

NorState FCU's 2nd annual dance and auction raises over \$10,000 for Ending Hunger

ST. JOHN VALLEY – NorState Federal Credit Union employees along with co-sponsor Madawaska Knights of Columbus welcomed several hundred people to the Madawaska K of C Hall on Saturday, November 12th for a dance and silent auction.

Generous donations of beautiful items from various merchants ranging from St. Francis to Presque Isle offered a huge variety of auction items, that event goers could browse and bid on.

Stephen Gagne, auction chairperson said, “An event such as this depends largely on the generosity from local merchants and people who come to support the cause.

Their participation to the cause is what makes it all come together.

I'm thankful to the wonderful volunteer spirit of the NorState team, as well as the Knights of Columbus in their generosity to support this event.

I'd be remised if I didn't acknowledge the band, Boomer-Ang for their talented music that evening.

They kept people on the dance floor all night long, and kept everyone informed on the bidding for the Silent Auction that was downstairs.”

Event goers had an entertaining evening of great music, friendly gathering and competitive auction.”

Denise Duperre-Cote, NFCU's Marketing Director added, “NorState employees pulled it all together with their generous donation of time.

From the planning stages to ticket sales, to auction item collections and hall setup, and volunteering throughout the entire evening at the door or in other numerous posts is what makes for a successful fundraiser.

Advanced ticket sales by our employees throughout the six branches, and the rally by the branch managers to include their staff in the fundraising efforts was priceless.

It was so nice to see people take a break from the dance floor and venture downstairs to the auction, to see if they had been outbid and make their move before the tables were closed.

Some items got competitive bidders, just hovering, to make sure they were not being outbid.

There was something for everyone!

This event was definitely a huge kick-off signature event for the Hope for the Holidays Food Drive that is currently going on throughout the St. John Valley.”

A net profit of \$10,276.00 was raised. \$2,364.00 over the 2010 fundraiser. All proceeds remain local and benefit ending hunger and local pantries in our communities.



CEO rocks the bid: David Rossignol, CEO,CCE of NorState FCU and a member of a local band (pictured at left), BOOMER-ANG rocked the KC Hall during NorState FCU's 2nd Annual Ending Hunger Dance/Auction sponsored by NorState FCU and the Madawaska Knights of Columbus. All proceeds go to local food pantries in central and northern Aroostook County. Other members are Alain Bois, Biz Gagnon and Dan Chasse -Cote photo



NorState Federal Credit Union's recent fundraiser, the 2nd Annual Dance & Action held at the KC Hall in Madawaska on November 12th to help assist local food pantries, was a huge success.

Over 400 event tickets were sold in support of the fundraiser and entered into the door prize drawing.

Simone Dubay of Van Buren was the lucky draw of a new Dell laptop. Pictured is Dubay with NorState MSA Renee Burgess.