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3rd place  
winners  
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**Welcome to our First Annual Best of the Best Reader's Choice Awards section.**



**W**e would like to congratulate all of the area businesses who are recognized as first, second and third place finishers in our approximately 70 categories. And special thanks to our readers who took the time to complete our ballots, published in the Morning Sentinel and on centralmaine.com. Your votes made it possible for us to feature the businesses whose services you enjoy in this special format.

What better recognition for a business than to be nominated as the Best of the Best for their particular category? It is truly special for customers to take the time to complete a nomination – a chance to thank the multiple businesses they come in contact with on a daily basis – truly our **reader's** choices.

Once the ballots were tabulated, we determined the three top finishers in each category, to be featured in this Best of the Best Results Section. First place finishers will receive a plaque and participate in a Best of the Best Reception. Second and third place businesses will receive a certificate of recognition.

Please take the time to review your selections, and to read the ads that some of the businesses have placed, thanking you for your confidence in them. The central Maine area is fortunate to have some of the finest businesses and service providers in the State. And, while this section does not cover all of the possible categories, we've certainly addressed quite a few.

In April, we will roll out the same balloting process in the Augusta area, with a ballot section inserted in the Kennebec Journal and included on centralmaine.com. Once again, readers will be invited to vote for their favorites in each category. Then, in June, we will publish a Results section similar to this one, with the selections in our Kennebec Journal towns.

We would also like to sincerely thank our Chamber of Commerce partners for their assistance in getting the word out and promoting our balloting process. Special thanks go to the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, the Skowhegan Chamber of Commerce, and the Franklin County Area Chamber of Commerce.

Please be sure to watch for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Best of the Best Ballot Section appearing in the Morning Sentinel and online in October, 2018.

Our sincere appreciation to our business partners, and to our readers for your participation.

Best,  
*Cindy Stevens*

*Regional Advertising Director,  
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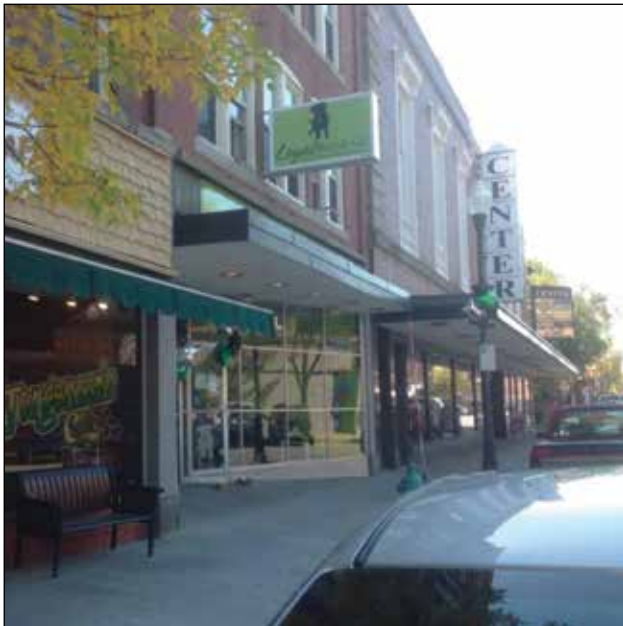
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Loyal Biscuit in downtown Waterville.

### PET SUPPLIES/STORE

- 1-Loyal Biscuit, Waterville
- 2-Pet Connection, Skowhegan
- 3-Muddy Paw, Winslow



Hometown Vet in Fairfield.

### VETERINARY CLINIC

- 1-Hometown Veterinary Care, Fairfield
- 2-Animal Medical Clinic, Skowhegan
- 3-Madison Animal Clinic, Madison



Fairfield Antiques Mall in Fairfield.

### ANTIQUES SHOP

- 1-Fairfield Antiques Mall, Fairfield
- 2-Hilltop Antiques, Skowhegan
- 3-Hathaway Mill Antiques, Waterville



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T&B's Celebration Center in Skowhegan.

