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Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument

President Obama signed an executive order on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 creating the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. Roxanne Quimbly, co-owner of Burt's Bees transferred 87,563 acres of land adjacent to Baxter State Park to the U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service. This is the 25th executive order that President Obama has issued to create a monument since 2011. The donated land is a monument, and not a national park, since presidents can create monuments by signing an executive order, but only Congress can create national parks.

Located east of Baxter State Park, the monument is expected to increase employment in the Katahdin region, where two paper mills have closed down since 2008. The closures represent a direct loss of about 430 manufacturing jobs.

Not everyone was pleased with the announcement. Republicans U.S. Sen. Susan Collins, U.S. Rep. Bruce Poliquin and Gov. Paul LePage all opposed the creation of the national monument. Representatives of the forest industry also were in opposition citing that a national monument could mean new air pollution controls for wood and paper mills in the area. U.S. Sen. Angus King however is of the opinion that the benefits of the designation will far outweigh any detriment.

The Katahdin Woods and Water National Monument will hold a series of community listening sessions starting September 15, 2016. The sessions are an opportunity for citizens in the communities surrounding the monument to work with the National Parks Service and help shape a management planning process for the new public lands. The National Park Service hope to complete the management plan within the next three years. The plan will establish the vision for the public lands and guide the direction of the future work and activities. For more information, contact Christina Marts, Community Planner at [Christina Marts@nps.gov](mailto:Christina.Marts@nps.gov); or (207) 456-6001.

The Challenge of Comprehensive Planning in Maine

Two sessions on comprehensive plans were presented at Maine Association of Planners' (MAP) May 20, 2016 Annual Meeting and Conference in Waterville.

Our intention was to follow up and expand on a recent Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association (NNECAPA) session, in which the highest quality comprehensive plan ("comp plan") adoption and implementation efforts by the City of Burlington, VT provided the headliner. Reflecting on their own cash strapped towns and cities, several Maine planners told us, in effect, "This ain't Burlington!" While the sophistication and finish detail of that award-winning comp plan may provide inspiration to planners in some of Maine's larger communities, other MAP members related to us their experiences in small communities as state and local resources for comp planning have dwindled.

Questions Presented: How does the value of comprehensive planning or the meaning of informed growth translate in a community with very tightly constrained human and financial resources? If a local comp plan has been adopted is the community able to implement the plan? What strategies are working? What changes are needed?

A morning session featured some lively debate on the relative utility of tools available for the implementation of comp plans. Panelists included municipal and regional planners as well as representatives from the consultant and former state planning ranks. An experienced planner in the audience offered the following unabashed praise: "This is the most refreshing discussion on

comprehensive planning that I have heard in years." Thank you--it's an acquired taste!

One particularly interesting exchange made me wonder if a personality test is not at the heart of debates over statutory requirements for local comp plans, as provided for in Chapter 187 of the Growth Management Act and the related Comprehensive Plan Review Criteria Rule that is the measuring stick used by the Municipal Planning Assistance Program ("MPAP") in assessing completeness and of comp plans and consistency with the Act.

Two planners told the audience that the best practice in many cases may be to "ignore the statute," but it was quickly revealed they themselves had done so in very different ways. The first planner had set aside time over the course of a few weeks to "fill in the blanks," such as demographic information, required for a finding of consistency with the Act by the MPAP--using the data, materials and technical assistance provided for free by MPAP. The second had spent years sometimes fighting and sometimes literally ignoring the requirements and challenged the logic of requiring time-sensitive demographic information in a work product intended to last 10-12 years at a minimum.

The first planner's community had clearly benefitted by the completion of a comp plan and the updated finding of consistency, including enhanced eligibility for funding assistance on grant projects. The second planner, however, had at least equaled the output of any Maine municipality over the same time period in the implementation of the "unfinished" local comp plan,

attracting new employers and outside funds for large infrastructure projects without wrapping up those last few pesky chapters of the local comp plan. Underpinning exchanges like these was an informative discussion and it is my hope and expectation that many of us left the room with a better understanding of what success might look like in future amendments to the Growth Management Act or in other changes to put comp planning on surer footing in Maine.

A third planner noted how helpful it had been for her to marshal that same statutory requirement for the inclusion of exhaustive demographic detail in comp plans. In her community, it seems, the presence of those experiencing persistent poverty might otherwise have been edited out of the plan.

