



# GARDINER

## FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

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# Members Only

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Check our website or follow us on  
social media for updates.

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## Happy New Year!

Thank you to our members for making 2025 a great year. We look forward to continuing together in 2026!

## Employee Anniversaries

We proudly recognize the following employees, celebrating anniversaries with the Credit Union this quarter.

Wendy Roberts..... 20 years  
Susan Morse..... 11 years  
Kimberlee Brown..... 3 years



## PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 73RD ANNUAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29TH AT GARDINER FCU!

Doors open at 5:15, meeting begins at 5:30. As members of our Credit Union, each of you owns a voting share. The Annual Meeting is an opportunity to let your voice be heard. During the Annual Meeting, members have the responsibility to elect fellow members to the Board of Directors. Seeking re-election are board members Nicole Cooley, Tim Cusick, and Dave Tourtelotte. Board member terms are three years. If you'd like to run for one of these positions, please contact one of the members of our nominating committee, via email.

### Nominating Committee

Amanda Couture: amanda.couture01@gmail.com

Deb Couture: navycaptpomi0031@gmail.com

Connie Greenleaf: conwgreen@aol.com

During the event, members will hear about 2025 accomplishments and the Credit Union's future goals. It's a chance for members, staff, and board members to celebrate the success of our Credit Union.

## Find Your Account # and Win \$25.00!

Can you find your account number? There is one account number hidden in the context of these articles. If you find your account number, notify the Credit Union and we'll deposit \$25.00 into your share account.

## Upcoming Holiday Closures

### New Year's Day

Thursday, January 1st  
*Closed*

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, January 19th  
*Closed*

### Presidents' Day

Monday, February 16th  
*Closed*



# First Quarter Events

**Hearts for Ending Hunger:**  
Our Annual Hearts for Ending Hunger fundraiser runs Monday, February 2nd through Friday, February 27th. Buy hearts for \$1.00 each and we'll display them in our lobby. All proceeds benefit our Ending Hunger in Maine Campaign.



**Chili Chowder Day:** Please join us Thursday, February 12th for our very popular Chili Chowder Day. Offering a hot, homemade lunch of chili, chowder, assorted soups and more. A great treat for your lunch. Grab an extra pint for dinner. All proceeds benefit the Ending Hunger Campaign.

## GFCU Auto Deduction for Ending Hunger



Make giving easy with automatic deductions from your account!

### Choose a schedule that works for you!

Every dollar donated goes directly toward the Campaign to End Hunger in Maine, helping local families and communities in need.

**Visit our website to sign up today!**  
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# Gardiner Federal Credit Union Privacy Policy

**Why?**  
Financial companies choose how they share your information. Federal Law gives members the right to limit some but not all sharing. Federal law also requires us to tell you how we collect, share and protect your personal information. Please read this notice carefully to understand what we do.

**What?**  
The types of personal information we collect and share depends on the products or services you have with us. This information can include:

- Social Security Number and Income
- Account Balances and Payment History
- Credit History and Credit Score

**How?**  
All financial companies need to share members’ personal information to run their everyday business. In the section below, we list the reasons financial companies can share their members’ personal information; the reasons Gardiner Federal Credit Union chooses to share; and whether you can limit this sharing.

Reasons we can share your personal information	Does Gardiner FCU share?	Can you limit this sharing?
<b>For our everyday business purposes</b> – such as to process transactions, maintain your account(s), respond to court orders and legal investigations or report to credit bureaus	YES	NO
<b>For our marketing purposes</b> – to offer products and services to you	YES	YES
<b>For joint marketing with other financial companies</b>	YES	YES
<b>For our affiliates’ everyday business purposes</b> – information about your transactions and expenses	YES	NO
<b>For our affiliates’ everyday business purposes</b> – information about your creditworthiness	YES	YES
<b>For non-affiliates to market to you</b>	YES	YES

**What we do**  
**How does Gardiner FCU protect my personal information?**  
To protect your personal information from unauthorized access and use, we use security measures that comply with federal law. These measures include computer safeguards and secured files and buildings. We restrict access to non-public personal information about you to persons who need to know that personal information to provide products or services to you.

**How Does Gardiner FCU collect my personal information?**  
We collect your personal information, for example, when you:

- Open an account or deposit money
- Pay your bills or apply for a loan
- Use your credit or debit card

We also collect your personal information from others, such as credit bureaus, affiliates or other companies.

**Why can’t I limit all sharing?**  
Federal law gives you the right to limit only:

- Sharing for affiliates’ everyday business purposes – information about your creditworthiness
- Affiliates from using your information to market to you
- Sharing for non-affiliates to market to you

**What happens when I limit sharing for an account I hold jointly?**  
Your choices will apply to everyone on your account – unless you tell us otherwise.

**Definitions**

- **Affiliates** – Companies related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and non-financial companies.
- **Non-affiliates** – Companies not related by common ownership or control. They can be financial and non-financial companies.
- **Joint Marketing** – A formal agreement between non-affiliated financial companies that together market financial products or services to you.

**Please note:** If you are a new member, we can begin sharing your information 30 days from the date we sent this notice. When you are no longer our member, we continue to share your information we described in this notice. However, you can contact us at any time to limit our sharing.

**Questions?**  
Call 207-582-2676 or go to [www.gardinerfcu.org](http://www.gardinerfcu.org).

## Savings Deposit Rates

Type	Rate	Annual Percentage Yield
Share (Savings) Account	0.10%	0.10%
Youth Account	0.10%	0.10%
Hi Yield: 2,000.00 to 25,000.00	1.75%	1.76%
Hi Yield: 25,000.01 to 50,000.00	1.85%	1.87%
Hi Yield: 50,000.01 to 100,000.00	2.05%	2.07%
Hi Yield: 100,000.01 and over	2.15%	2.17%
Clubs	0.10%	0.10%
IRA Share Account	0.20%	0.20%