### CONFERENCE/EVENT CENTER

- 1-T & B's Celebration Center, Skowhegan
- 2-Waterville Opera House, Waterville
- 3-Best Western Plus Hotel, Waterville

## CENTRAL MAINE MOTORS AUTO GROUP

Waterville, Maine

Central Maine Motors Auto Group in Waterville

### AUTOMOBILE DEALERSHIP

- 1-Central Maine Motors Auto Group, Waterville
- 2-Hight Chevrolet Buick GMC, Skowhegan
- 3-Thompson VW-Audi-Mazda, Waterville



J&S Car Wash in Waterville.

### AUTO PARTS - SERVICE - TOWING - CAR WASH

- 1-J&S Oil Inc. Car Wash & Express Lube, Waterville
- 2-Rinaldi & Sons Auto Repair, Skowhegan
- 3-Motor Supply, Skowhegan-Waterville

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Key Appliance in Skowhegan.



Bangor Savings Bank in Winslow, Waterville, Madison and Skowhegan.

### APPLIANCE STORE

- 1-Key Appliance, Skowhegan
- 2-Fortin's Home Furnishings, Winslow
- 3-Batey's TV & Appliance, Fairfield

### ACCOUNTING FIRM/FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

- 1-John Jordan, CPA, Skowhegan
- 2-Nicholson, Michaud & Company, Waterville
- 3-PFBF, CPA's, Oakland

### BANK

- 1-Bangor Savings Bank, Winslow, Waterville, Madison, Skowhegan
- 1-Skowhegan Savings Bank, Fairfield, Skowhegan
- 2-Kennebec Savings Bank, Waterville
- 3-Kennebec Federal Savings Bank, Waterville

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Maine State Credit Union in Waterville.



Computer Improvements, Skowhegan, owner, Mark Leblanc with his step-daughter Amanda White.

### CREDIT UNION

- 1-Maine State Credit Union, Waterville
- 2-Franklin-Somerset Federal Credit Union, Skowhegan, Farmington
- 2-New Dimensions Credit Union, Waterville
- 3-Winslow Community Federal Credit Union, Winslow

### CARPENTER/HOME BUILDER/CONTRACTOR

- 1-Lyons Carpentry, Sidney
- 2-G.V. Builder, Winslow
- 3-Fairfield Drafting, Fairfield
- 3-Dubois & Sons, Skowhegan

### COMPUTER SALES AND SERVICE

- 1-Computer Improvements, Skowhegan
- 2-Virtual Dimensions, Fairfield
- 3-Snow Pond Technologies, Oakland



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Kennebec Valley Community College in Hinkley.



H.T. Winters Flooring in Winslow.



Boynton's Greenhouse in Skowhegan.

## EDUCATION INSTITUTION

- 1-Kennebec Valley Community College, Fairfield, Hinkley
- 2-Thomas College, Waterville
- 3-Colby College, Waterville

## FLOORING STORE

- 1-H.T. Winters Flooring, Winslow
- 2-Floor Masters North, Skowhegan
- 3-Joseph's Flooring, Winslow

## FLORIST/GREENHOUSE/ GARDENING

- 1-Boynton's Greenhouse, Skowhegan
- 2-Skowhegan Fleuriste, Skowhegan
- 3-Sunset Greenhouse, Fairfield

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Fortin's Home Furnishings in Winslow.



Central Maine Disposal, Fairfield.



Sherwin-Williams Paint Store in Waterville.

### FURNITURE/MATTRESS STORE

- 1-Fortin's Home Furnishings, Winslow
- 2-Northern Mattress & Furniture, Waterville
- 3-Marden's Surplus & Salvage, Waterville
- 3-Oakland Furniture, Oakland

### GARBAGE/DISPOSAL SERVICE

- 1-Central Maine Disposal, Fairfield
- 2-Gregory's Disposal, Fairfield
- 3-Bolster's Rubbish Removal, Burnham

### HARDWARE/PAINT STORE

- 1-Sherwin-Williams, Waterville
- 2-Quinn Hardware, Skowhegan
- 3-Aubuchon Hardware, Waterville

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Advance 1 Cleaning in Waterville.

## HOME MAINTENANCE/ CLEANING

- 1-Advance 1 Cleaning, Waterville
- 2-Hurricane Cleaners, Skowhegan
- 3-Crosby's Cleaning Service, Skowhegan



Bob's Cash Fuel in Madison.