The afternoon session featured an example of a community mustering innovation and resources for a comp planning effort that might turn heads even in the Green Mountain State. And that would be Maine's own City of Lewiston, with its relatively large and extraordinarily diverse population, a budget of approximately \$80,000 and the graphic design expertise of consulting firm [Town Planning & Urban Design Collaborative \(TPUDC\)](#), the same group hired to prepare Burlington's comp plan. The comp plan that is nearing completion in Lewiston (and eventual adoption by the City Council, hopefully) could provide new benchmark in the level of public participation in the drafting of a comp plan and accessibility of the finished product.

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What is unique about the plan itself is the crisp graphical presentation of data and the prevalence of “plain English” throughout the text. The very readability of the document has brought about new challenges. An unusually large number of volunteer board members, business owners and residents are actually reading it! There has been a prolonged and steady flow of public comment on the comp plan, making it difficult to round up and synthesize so many contributions.

Another feature of the Lewiston comp plan process, as described by City Planner Dave Hediger, was a well-run, well-attended series of charrettes for residents and others who feel a connection to the City. Each full-day event focused on a specific theme and provided many open time blocks for participants to drop in and have their say. More information on the Lewiston Comprehensive Plan: <http://www.lewistonmaine.gov/index.aspx?nid=603>.

Judy East, Executive Director of the Washington County Council of Governments (WCCOG), provided a perfect counterpoint to the report from Lewiston. She has created and is effectively marketing a suite of web-based, customized mapping tools for use by the many small, understaffed communities in their region. Judy was quick to credit Tora Johnson of the University of Maine at Machias for the GIS backbone of the site and funding assistance provided through GROWashington-Aroostook, a regional planning project. Please check out WCCOG’s online mapping module here: www.wccog.net/local-comprehensive-planning.htm.

Judy’s presentation was also notable for the bumper crop of grants she and Planner Crystal Hitchings have brought in for

current projects. Sources of funds include the Brownfields program, the Genesis Foundation and even the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP). Who knew that AARP funds a grant program that can be used to support local comp plan efforts? It took someone like Judy to figure that out!

Phil Carey, Interim Director of the MPAP also joined the afternoon panel. Phil provided an up-to-date rundown of the comp planning tools MPAP maintains as well as examples of state-administered funding assistance for which the rules and eligibility requirements provide incentives for creating and updating local comp plans current. Phil also provided a reminder that access to resource packets for comp planning projects is provided on MPAP’s site: http://www.maine.gov/dacf/municipalplanning/comp_plans/planning_data.shtml.

--James P. Francomano,
Planning & Development
Director, Town of Rockport

Bytes ‘N Pieces

Anne Ball was hired by Maine Development Foundation as interim Program Director for the Maine Downtown Center replacing **Lorain Francis**, the Senior Program Manager for Maine Development Foundation and Maine Downtown Center. Ball has been serving as consultant to Maine Downtown Center since 2012. Her responsibilities as interim Program Director involves strategic planning and extensive outreach and technical assistance to communities.

Diane Gove retired in July, 2016 after 16 years as Aroostook County’s Administration Assistance. Previous to her county services, Gove worked in a

number of positions for the City of Caribou for 20 years. She was replaced with **Sherrill Campbell**. Campbell worked for 17 years in the Caribou education system.

The Town of Hermon hired **Howard Kroll** as its Town Manager. Kroll served in numerous administrative positions in Auburn since 2012 and was named interim Auburn Manager in 2014 and later as City Manager. Kroll was also a former manager for the Towns of St. Agatha and Milbridge.

Lisbon Police Chief **David Brooks** retired in June ending a 42-year career with the same department. Brooks was believed to be the youngest police chief in Maine at age 26, at the time of his promotion, 36 years ago. Brooks said he loved his work and will miss it.

Congratulations MCDA Member Communities and Other Maine Communities!

The Federal Emergency Management Agency, under its Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, awarded five Maine Fire Departments federal funds for new breather apparatus.



