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Meet Our Annual Gala Keynote Speaker:

Laura Knoy

New Hampshire Public Radio

Laura Knoy is well known in New Hampshire for her in-depth coverage of important issues and is widely regarded for her interviews with presidential hopefuls. Knoy is a graduate of Keene High School. Prior to hosting The Exchange, she worked in public radio in Washington, D.C. as a local reporter and announcer for WAMU and as a newscaster for NPR. Before her radio career, she was a researcher for USA Today's "Money" section, and a research assistant at the Institute for International Economics. Knoy has been a guest host on national programs such as The Diane Rehm Show and Here and Now. In 2007 she was named New Hampshire Broadcaster of the Year by the New Hampshire Association of Broadcasters.

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Come with the whole family to enjoy ice carvings, children's crafts at Snowman Central, musical entertainment, and train rides. Meet Snowman, Penguin and Ice Princess characters. Face painting by Emily Soddors and much more!

Follow us on Facebook at Keene Ice & Snow Festival for updates.

www.monadnocktravel.com

Member **Spotlight**



The Keene Family YMCA is one of the Monadnock Region's leading nonprofits -- strengthening communities since 1885 through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Its hallmark is inclusivity: children, families, adults and seniors from all backgrounds and walks of life are welcome and supported by the Y's charitable fundraising efforts.

In December, the Keene Family YMCA announced the community leadership of its 2018 Annual Campaign, the Y's annual charitable fundraising effort that supports the needs of children, families, teens and seniors living throughout the Monadnock Region. The Annual Campaign launches April 14th, 2018, and aims to raise \$166,000 with \$60,000 coming from the Y's 2018 Sneaker Ball next April. Community members who receive charitable support from the Y include:

- Babies and toddlers who receive financial help to attend the Y's licensed preschool program
- Children and adults with disabilities who get membership support to be at the Y
- Seniors who receive financial assistance to access the Y so they can socially connect with other seniors through the Y's activity programs
- Teens and children who receive financial support to stay healthy by learning to swim, do gymnastics, and other activities
- Community members with chronic diseases such as diabetes who get financial help to participate in the Y's nationally-recognized diabetes prevention program in partnership with Cheshire Medical Center.

Anthony Tremblay of Keene is Campaign Chair. Tremblay is retired Director of Development of Mt. Ascutney Hospital in Windsor, VT. Tremblay previously served as Vice President for Development of the National Foundation for Cancer Research (Bethesda, MD) and the Chief Development Officer of the American Association for Cancer Research (Philadelphia). He has held senior faculty, development and administrative posts with Keene State College, Franklin Pierce University, Cedar Crest College (PA), Springfield College (MA), and with the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children where he was statewide Director of Development. Tremblay has served on the boards of numerous non-profit organizations in New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, and Maryland including his role as trustee and president of the Cedarcrest Foundation and trustee of the Historical Society of Cheshire County.



Dave Therrien of Alstead is Campaign Co-Chair. Therrien is Senior Executive Vice President of The Melanson Company, Inc. and a board member of the Keene Family YMCA and Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services. He is a former board member of the Monadnock Humane Society, Friends of the Ashuelot River Park and The Orchard School.



Cameron Tease of Keene is Honorary Member of the Annual Campaign Cabinet. He is the Executive Director of the Keene Senior Center and former Resource Development Director with Monadnock United Way. Other Cabinet Members include **Mike Hofer**, YMCA Board Chair; **Beth Wright**, YMCA Board Treasurer; **Helene Mogridge**, YMCA CEO; **Marj Droppa**, YMCA Community Impact and Development Director; **Mike Rafferty**, YMCA Development Committee Member; **Deb Ganley**, YMCA Development Committee Member; **Topher Hamblet**, YMCA Board Member; **Jay Noseworthy**, YMCA Board Member; and **Cheryl Belair**, YMCA Board Member.

Keene Family YMCA
200 Summit Road, Keene
(603) 352-6002
www.keeneymca.org

Want your business in the Spotlight?
Contact Christine Hadlow at chadlow@keenechamber.com and reserve your spot!

Please note! There will be NO Business After Hours in January.