## HOME HEATING FUEL AND SUPPLIES

- 1-Bob's Cash Fuel, Madison
- 2-S & K Heating, Skowhegan
- 3-Dead River Company, Waterville



Seacoast Security in Waterville.

## HOME SECURITY

- 1-Seacoast Security, Waterville
- 2-Cayer Security, Waterville



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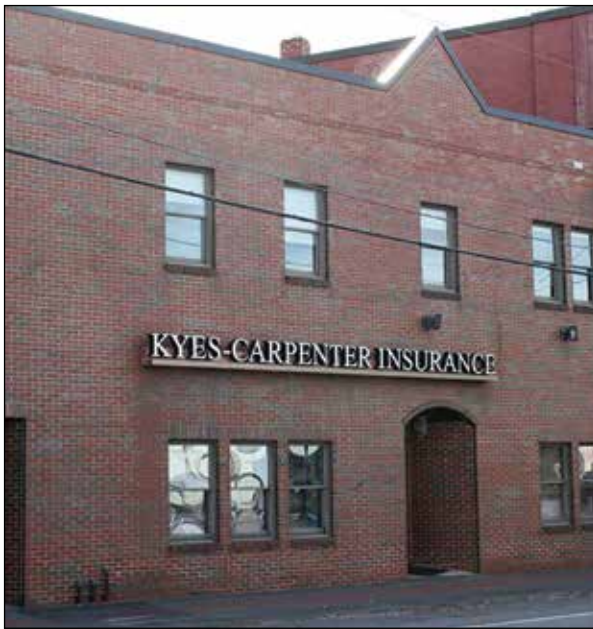
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Kyes-Carpenter Insurance in Skowhegan.

### INSURANCE AGENCY

- 1-Kyes-Carpenter Insurance, Skowhegan
- 2-GHM Insurance, Waterville
- 3-State Farm - Darrell Tudela, Winslow



O'Donnell Lee office in Waterville.

### LAW FIRM

- 1- O'Donnell Lee, P.A., Waterville
- 2-Law Offices of Rebecca Cayford, Skowhegan
- 3-Marden, Dubord, Bernier & Stevens, Waterville
- 3-Mills, Shay, Lexier & Talbot, Skowhegan
- 3-Jabar, Laliberty & Dubord, LLC, Waterville



Hamlin's Marine in Waterville.

