



Forty- Two Companies Make the Best Places to Work in Maine List!

Augusta, ME—August 2012---The Maine State Council of the Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM) has announced that 42 companies have been named in the seventh annual "Best Places to Work in Maine" program.

From this list, all companies in each category will find out how they ranked at an awards banquet October 11, 2012 at the Ramada Conference Center in Lewiston.

The 2012 Best Places to Work in Maine program recognizes companies that have established and consistently fostered outstanding workplace environments. Partners endorsing the program include: Best Companies Group, Maine HR Convention, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, My Job Wave, and *Mainebiz*.

Listed alphabetically, the 42 companies are:

- Allen Insurance and Financial, Camden
- Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice, Lewiston
- athenahealth, Inc., Belfast
- Bangor Savings Bank, Bangor
- Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, Bar Harbor
- Bernstein Shur, Portland
- Biddeford Savings Bank, Biddeford
- Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, East Boothbay
- BONNEY Staffing Center, Inc., Portland
- CashStar Inc., Portland
- CIANBRO, Pittsfield
- Cintas Corporation, Westbrook
- Consigli Construction Co., Inc., Portland
- Edward Jones, Eliot
- FISC Solutions, Lewiston
- Garrand, Portland
- Gorham Savings Bank, Gorham
- GreenPages Technology Solutions, Kittery
- Hall Internet Marketing, Portland
- Holden Agency Insurance, Portland
- Hollywood Casino Bangor, Bangor
- Hurley Travel Experts, Inc., Portland

- Infinity Federal Credit Union, Westbrook
- Kepware Technologies, Portland
- Machias Savings Bank, Machias
- Maine Credit Union League/Synergent, Portland
- Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Hampden
- Mechanics Savings Bank, Auburn
- MedTech Media, New Gloucester
- MOUNTAIN, LTD, New Gloucester
- MPX, Portland
- New Balance Athletic Shoe, Inc, Norway
- PeoplesChoice Credit Union, Saco
- Plexer International, Inc, Sanford
- PRC Industrial Supply, Portland
- Putney, Inc, Portland
- Skowhegan Savings Bank, Skowhegan
- Town & Country Federal Credit Union, South Portland
- Turner Barker Insurance, Portland
- Tyler Technologies Inc, Yarmouth
- Unum, Portland
- Winxnet, Portland

The assessment process, administered by the Best Companies Group, evaluated each company's employee policies and procedures as well as responses from the company's employees. The program marks the most recent step in a long-term initiative to encourage growth and excellence throughout all Maine companies.

The program also helps companies that want to improve their score. The Best Companies Group "Employee Feedback Report" is presented to each participating company, even if it did not make the list. The report summarizes employee engagement and satisfaction data, the "Maine Benchmark Report," and the transcript of employee written comments. The report is used by many organizations to make significant improvements in their workplace culture.

Sponsorship opportunities at the Oct. 11th awards banquet are still available. Contact Kelly Nelson at (207) 784-5441 or Jessica Palladino at (207) 396-7645 for more information.

Further details about the "Best Places to Work in Maine" program and the awards banquet can be found online at www.BestPlacestoWorkInME.com.