The five Fire Departments included –

- Caribou \$253,000
- Fort Kent \$122,000
- Dixfield \$ 89,000
- Farmingdale \$ 69,000
- Aurora \$ 19,000

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Part-Time Grant Writer: Town of Bridgton is seeking to fill a newly created part-time position in the Planning and Economic and Community Development Departments. The position title is Grant Writer and is a 20-hour per week position without benefits. The Grant Writer is responsible for overseeing all aspects of grant funding for the town and requires organizational and creative skills. A full job description with required qualifications is available on the town website at www.bridgtonmaine.org. Applications shall be accompanied by a cover letter, résumé, at least three professional references, and a writing sample. Applications must be submitted by 3:00 p.m. on September 29, 2016.

Library Director: The City of Caribou seeks a new Director of the Caribou Public Library. The new director will lead the library in continuing to be a dynamic 21st Century Library and realizing the library's great potential. Qualifications: Master's degree in Library and Information Science from an ALA-accredited program preferred. Bachelor's degree in Library and Information Science or related required. Minimum of 3-5 years of library experience with demonstrated knowledge of public library administration and managerial experience. An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered. The candidate must have a good understanding of contemporary library technologies including integrated library system management.

To apply please submit a cover letter, resume, and completed employment application to Jim Chandler, Assistant City Manager, 25 High St, Caribou, ME 04736 or via email to jchandler@cariboumaine.org. Position is open until filled with first review of applications happening on September 12, 2016.

City Manager: The City of Auburn seeks a respected leader and manager who is well-versed in finance and budgeting, economic and community development and who will work

collaboratively with City staff, the elected City Council and Mayor, the School Department and other City stakeholders to provide leadership to the City for the future. The selected individual should be objective, consistent and be a progressive and transparent City Manager. The City Manager is selected by and reports to a seven-member, non-partisan City Council and Mayor. The City Manager is responsible for the administration of all departments of the City Government except for the Auburn school system. Deadline for receipt of applications in the office is Friday, September 16, 2016 by 5:00 p.m. Send résumé and cover letter with salary requirements by email

to PersonnelServices@memun.org or by fax to (207) 624-0118 or mail to: Director of Personnel Services, Maine Municipal Association, 60 Community Drive, Augusta, ME 04330

City Manager: The City of South Portland is accepting applications for the position of City Manager. South Portland operates under the Council-Manager form of government. The FY17 operating budget is \$35.1 million, excluding schools, and the city has a total of 296 full and part time municipal employees. The Council is seeking candidates with a minimum of 7 years of demonstrated municipal management experience as a Manager, or similar related public/private business experience. Knowledge and experience in the areas of economic development, comprehensive planning, finance, budgeting, labor relations, policy management, and environmental and sustainability issues are desired.

Applicants will possess a minimum of a Bachelor's degree in Public Administration, or closely related field, with a Master's degree preferred.

Salary will be determined based on experience and qualifications for the position. Submit cover letter, resume, salary requirements and five (5) professional references by September 21, 2016 to South Portland City Manager Search, Eaton Peabody Consulting Group, Attention: Richard Metivier, 77 Sewall Street, Suite 3000,

Augusta, ME 04330. E-Mail: rmetivier@eatonpeabody.com. Telephone 207-622-9820.

Town Manager: The Town of Cavendish, Vermont, seeks an engaging, collaborative, and experienced town manager. Cavendish has a population of 1,367 and is a quiet, rural community with beautiful mountain views. The town manager reports to Cavendish's five-member selectboard and is responsible for the town's daily operations. The manager directly supervises approximately 25 full- and part-time employees, administers a municipal budget of \$1,365,000 and utility budgets of \$360,000, and oversees all financial, public works, public safety, personnel, economic development, recreation, and community relations matters for the town. A detailed job description is posted at <http://cavendishvt.org/adsreqsforproposals.html>

Salary range is \$65,000 to \$85,000, commensurate with experience and education, and includes an excellent benefits package. Requirements include a Bachelor's degree in a relevant field, at least 3 – 5 years of management experience, preferably in municipal government, and substantial knowledge of municipal government operations, the duties of municipal officials, and state and federal law provisions affecting municipalities. To apply, please email a cover letter, resume, and contact information with three references by Monday, September 19, 2016, to municipal.recruitment@vlct.org with "Cavendish Town Manager" as the subject line. Alternatively, you may send the application materials to Municipal Assistance Center, Vermont League of Cities and Towns, 89 Main Street, Suite 4, Montpelier, VT 05602-2948.