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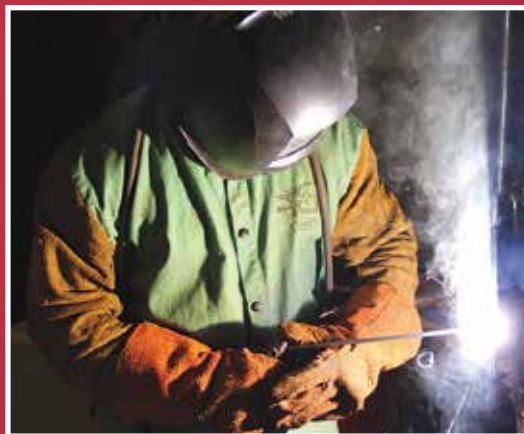
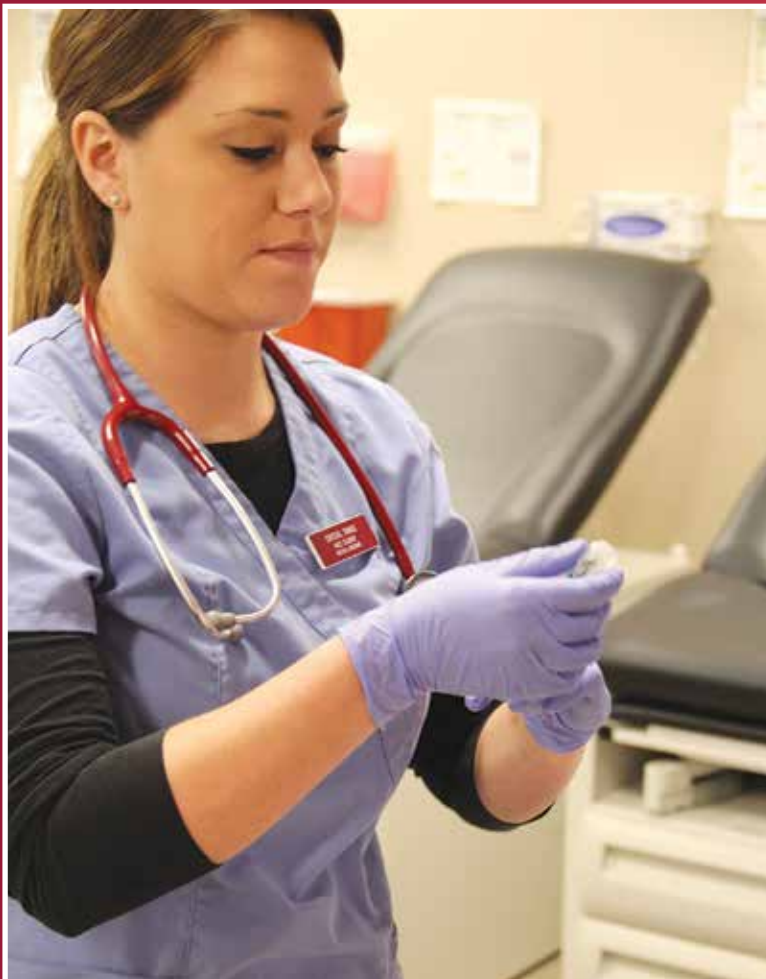
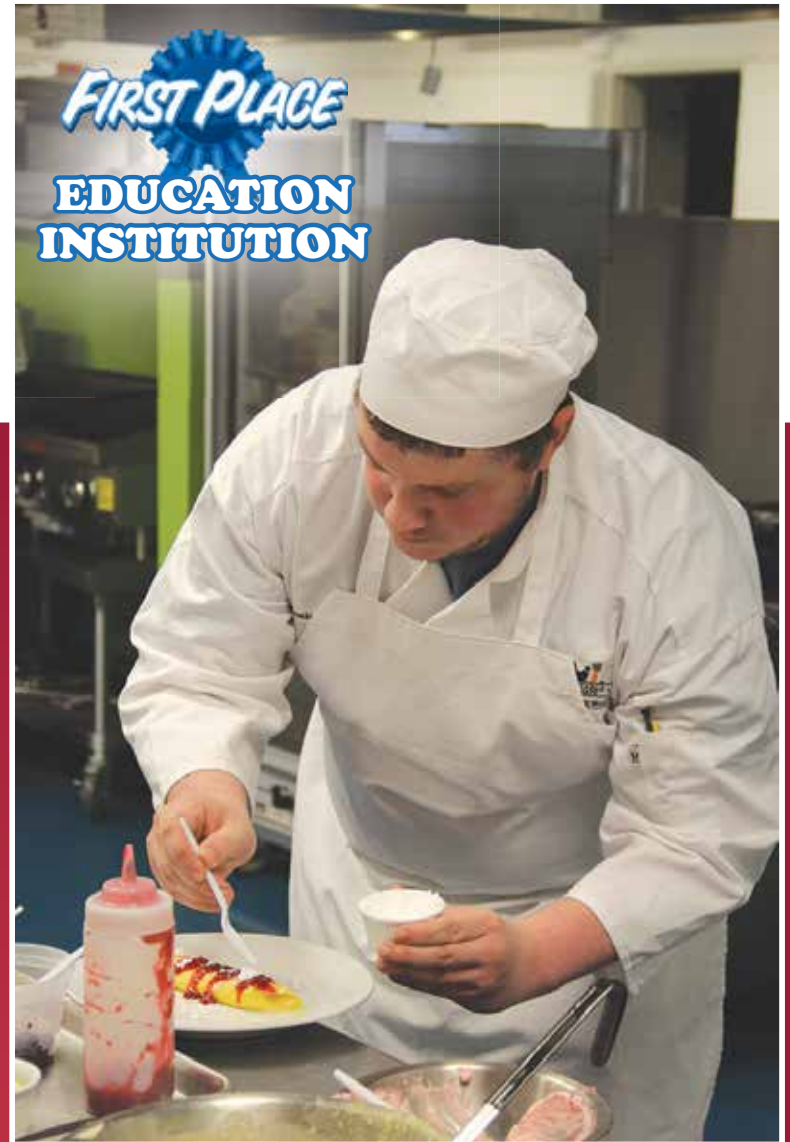
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# 2017 Morning Sentinel Best of the Best Readers Survey Results



Whittemore's Real Estate in Skowhegan.



