, you will be casting your vote for candidates for the first time here in Maine using a new system called "Ranked-Choice-Voting". Although many of you have probably heard about this new voting process, you may still have questions or would like to learn more. That said, the Secretary of State has posted an informational page on its website, where you can learn more about the ranked-choice-voting process, including Frequently Asked Questions and sample ballots. Click here to go to that link: <http://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/upcoming/rcv.html>

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Host
Starting at 5:00pm



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June 27th, 2018

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Events starting at 11:00am



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JUNE 13 - JULY 4

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The Great Race, June 26, Downtown Gardiner

The Great Race is an antique, vintage, and collector car competitive controlled-speed endurance road rally on public highways with cars from 1972 and older. It is not a test of top speed. It is a test of a driver/navigator team's ability to follow precise course instructions and the car's (and team's) ability to endure on a cross-country trip.



Enter the FREE Raffle!
 Visit our website to submit your entry.
 Winner to be drawn June 15th!

Gardiner, Maine stop hosted by:



Schedule of Events:

2-9:00 pm	Food Trucks	5-7:00 pm	Great Race Cars arrive
3:00 pm	Parking Shuttle begins (Water Street Closed)	5:45-7:00 pm	Live Music – Spare Parts
3:00 pm	Classic Car Cruise-in at Waterfront Park	7:30-9:00 pm	Live Music – The Scott Davis Quintet
		9:00 pm	Fireworks
		10:00 pm	Parking Shuttle ends

Thank you to our major sponsors!



Kennebec River Day, June 30

Kennebec River Day is held at Mill Park along the mighty Kennebec River from 11 am to 4 pm with activities for ALL AGES! Activities include corn hole, disc golf, making slime, live historical reenactments, dunk tank, planting veggies, inflatable obstacle course, and much more! Craft vendors will also be in attendance selling hand crafted baskets, jewelry, and more!

B98.5 Stage
 11am-4pm Country Music

Family Fun Stage
 11am-12pm Karate Demonstrations
 12-1pm Peter and the Wolf dance
 1-2pm K-9 Demonstrations
 2-3pm Kids Zumba
 3-4pm Taiko Drummers

MIX 107.9 Stage
 11am-1pm Live Broadcasting
 1pm Air National Guard Band Of the Northeast

Kennebec River Brewfest, June 30



VIP TICKETS \$50 | \$55 at the door
 Souvenir Tasting Glass, Unlimited 4oz Tastings,
 Free T-shirt, Admission 11am-4pm

GENERAL ADMISSION \$20 | \$25 at the door
 Souvenir Tasting Glass, Six 4oz Tasting, Admission 12-4pm

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CHAMBER MEMBER NEWS

Bar Harbor Bank & Trust is pleased to announce the promotion of three employees. Susan Albee has been promoted to Assistant Vice President, Branch Relationship Manager in Machias. Andrew Somes has been promoted to Assistant Vice President, Branch Relationship Manager in Winter Harbor. Nichole Lee has been promoted to Brand Relationship Manager in South China.

Dennis Keller State Farm Agency is holding an open house on June 29th 11am-3pm to celebrate its opening at its new space at 38 Bangor Street. All are welcome to join for a cookout and ribbon cutting with giveaways and a raffle prize to share!

SCORE is pleased to announce a small business workshop for June 6th, 9:30am-12:00pm, presented by Oxford Hills and Augusta SCORE. In this workshop entitled "Creating Powerful Video Content for Social Media," Social Media Strategist Abbie McGilvery of From The Nest will show you the basic guidelines of video creation for social media channels including "best practices" for Facebook (including Facebook Live), Instagram, and YouTube. For more information, contact Tiffany Payton, Oxford Hills SCORE, (207) 743-0499.

United Way of Kennebec Valley recently named Chris Russell and his daughter Gabby as its next campaign chairs, who will lead the organization's 2018 fundraising efforts. Chris, project manager/supervisor at G&E Roofing and a longtime United Way board member, along with eight-year-old Gabby, will play a key role in mobilizing the caring power of Kennebec Valley people to fund community needs. As part of its annual initiative, United Way workplace campaigns engage more than 125 local businesses each year, representing about 3,000 donors. Last year, donations to United Way totaled more than \$1.66 million and assisted more than 20,000 people.

To submit Member News, send your press release to:
info@KennebecValleyChamber.com

SIGN YOUR TEAM UP NOW!

KLI Golf Tournament

July 9, 2018
 10 AM Shotgun
 Augusta Country Club



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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



The mission of the Johnson Hall Performing Arts Center is to promote, create and inspire artistic excellence through the presentation of world-class entertainment and professional performing arts education and to drive cultural and economic growth for our community.

Johnson Hall is the oldest operating theater in the State of Maine, with over 50 performances and activities annually in the 117-seat theater. Along with its performances, Johnson Hall is working to renovate the 2nd & 3rd floor of the historic opera house, built in 1864. To date,

Johnson Hall has successfully raised 58% of the \$4.8 million needed to complete the renovation.

There is so much going on this summer! Don't miss out on the fun activities and events planned this summer, like Johnson Hall's FREE Waterfront Concerts on the Gardiner Waterfront that run each Friday night June 22nd – August 24th or the SPARK Theater Camp for kids, July 9 – August 16th.

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The KV Chamber exists to enhance life quality by strengthening our regional economy.

BUSINESS after HOURS

Join us at Macomber, Farr & Whitten!



Macomber, Farr & Whitten will host the Business After Hours on Wednesday, **June 27th** from **5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** in Chelsea. KV Chamber members and guests are welcome to join us for networking and great food!

Every Business After Hours is an incredible opportunity to win amazing door prizes and take part in the 50/50 raffle. Delicious hors d'oeuvres will be available and guests are welcome to partake in the cash bar.

Be sure to bring a large stack of business cards to share with your new business contacts!

1 Market Square, Augusta

To RSVP call 623-4559 or
Email info@kennebecvalleychamber.com

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