RFP = Development of a Broadband Strategy, Solution and Business Plan: The City of Caribou is soliciting proposals from qualified firms

to determine need, feasibility and justification for providing affordable broadband high-speed fiber infrastructure to business and residents with a minimum symmetrical speed of 100 megabits per second, but preferably 1 gigabit per second. This project will result in the production of a Broadband Business Plan containing a strategies and solutions, preliminary engineering and construction cost estimates, organizational and operational recommendations for future network implementation projects, and funding strategies for potential projects. The desired outcome of this planning effort is to provide a tool for the City to implement an installation plan to serve the City with fiber, connect businesses, and implement fiber to the homes (FTTH). This can be done as a single-phase rollout or in multiple phases, and the assessment should address this issue. If there is new or emerging technology such as wireless technology that can provide the same end result that should be a part of the recommendations. The City, specifically, has an interest in making high-speed fiber internet service available to all residents and businesses at an affordable price.

All proposals are due 2:00 p.m. local time on September 23, 2016. Four (4) hard copies and one (1) complete electronic version are required. Faxed proposals will not be accepted. Vendors assume the risk of the methods of dispatch or delivery chosen. Office hours for receipt of mailed or expressed proposals are: Monday through Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm (EDT). The full RFP can be found on our website at www.cariboumaine.org/BroadbandRFP.html

RFP – Housing Study Consultant:

The City of Hallowell seeks proposals from qualified individuals or firms to provide a housing market survey and study. Services include but are not limited to preparation and timely

delivery of a market survey for potential housing demand, a market study for tax credit rental housing, and consulting to the Hallowell Planning Board, City Council, and relevant committees as needed. Sealed proposals should be addressed to Nate Rudy, City of Hallowell, 1 Winthrop Street, Hallowell, ME 04347 and received prior to 4:00 PM on September 21, 2016. Your package should be clearly marked "Attn: Housing Study Consultant RFP". The City of Hallowell reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Please feel free to call (207) 623-4021 ext. 203 or email citymanager@hallowellmaine.org with any questions or requests for information. Full RFP is available at: http://www.hallowell.govoffice.com/ind ex.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={29FB6911-FC95-4DF3-945D-5C9B4CD99754}&DE={8DA05CBD-C538-4E6D-8343-37D09210466F}

Code Enforcement Officer-LPI:

The Town of Limestone is seeking qualified candidates to serve as Code Enforcement Officer and Local Plumbing Inspector (LPI). These are position defined in State law for municipalities and require State certification in the two areas of expertise. Experience and certification as a Code Enforcement Officer and/or LPI in Maine and/or one with building trades, surveying, engineering/design, plumbing/septic, or related experience, preferred. Ability to pass all of the State tests and requirements required within the given time frame of State requirements. This will be either a part-time, call-in/as-needed, or contracted position. A Cover letter, resume, and at least three work-related references can be submitted via postal mail, email, or dropped off in person at/to: Town Manager, Limestone Town Office Building, 93 Main Street, Limestone, ME 04750; tmanager@limestonemaine.org; (207) 325-3330 (fax), 325-4704 (voice). Position is opened until filled.

Congratulations

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announced the award of \$7.1 million to five Maine airports for improvements of operations and facilities. Awards were made to:



- ✈ Bangor International Airport (\$900,000 to finance modifications to passenger terminals)
- ✈ Sugarloaf Regional Airport (\$298,000 to build a self-service fuel station)
- ✈ Auburn/Lewiston Municipal Airport (\$298,000 to expand and improve terminals)
- ✈ Machias Valley Airport (\$150,000 to fund replacement of the airport beacon and wind cone)
- ✈ Newton Field (\$92,000 to finance a survey about whether a navigational approach should be installed)

Upcoming Events

Date	Description	Location
September 20, 2016	Public Hearing – Draft Annual PHA Plan for Housing Choice Voucher Program	Maine State Housing Authority 353 Water Street, Augusta, ME
September 30, 2016	Recreational Trails Program Application Deadline	
October 5 and 6, 2016	MMA Convention	Cross Center Bangor, ME
October 25, 2016	Bringing Broadband to Rural Maine: Insight from National Success Stories	Maple Hill Farm Hallowell
November 27, 2016	Showcase Maine 2016 Financial Authority of Maine	Holiday Inn by the Bay Portland, ME
November 29, 2016	Grant Writing for Municipal Programs and Projects	Maine Municipal Association Augusta, ME

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Future Cities Accelerator Opportunity

Details [here](#).