Whittemore and Sons in Skowhegan.

### REAL ESTATE AGENCY

- 1-Whittemore's Real Estate, Skowhegan
- 2-Century 21 Surette Real Estate, Waterville
- 3-Coldwell Banker Plourde Real Estate, Waterville

### STORAGE SHED SALES/ FACILITIES

- 1-Thompson & Hachey Storage, Waterville
- 2-Pondwood Self-Storage, Waterville
- 3-The Shed Storage, Skowhegan

### STOVE/FIREPLACE STORE

- 1-Whittemore & Sons, Skowhegan
- 2-Somerset Stone & Stove, Oakland
- 3-Graf Mechanical, Skowhegan

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### DAYCARE/PRESCHOOL

- 1-Bright Beginnings Learning Center, Benton
- 2-Cradles & Crayons, Oakland
- 3-Educare, Waterville



Mainely Brews Restaurant & Brewhouse, Waterville.



Old Mill Pub in Skowhegan.

### BREWERY/PUB

- 1-Mainely Brews Restaurant & Brewhouse, Waterville
- 1-Old Mill Pub, Skowhegan
- 2-Silver Street Tavern, Waterville
- 3-Bigelow Brewery, Skowhegan

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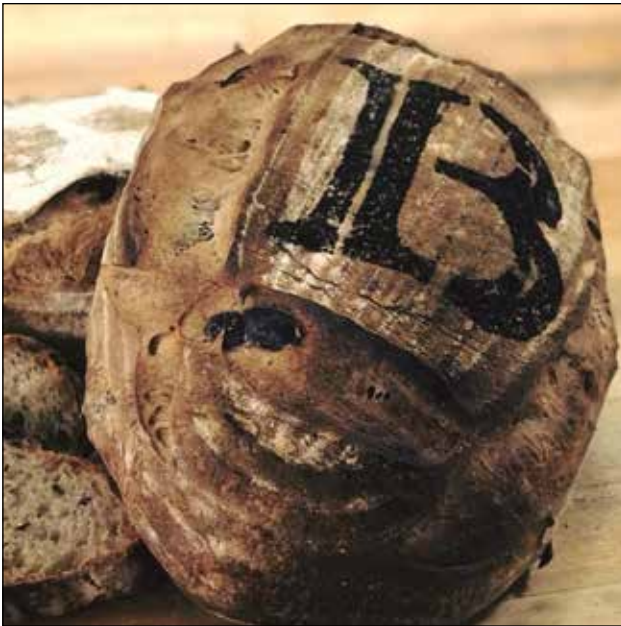


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# 2017 Morning Sentinel Best of the Best Readers Survey Results



The Bankery in Skowhegan.



Eric's Restaurant in Waterville.



Selah Tea in Waterville.

## BAKERY

- 1-The Bankery, Skowhegan
- 2-Hillman's Bakery, Fairfield
- 3-Holy Cannoli, Waterville

## CATERER

- 1-Eric's Restaurant & Catering, Waterville
- 2-Heritage House Restaurant, Skowhegan
- 3-Rita's Catering, Waterville, Winslow

## COFFEE/BREAKFAST SHOP

- 1-Selah Tea, Waterville
- 2-Jorgensen's Café, Waterville
- 2-Alice's Restaurant, Skowhegan
- 3-Eric's Restaurant, Waterville