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**Beginning in February, there will be a \$5 fee to attend Business After Hours.
Please pay online when you register or pay at the door.**

FEBRUARY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

True North Networks

15 Business Center Drive, Swanzey NH

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

5:30 – 7:00 PM

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TRUE NORTH
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The Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce invites you to join us for our February Business After Hours, hosted by True North Networks in Swanzey, NH. Join us for networking, learn more about True North's services, meet their team, and enjoy great food catered by CC&D's Kitchen.

Be sure to bring your business card to be entered into a raffle for great prizes!

Please RSVP to the GKCC:

- Online at keenechamber.com
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Member News



Srikanth Puli, MD



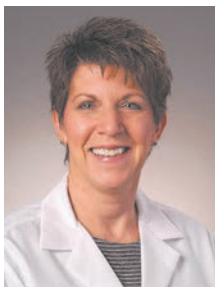
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Tanya Luttinger, MD



Michael Mitchell-Beam, APRN



Carol Huntley-Smith, APRN



Adrienne Williams, APRN FNP-C



Brian O'Hearn, APRN



David Nash, MD

Cheshire Medical Center (CMC)

is pleased to welcome the following new staff members: Srikanth Puli, MD and Vikramaditya Samala Venkata, MD as Hospitalists; Tanya Luttinger, MD, Michael Mitchell-Beam, APRN, and Carol Huntley-Smith, APRN to the Department of Family Medicine; Adrienne Williams, APRN FNP-C to the Department of Hospital Medicine, Brian O'Hearn, APRN to Walk-In Care; David Nash, MD to the Allergy/Immunology Department. www.cheshiremed.org

The Local Crowd (TLC), a rewards-based crowdfunding platform, recently won a Crowdfundie Award at the Global Crowdfunding Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. This award recognizes outstanding contributions to the crowdfunding industry. Locally, The Local Crowd is hosted by Monadnock Buy Local and called The Local Crowd Monadnock. Since The Local Crowd Monadnock launched in March 2017, four Monadnock Region businesses and organizations have collectively raised \$34,946 from over 200 individuals.

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TLC will expand into three new towns: Alstead, Jaffrey and Peterborough, NH. Entrepreneurs, businesses and organizations based in these towns -- along with Chesterfield, Keene, Hinsdale, Swanzey and Winchester -- are invited to submit project proposals to TLC Monadnock. Successful proposals will launch their campaigns this winter, based on their ability to positively impact local economies and communities.

Unique to this particular crowdfunding platform is the free hands-on technical assistance accepted teams receive to help create and launch their campaigns. In addition, TLC Monadnock will award one proposal a free video, donated by 710 Main Films, to support their crowdfunding campaign. Studies show that crowdfunding campaigns with videos raise four times more funds than campaigns without videos. This request for proposals is available online at monadnocklocal.org/lift. All proposals are due before 5:00 p.m. on January 12, 2018.

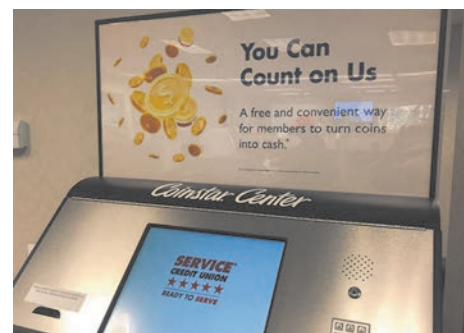
www.monadnocklocal.org

Website Publicity of Peterborough, NH has recently joined the **Paragon Digital Marketing** team in Keene. Website Publicity has provided Search Marketing and Pay-Per-Click (PPC) advertising services for nearly 20 years to a wide variety of clients with a high level of expertise. The Website Publicity team will continue to provide the same expert services to Website Publicity's existing clients under Paragon. This move will open up a wider depth and breadth

of services to Website Publicity's current clients as well as expand Paragon's capacity to provide high quality digital marketing to its clients.

www.paragondigital.com

Service Credit Union (SCU) now offers coin counting machines in its Portsmouth, Salem and Keene traditional branch locations. Members can use the machine free of charge. A nominal fee will be charged to business members and non-members.



Vouchers will need to be redeemed at the teller station for cash. Electronic gift cards and charitable donations can be done at the machine, both with no fee. Charities include American Red Cross, Children's Miracle Network, Feeding America, UNICEF, The Humane Society of the US, Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and World Wildlife Fund.

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The Cooperative Credit Union Association (CCUA)

recently presented Service Credit Union Assistant Vice President of the Contact Center Dennis Donnelly with the Young Professionals Award of Excellence.