Applications due September 25, 2016

The Future Cities Accelerator exists for one reason: to solve the challenges faced by poor or vulnerable populations living in U.S. cities. We're looking for 10 early-stage organizations (for-profit or non-profit) who are likely to benefit over 1 million poor or vulnerable people in U.S. cities. If you're one of them, we'll give you \$100,000 in grant funding + 9 months of intensive support.

Training and Technical Assistance to Improve Water Quality and Enable Small Public Water Systems to Provide Safe Drinking Water

Details [here](#).

Announcement Number: EPA-OW-OGWDW-16-02

Closing Date: September 30, 2016

Funding amount: Award Ceiling: \$8,005,000; Award Floor: \$0

More information [here](#).

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is soliciting applications from eligible applicants to provide training and technical assistance for small public water systems to help such systems achieve and maintain compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act, and to provide training and technical assistance for small publicly owned wastewater systems, communities served by onsite/decentralized wastewater systems, and private well owners to improve water quality under the Clean Water Act. Training and technical assistance activities provided to these systems, communities and private well owners should be made available nationally in rural and urban communities and to personnel of tribally-owned and operated systems.

Transit-Oriented Development technical assistance, Federal Transit Administration with Smart Growth America

Details [here](#)

Applications due October 7, 2016

Each year, the Federal Transit Administration in partnership with Smart Growth America offers free technical assistance to communities to develop tools, guidance, and other resources for enhancing transit-oriented development (TOD) within transit corridors or around a public transportation station, and in economically distressed communities. **The second round of our free technical assistance is now open.** Requests may be submitted until Friday, October 7, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. EDT. Any unit or subdivision of state, regional, local, or tribal governments with an active federally funded transit capital project are eligible to apply.

\$5 million Knight Cities Challenge to open for ideas Oct. 10

Details [here](#).

Applications due November, 3, 2016

This fall we're opening the next Knight Cities Challenge to offer \$5 million in grant funding for your best ideas to make the [26 Knight communities](#) more successful. The challenge will open Monday, Oct. 10, and close Thursday, Nov. 3, at [knightcities.org](#). We will announce the winners in spring 2017. We're looking for new ideas that can make impact in

NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

(Madawaska) – After months of planning and research, the Madawaska Board of Selectpersons voted unanimously on August 29, 2016 not to pursue with drafting a policy to randomly drug test applicants for general assistance. The Maine Equal Justice Partners and the Maine American Civil Liberties Union urged the town to reconsider the drug screening plan because the town would be subject to legal action, citing violations of constitutional rights. The Town Manager, Ryan Pelletier, also recommended to the Board not to move forward with the policy because it would “be problematic, if not impossible to enforce and administer”.

If adopted, Maine would have become the first town in Maine to require drug testing for those who seek municipal assistance.

(Bangor) - Bangor plans to offer free, high-speed internet service to families living in the city’s poorest neighborhood, where students may not have internet access at home. The Capehart project will cost \$28,000, officials said, and will be paid for with Community Development Block Grant funds. An additional \$6,000 is needed to run the network. Municipal and school officials hope the service will help students keep up with others from wealthier families. Only computers and other technology devices provided by the neighborhood school will have access to the internet. The free service should be ready for the start of the school year this fall. The city considers the Capehart project a pilot program that, if successful, could lead to more internet service in other areas of Bangor.

(Caribou) - City officials are working with tech giant Google to help small businesses get more exposure and sales by putting city companies “on the map.” According to Google officials, only 37 percent of U.S. businesses are listed on a search engine. The city planned to hold an interactive workshop this month to show business owners how they can get on search engines and ways to boost their position on them. Four out of five people use the internet to find local businesses.

(Rockland) – In July, the Rockland City Council approved three bonds totaling \$14 million for sewer, roads, and library projects. Voters will be asked to approve the bond in November. The largest proposal is to spend \$10 million upgrading the wastewater treatment plant.



BROWNFIELDS –

Sixteen Maine municipalities and quasi-municipal organizations were awarded \$7.3 million in brownfields grant funds from the federal Environmental Protection Agency. The funds will be used, in part, to assess and clean-up polluted sites for future economic investment.