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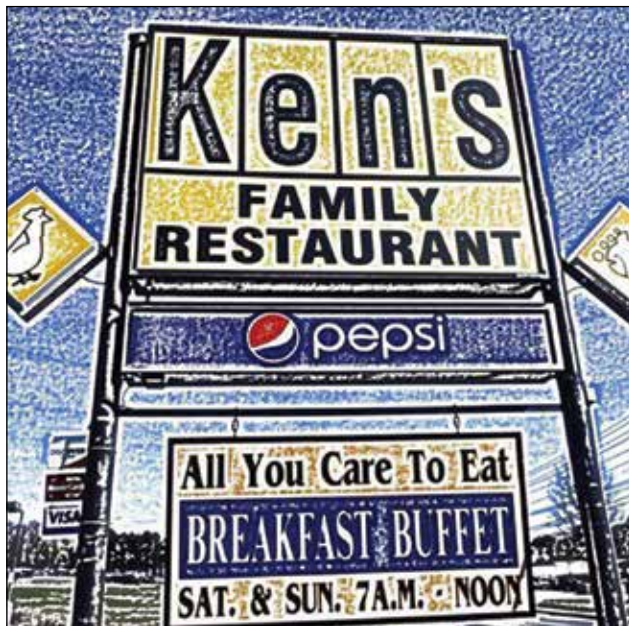
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Ken's Restaurant in Skowhegan.



M. Thai Restaurant in Skowhegan.



Eric's Restaurant in Waterville.

### FAMILY RESTAURANT

- 1-Ken's Restaurant, Skowhegan
- 2-Joseph's Fireside Steakhouse, Waterville
- 3-Governor's Restaurant, Waterville

### ETHNIC RESTAURANT

- 1-M. Thai Restaurant, Skowhegan
- 2-Ming Lee, Waterville
- 3-Pad Thai II, Waterville

### RESTAURANT - OTHER

- 1-Eric's Restaurant, Waterville
- 2-Joseph's Fireside Steakhouse, Waterville
- 3-Amici's Cucina, Waterville

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Al's Pizza in Skowhegan.



Eye Care of Maine in Waterville.



Bosse Family Chiropractic & Wellness in Waterville.

### PIZZA/SANDWICH/SUB SHOP

- 1-Al's Pizza, Skowhegan
- 2-Cappza's Pizza, Waterville
- 3-Slice Bar, Skowhegan

### EYE CARE

- 1-Eye Care of Maine, Waterville, Pittsfield
- 2-Dunn & Pakulski Optometrists, Skowhegan
- 3-Kennebec Eye Care, Waterville

### CHIROPRACTORS OFFICE

- 1-Bosse Family Chiropractic & Wellness, Waterville
- 2-Chiro Care, Skowhegan
- 3-Gagnon Chiropractic, Waterville
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Kennebec Behavioral Health in Waterville.



From left: Dr. Mohammed Imam and Dr. Shafulla Khan of Maine Center for Dental Medicine in Skowhegan.



Silver Street Dentistry in Waterville.

## COUNSELING SERVICE

- 1-Kennebec Behavioral Health, Waterville
- 2-Crisis & Counseling Center, Skowhegan
- 3-Health Psych Maine, Waterville

## DENTIST/ORTHODONTIST

- 1-Maine Center for Dental Medicine, Skowhegan
- 1-Silver Street Dentistry, Waterville
- 2-Kennebec Dental Arts, Fairfield
- 3-Smile Solutions, Waterville

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Cedar Ridge Center in Skowhegan.



Mount Saint Joseph Residence & Rehabilitation, Waterville



Inland Hospital in Waterville.

## HOME CARE SERVICES/NURSING HOME

- 1-Cedar Ridge Center, Skowhegan
- 1-Mount Saint Joseph Residence & Rehabilitation, Waterville
- 2- Lakewood Manor, Waterville
- 2- Woodlawn Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, Skowhegan
- 3-Oak Grove Center, Waterville
- 3-Maine-ly Elder Care, Oakland

## MEDICAL OFFICE/HEALTH FACILITY

- 1-Inland Hospital, Waterville
- 2-Redington Fairview General Hospital, Skowhegan
- 3-Waterville Family Practice, Waterville



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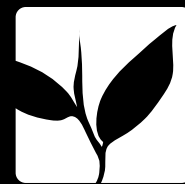
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Holland's Variety Drug in Skowhegan.



Redington Fairview Hospital in Skowhegan.



Pleasant Street Inn in Waterville.

