

## NorState donates \$1,000 toward the Madawaska 2018 Acadian Festival.

Community Sponsor – NorState Federal Credit Union proudly supports local community events in many communities throughout Aroostook County, and the Acadian Festival in Madawaska, now entering its 41<sup>st</sup> year, is one event that NorState has been a proud sponsor of for many, many years.

The Acadian Festival is the largest cultural event in Maine that celebrates French-Acadians who have settled on the American/Canadian shores along the St. John River Valley.

Traditional foods, music, historical and cultural displays, fanfare and festivities along with reunions of founding families make this event successful year after year.

Local business and people support the success of this festival and its organizing committee.

President of the Acadian Festival committee is Chris Braley.

Chris stated that sponsors like NorState Federal Credit Union and business owners, along with people who so generously support their fundraisers and town appropriations make their festival possible with an annual cost of approximately \$45,000.

NorState is a proud sponsor of community events.

Along with sponsorship, NorState also participates in the Acadian Festival ongoing festivities and challenges such as the Human Foosball, parade and contribute toward the family reunion and other events scheduled during the festival.

Braley credits his committee for working hard year round to assure that Madawaska and surrounding communities can enjoy a summertime festival in the heart of the St. John Valley.

NorState thanks committee members Chris Braley, President, Ruby Picard, Vice President, Teresa Theriault, Treasurer, Mindy Braley, Secretary and members Paul and Nancy Michaud, Brenda Forbes and Greg Morin. If anyone would like to donate to the festival committee, donations can be dropped off at any NorState location addressed to Mindy Braley's attention. Vive les Acadien!

To learn more about NorState and their commitment to serve members, family and communities, visit [www.norstatefcu.org](http://www.norstatefcu.org). For more information about the Acadian Festival go to [www.acadianfestival.com](http://www.acadianfestival.com)



**Supporting Community Events -** Participating in the check presentation from NorState Federal Credit Union to the Acadian Festival are AF Committee President Chris Braley, Member Nancy Michaud, Vice Chair Ruby Picard and NorState's CEO Susan Whitehead. *-Duperre photo*

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