- ⚠ Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission - \$820,000 for a revolving loan fund and \$300,000 for site assessment
- ⚠ City of Portland - \$820,000 for a revolving loan fund
- ⚠ Midcoast Economic Development District - \$820,000 for revolving loans
- ⚠ Town of Berwick - \$600,000 for clean-up of one specific site and
- ⚠ Seven other communities received \$400,000 each for site assessments.

three areas that are crucial to building more successful cities- attracting and retaining talent, increasing economic opportunity and promoting civic engagement. You don’t need to be from a Knight city to apply, but your project must take place in a Knight community, one of 26 places where the Knight brothers once owned newspapers.

Culture of Health Prize, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Details [here](#).
2016

Prize amount: \$25,000

Applications due November 03,

The RWJF Culture of Health Prize recognizes communities that have placed a priority on health and are creating powerful partnerships and deep commitments that will enable everyone, especially those facing the greatest challenges, with the opportunity to live well. A Culture of Health recognizes that health and wellbeing are greatly influenced by where we live, work, the safety of our surroundings, and the relationships we have in our families and communities. The Prize elevates the compelling stories of local leaders and community members who are coming together to create conditions for health and prosperity by transforming neighborhoods, schools, and businesses so that good health flourishes everywhere.

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ABOUT MCDA

MCDA's Purpose

TO PROVIDE FORUMS TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND FOSTER COMMUNICATION RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AND CONCERNS, AND TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING THROUGH WORKSHOPS.

MCDA Meetings

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION TAKES PLACE AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION. FOUR (4) REGULAR MEETINGS FOR THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AND THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ARE HELD ANNUALLY THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MAINE. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT OR MAJORITY OF OFFICERS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS.

MCDA Newsletters

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERS HIGHLIGHTING COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARTICLES OF SPECIAL INTEREST THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF MAINE ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP.

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Links to Funding and Business Agencies

MCDA's ability to network with multiple partners

Who's Invited to Join????

ANY PERSON, MUNICIPALITY, OR FIRM EMPLOYED BY OR INTERESTED IN ECONOMIC AND/OR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

THE COMPOSITION OF MCDA'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND CURRENT MEMBERSHIP OFFERS NEW MEMBERS AN EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE BASE OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND AVAILABLE FINANCIAL RESOURCES. THE TENURE AND EXPERIENCE OF THIS ASSOCIATION CAN PROVIDE NEW MEMBERS WITH A MULTIPLE RESOURCE BASE ON A VARIETY OF PROPOSED PROJECTS IN YOUR COMMUNITY. I AM/AM NOT INTERESTED IN SERVING ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

- ✓ ADVOCACY
- ✓ COMMUNICATIONS
- ✓ FINANCE
- ✓ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- ✓ MEMBERSHIP
- ✓ OFFICER/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DID YOU KNOW!!!

Thirteen 2016 Scholarship Recipients

Wright-Pierce is pleased to announce the thirteen 2016 recipients of the company's Student Scholarship program. This year's recipients, students of Wright-Pierce engineers and support staff are: Matthew Atherton, Megan Hallowell, Alex Williamson, Jocelyn Davee, Eliza Balch, Alexander Olson, Erin Olson, Abigail Pearce, Emma Soucek, Lucy Soucek, Julia Wainwright, Hannah Peters and Madeline Wiegman.

The Wright-Pierce Student Scholarship program was initiated 54 years ago to honor the sons and daughters of Wright-Pierce employees for academic achievement. Since 1962, the scholarships have been awarded to more than 275 students. Wright-Pierce views the scholarship program as a way to acknowledge the importance of higher education by rewarding students who have completed at least their first year of college. John Braccio, PE, President and CEO, is proud of the company's long standing student scholarship tradition, "We are a company that values education, and our employees, so the scholarship program has always felt like a natural way to support both." –



The Town of Guilford

celebrated its bicentennial on Saturday, July 30, 2016. This year's Piscataquis River Festival was well attended for the town's bicentennial celebration with children's fun run activities, 5k road race, food and craft vendors, bicentennial parade, pie

Eating contest, duck race, fireworks, and many more activities. Congratulations, Guilford!

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2016 MCDA MEETING CALENDAR

January 2016							February 2016							March 2016						
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