### **PHARMACY**

- 1-Holland's Variety Drug, Skowhegan
- 2-Savage Pharmacies-Fairfield Pharmacy, Fairfield
- 3-Hannaford Pharmacies, Waterville-Skowhegan-So. China

### **PHYSICAL THERAPY**

- 1-Redington Fairview General Hospital, Skowhegan
- 2-Orthopedic Physical Therapy, Waterville

### **BOUTIQUE HOTEL/BED AND BREAKFAST**

- 1-Pleasant Street Inn, Waterville
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Best Western Waterville Grand Hotel in Waterville.



JCPenney in Waterville.



Madlyn's New & Used Consignment in Waterville and Skowhegan.

### HOTEL/MOTEL/RESORT/INN

- 1-Best Western Plus Waterville Grand Hotel, Waterville
- 2-Belmont Motel, Skowhegan
- 3-Towne Motel, Skowhegan

### BOUTIQUE/CLOTHING SHOP

- 1-JC Penney, Waterville
- 2-Maurice's, Waterville
- 3-Label Shopper, Skowhegan
- 4-TJ Maxx, Waterville

### CONSIGNMENT/RESALE SHOP

- 1-Madlyn's New & Used Consignment, Waterville, Skowhegan
- 2-Goodwill Store & Donation Center, Waterville
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Maine Made Shop in Waterville.



Hannaford Supermarkets in Waterville, Skowhegan, Madison and South China.



Day's Jewelers Waterville staff, from left: Amanda Ferris, Craig Adamson, Ken Whiting, Stephanie Casella and Taylor Martin.

## GIFT STORE

- 1-Maine Made Shop, Waterville
- 2-Paragon Shop, Waterville
- 2-Lynette's Cards & Gifts, Skowhegan
- 3-Beverly's Card and Gift, Waterville
- 3-Country Crow Primitives, Skowhegan

## GROCERY STORE

- 1-Hannaford Supermarket, Waterville, Skowhegan, Madison, So. China
- 2-George's Banana Stand, Skowhegan
- 3-Shaws Supermarket, Waterville

## JEWELRY STORE

- 1-Day's Jewelers, Waterville
- 2-Russakoff Jewelers, Skowhegan
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George's Banana Stand in Skowhegan.



Emery's Meat & Produce, from left, owner, Leon Emery, his wife Denise and daughter Jessica.



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United Way of Mid-Maine in Waterville.

### CONVENIENCE STORE/MARKET/ BEVERAGE

- 1-George's Banana Stand, Skowhegan
- 2-Damon's Beverage, Waterville
- 3-Pleau's Market, Winslow

### SPECIALTY/MEAT/SEAFOOD/ PRODUCE

- 1-Emery's Meat & Produce, Waterville
- 2-Joseph's Market, Waterville
- 3-201 Market, Skowhegan

### CHARITABLE

- 1-United Way of Mid-Maine, Waterville
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Waterville Elks Lodge #905.



Skowhegan Chamber of Commerce.



Sally's Top Hat School of Dance in Skowhegan.

### CIVIC/FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 1-Waterville Elks Lodge #905, Waterville
- 2-Central Maine Growth Council, Waterville
- 3-Rotary Club of Waterville, Waterville

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 1-Skowhegan Chamber of Commerce, Skowhegan
- 2-Skowhegan Lions Club, Skowhegan
- 3-Waterville Food Bank, Waterville

### DANCE STUDIO

- 1-Sally's Top Hat School of Dance, Skowhegan
- 2-Dance Connection, Fairfield
- 3-Stage Presence for Dancers, Winslow
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Miller's Fitness in Skowhegan.

### FITNESS FACILITY/GYM

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- 2-KV Crossfit, Waterville
- 3-Somerset Sports & Fitness, Skowhegan



Lakewood Golf Course in Madison.

### GOLF COURSE

- 1-Lakewood Golf Course, Madison
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- 3-Waterville Country Club, Oakland

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Cancun Mexican Restaurant owner Hector Fuentes.



Yogi Bear's Jelly Stone Park at Yonderhill in Madison.



Joseph's Sporting Goods in Waterville.