The award signifies a young professional who best demonstrates a commitment to the values and principles defining the credit union's mission. Donnelly was one of six recipients in the CCUA's area of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Delaware.

www.servicecu.org



Chiropractor and wellness coach, **Dr. Gene Clerkin**, founder of **Monadnock Natural Health**, 16 Church Street, Keene, is offering free dinner wellness

presentations to residents of the Monadnock region.

Chronic diseases – diabetes, heart disease, obesity, digestive disorders, hypertension, autoimmune conditions and many more – are escalating. The amount of medication being prescribed that only suppresses and manages the symptoms without discovering and addressing underlying causes is also on the rise. Dr. Clerkin's presentations are designed for people who are interested in taking a different path, those looking for safe and natural methods to resolve their chronic health issues. Space is limited, so call 603-852-4706 now to make a reservation for you and your guest.

www.monadnocknaturalhealth.com

IPG Employee Benefits

is pleased to announce **Liz Coppola** has joined the firm as a Consultant/Broker. Coppola will serve with a team responsible for managing relations and providing innovative solutions for IPG's client partners. She has a background in Financial Services, having spent 10 years with Merrill Lynch in San Francisco, CA & Louisville, KY as a Certified Financial Planner. More recently, she served as the Associate Executive Director at the Keene Family YMCA where she was responsible for leading the Y's Financial Development and Program Development opportunities.

www.ipgbenefits.com

The regional accounting firm of **Nathan Wechsler & Company, PA** is pleased to announce the celebration of 60 years of

service to the New Hampshire community.

"Sixty years is a remarkable accomplishment for our firm," said **Oreste "Rusty" Mosca, CPA**, Managing Director of Nathan Wechsler & Company, PA. "Our long-term success is a direct result of the value we place on client relationships, as well as our dedicated staff, who strive to provide the highest quality service each and every day."

The firm also announced the following staff appointments: **Julie Greenwood, CPA**, Principal has joined the board of Home Healthcare, Hospice & Community Services in Keene; **Jameson Meschino, CPA**, manager has joined the board of directors for the Animal Rescue League of New Hampshire; **Wayne Geher, CPA, CFE**, firm principal has been approved for membership with the Collaborative Law Alliance of New Hampshire (CLANH).

www.nathanwechsler.com

On Friday, October 27, **Monadnock United Way** mobilized 73 volunteers to complete 13 service projects for nonprofit organizations across the region. Day of Caring was established to promote the spirit and value of volunteerism and demonstrate what people working together in the community can accomplish. In just one day, dedicated volunteers from local businesses accounted for 264 combined hours helping 13 nonprofits with projects they would have otherwise had to pay for.

www.muw.org



Julie Greenwood, CPA



Jameson Meschino, CPA



Wayne Geher, CPA, CFE

Monadnock RSVP Volunteer Center

received a \$2,500 grant from the Bishop's Charitable Assistance Fund for operating support for the Neighbors-In-Deed program which provides ongoing companionship and support to economically disadvantaged seniors, adults with disabilities, veterans, and military family members so they can remain living in their homes as long as possible.

www.monadnockvolunteercenter.org

At the November 2017 Board Meeting for the **Community Volunteer Transportation Company**, the following were elected as officers: **Eileen Fernandes** of Keene as Chair; **Kathryn Miner** of Harrisville as Vice Chair; **Jordan Volikas** of Keene as Treasurer; and **Matt Waitkins** of Peterborough as Secretary. Other members of the Board are **Sheila Mahon** of Hancock and **Jen Seher** of Keene.

Also in November, CVTC's Volunteer Driver team, numbering over seventy individuals, received the "Outstanding Service Award for a Group" at the 2017 Volunteer NH Spirit of NH Awards ceremony.

www.cvtc-nh.org



Eileen Fernandes



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The deadline to submit an application is January 12, 2018. The application can be accessed by visiting www.BusinessNHmagazine.com and clicking on the "Competitions" button.

