

Report on the October 2, 2010  
Maine Media Women's Program  
Held in Brunswick, Maine

(Notes made by Kathy Brandes – thank you!)

Organized by Sherry Hanson of MMW and Jean St. Pierre of Ameriprise Financial Services, the program was held at the Daniel Stone Inn in Brunswick. Fifteen members and nonmembers attended. There was no formal business meeting.

- First presenter was Benjamin Burden of Maine Hosting Solutions in Bath ([www.MaineHost.com](http://www.MaineHost.com)), who covered such subjects as domain registration, Website design, hosting support, and options for e-commerce. During the Q&A, he discussed search engines, links to other sites, banner ads, photo tagging, and open-source software for updating Websites.
- Second presenter was John Noyes, co-owner (with his wife, Robin) of The Picture Framer in Topsham ([www.tpfmaine.com](http://www.tpfmaine.com)), who provided examples of good and not-so-good framing techniques. After discussing the merits of museum glass and archival stock, he brought out his fascinating mother lode of mats, with samples of a huge variety of designs, shapes, and cutouts. During the Q&A, he addressed issues of antique frames, the framing of odd-size work, and framing of needlework.
- The third presenter was Jean St. Pierre, a Senior Financial Officer based in Topsham for Ameriprise Financial Services ([jean.j.stpierre@ampf.com](mailto:jean.j.stpierre@ampf.com)). After distributing a folder of helpful information, he urged that attendees fill in the pages of the Ameriprise "Dream Book," a useful tool for assessing financial and lifestyle goals. During the Q&A, he explained fixed and variable annuities and recommended *On the Brink*, Henry Paulson's book on the recent financial crisis.

The program was followed by a delicious buffet lunch hosted by Jean St. Pierre in the Inn's restaurant.

Kudos to Sherry and Jean for the excellent program!

Sept. 30, 2010 Financial Statement:

Checking Account: \$7,208.55

Scholarship Account: \$1,907.73\*

KVA Scholarship: \$2,180.12

\*Payment of \$500 to Rebecca Schooley, 2009 Scholarship winner, was made on October 1, 2010 (per CJ).

Respectfully Submitted,  
Genie Dailey, Secretary