### LOUNGE/NIGHT SPOT/ DANCE CLUB

- 1-Cancun Mexican Restaurant, Waterville
- 2-Mainly Brews Restaurant & Brewhouse, Waterville
- 3-T & B's Celebration Center, Skowhegan
- 3-Silver Street Tavern, Waterville

### RV PARK/CAMPGROUND

- 1-Yogi Bear's Jelly Stone™ Park Camp Resort, Madison
- 2-Two Rivers Campground, Skowhegan
- 3-Green Valley Campground, Vassalboro

### SPORTING/OUTDOOR STORE

- 1-Joseph's Sporting Goods, Waterville
- 2-Day's Store, Belgrade Lakes
- 3-Akeeni Bait & Tackle, Skowhegan

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### BEAUTY SALON/ESTHETICIAN/SKIN CARE

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- 2-Evolution Salon, Winslow
- 3-Wicked Mainah Salon, Skowhegan
- 3-People's Salon & Spa, Waterville



### NAIL SALON

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- 3-Agora Hair Gallery & Day Spa, Waterville

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### SPA/MASSAGE/TANNING

- 1-Evolution Salon, Winslow
- 2-Trendsetters, Skowhegan
- 3-Apollo Day Spa, Waterville

### YOGA STUDIO

- 1-School Street Yoga, Waterville
- 2-KV Cross Fit, Waterville



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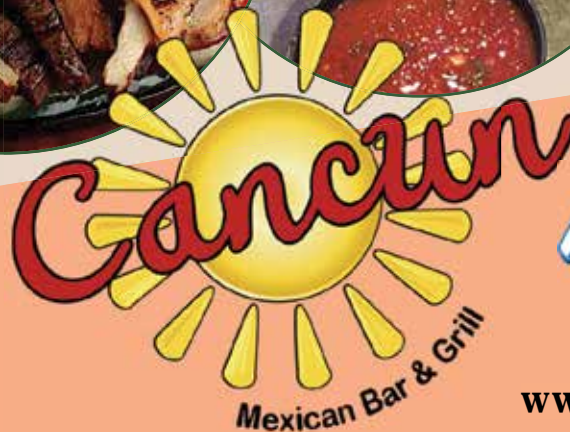
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- 1947-A major addition to the existing facility included a modern service department and body shop
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- 1970-Operated Budget Rent-A-Car for the State of Maine
- 1971-Central Maine Motors began operating a long term leasing company
- 1975-Peugot was added to the line up
- 1984-C&G Motors opened in Skowhegan
- 1985-The existing facility was renovated adding a two story parts department
- 1991-Central Maine Motors purchases Northeast Dodge-Toyota, moving Pontiac, Cadillac franchises to 420 KMD.
- 1992-Central Maine Motors acquires a Chrysler-Plymouth dealership and added Dodge combining the 3 nameplates back to the 198 College Avenue
- 1994-Central Maine Motors purchases a Buick-Oldsmobile-GMC dealership and relocates them to the 420 KMD rooftop, now offering Pontiac, Buick, GMC truck and Toyota at that location
- 1996-Central Maine Motors purchases a building on 30 Airport Road which becomes a state of the art collision center and a rental department
- 1997-Chris Gaunce, after working with GM for 4 years moves back to Maine to join the company
- 1997-Jeep was added to the College Avenue rooftop, now housing Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge and Jeep
- 1998-Central Maine Chrysler Dodge Jeep was moved to its new locations at 300 KMD.
- 1998-The Chevrolet franchise was added to the 420 KMD store, now selling Chevrolet, Pontiac, Buick and Toyota.
- 2001-A new building was constructed on 15 Airport Road to house the Toyota franchise, Operating as Central Maine Toyota
- 2005-Central Maine Toyota adds the all new Scion franchise to its line-up
- 2007-Central Maine Motors Reconditioning Center was opened at 23 Airport Road providing reconditioning services for all of our locations as well as for the general public
- 2010-Celebrating 75 years as a family owned business while serving the automotive needs of the Central Maine area
- 2011-Company structure change from two operating companies, to 4 operating companies due to large growth from operations.
- 2012-GM and Toyota build new additions for service.
- 2013-Service addition at Central Maine Toyota
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- 2015-Late fall, we broke ground to expand and remodel the Toyota building. The project was completed in 2016 leaving the Toyota store with an upscale and modern feel complete with quiet area work stations for our customers, a new children's play area and new coffee bar.
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