GKCC **Officers & Directors 2017-2018**

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Vice Chair - Amy Wright, Keene Housing
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DIRECTORS

Kemal Atkins - Keene State College
Michael Breshears - Keene Sentinel
Chris Coates - Cheshire County

Alec Doyle - Colonial Theatre
Mike Farhm - The MacMillan Company
Wink Faulkner - AdvCoach of NH
Mark Fryberger - C&S Wholesale Grocers
Emily Hall Warren - W.S. Badger Company
John Kilburn - GS Precision
Todd Lewis - Markem-Image
Tom Minkler - Clark-Mortenson Insurance
Lisa Nugent - People's United Bank
Sandie Phipps - Cheshire Medical Center
Carmelina Stella - Miranda's On Main
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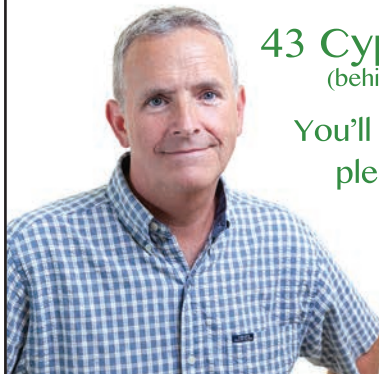
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Antioch University New England	Frazier & Son Furniture	MSH Marketing Group Inc
Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music	Galloway Real Estate	NBT Bank - Formerly NH First Bank
Athens Pizza	GemGraphics	New Hampshire Trust Co, The
Autex Mazda	Good Fortune Jewelry	NEXTerminators
Bank of America	Granite State Glass	NGM, The Main Street Group
Beeze Tees Screen Printing	Greenwald Realty Associates	NH Employer Support of the Guard and Rese
Bentley Commons	Guyer & Son Roofing	Noyes Volkswagen
Bergeron Construction Company	Haley Park Apartments	Oster & Wheeler PC
Bergeron, Newcombe & Toepfer	Hamshaw Lumber Inc	Pamela's Pantry
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Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH	Historical Society of Cheshire County	Papagallos Restaurant
Blais & Associates Realtors	HKS Associates Inc	Pappas Contracting
Bradley & Faulkner PC	Hoffman Family Foundation	Paragon Digital Marketing
Bragdon & Kossayda, P.C.	Hogancamp PC	Pedraza's Mexican Restaurant
Brickstone Land Use Consultants LLC	Holiday Inn Express Keene	People's United Bank - Keene
Bridges Inn at Whitcomb House	Home Builders & Remodelers Assoc. of SWNH	Phoenix House - Keene Center
Budget Blinds of Keene, NH	Horatio Colony House Museum	Pizza Pie
Bulldog Design	Horse & Buggy Feeds, Inc.	Plotkin's Furniture
C&S Wholesale Grocers Inc	Indian King Framery/Ashton Gallery	Powers, Smith & Associates, Inc
Carriage Barn Bed & Breakfast	Ingram Construction Corp	Prime Roast Coffee Co
Cedarcrest Center for Children	Insurance Source Inc., The	Princeton Properties Management Inc
Charter Trust Company	IPG Employee Benefits	Prospect-Woodward Home
Chesco Inc	J & J Discount	Racquet Club, Inc, The
Cheshire Animal Hospital	John Burk & Associates	Raynor Dental
Cheshire Cleaning	Joslin Management Corporation	RBC Wealth Management
Cheshire County	Kapiloff Insurance Agency	RE/MAX Town & Country
Cheshire County Federal Credit Union	Keene Auto Body Inc	Richards Group, The
Cheshire Fair Association Inc	Keene Chrysler Dodge Jeep	RiverMead
Cheshire Glass Company, LLC	Keene Country Club	Road's End Farm
Cheshire Medical Center - DHK	Keene Day Care Center	Salvation Army/Keene, The
Cheshiremen Chorus	Keene Family YMCA	Savings Bank of Walpole
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City of Keene	Keene Monument Co Inc	Service Credit Union
Clark Mortenson Insurance	Keene Orthodontic Specialists, PC	Shattuck Golf Club, The
Colonial Theatre, The	Keene Sentinel	Southwest Region Planning Commission
Colony House	Keene Smiles, PC	Southwestern Community Services
Community Kitchen, The	Korvin Appliance Inc	Stan's Auto Body
Community Volunteer Transportation	Lane & Bentley	State of NH Vocational Rehabilitation
ConvenientMD Urgent Care	Lee and Mt Fuji Restaurant	Stone Pond Technology, LLC
Cooper Properties	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company	Stonewall Farm
Country Business, Inc. (CBI)	Liberty Utilities	SymQuest Group Inc
Court Street Veterinary	Liebert Investment Management	Targett Cleaners
Courtyard Marriott Keene	Luca's Mediterranean Café	TD Bank
Creative Encounters	Lynn C Rust CPA PC - NEW	Thai Garden
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Cushing & Sons Water Wells	Malcolm R Katz Architect	Thom Little Associates
Custer Design	Maps Counseling Services	Thomas Eaton
D'Alessio and Associates, Inc	Mascoma Savings Bank	Thomas S Bates CPA
Days Inn Keene	Masiello Employment Services	Tim Small Sales
Dead River Company	Masiello Insurance Agency Inc	Timken Precision
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DLC Management	McLaughlin Investment Management LLC	Tom's Automotive Services
Edward D Jones & Co - (Allen Mendelson)	MoCo Arts	Tousley Property Management, LLC
Electronic Imaging Materials	Mon Amie Fine Jewelry	Trinity Lutheran Church/Christian School
EMF Inc	Monadnock Area Artists' Association	True North Networks, LLC
Emile J Legere Management Co Inc	Monadnock Broadcasting Group	U-Save Auto Rental
Engelberth Construction Inc	Monadnock Center for Violence Prevention	W.S. Badger Company
Facilitated Change	Monadnock Developmental Services Inc.	Weller & Michal Architects Inc
Fairfield Inn & Suites	Monadnock Family Services	Westside Animal Hospital
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Member **Events**

Visit www.keenechamber.com/events for event details.

Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) - Greater Monadnock Chapter

How to Say No and Get More Done

Wednesday, January 10, 7:30 - 9:30 AM
Courtyard Marriott, Keene

HR professionals are helpers. They connect with people and can represent the soft and safe place to go in the workplace when a detail is awry. They smile and fix it, and customers return. All this is wonderful but, sometimes, it prevents strategic work from getting done. Sometimes, HR professionals experience burnout from coming in too early and staying late, day after day, because they can't say NO during the day. This session focuses on "The Strategic NO" and saying YES to the highest level of customer service so that we don't have to sacrifice individual priorities, values, and goals.

Presented by Carol Williams of Efficient Productivity Systems (EpS). For more information, contact Candi Dionne, President, at cdionne@hcp-usa.com, or visit MonadnockSHRM.org.

Antioch University New England

Unpacking Systemic Racism

Tuesday, January 16, 23, 30 and February 6, 2018
5:00 - 8:30 PM

Do you wish you had more opportunity to think and learn about race, race relations and the impact of racism? Do you sometimes feel uncomfortable in multiracial groups? What if you could increase your capacity to improve race relations, change the way we think about race, address systemic racism, and advance equitable outcomes in our community?

Join others in a small group of 20-30 individuals to reflect, learn, and act to address racial bias and discrimination.

This series will be facilitated by Dr. Dottie Morris of Keene State College and Dr. Ann Driscoll of Antioch University New England. The workshop will be held on four Tuesday evenings: January 16, 23, 30 and February 6th. If needed, a snow make-up day will be February 13th. A light meal will be served at 5:00 pm and the workshop will run 5:30 - 8:30 pm. The series is co-sponsored by Antioch University New England, Keene State College, The Colonial Theater and New Hampshire Listens.

This event is open to the public with pre-registration. To make it affordable to all who would like to attend, it is available on a sliding scale fee of no-cost to \$25. For more information, visit: www.antioch.edu/new-england/event/unpacking-systemic-racism-advancing-equitable-outcomes-keene-community/

Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) - Greater Monadnock Chapter

The New Retirement and The Impact on Your Organization

Wednesday, February 14, 7:30 - 9:30 AM
Courtyard Marriott, Keene

As baby boomers continue working longer, there is less room for development and promotion of other employees. This can increase turnover and expenses for recruiting. Help ease employees' fears of retirement and help "reluctant pre-retirees." Help them develop a Retirement Lifestyle Plan. Learn how to make the most of your baby boomers and develop a plan to transfer the knowledge to younger workers. Presented by Sandy Demarest of Demarest Directions.

For more information about these upcoming events, contact Candi Dionne, President, at cdionne@hcp-usa.com, or visit MonadnockSHRM.org.

Machina Arts

The Gaslight Tinkers Live At The Hive

Saturday, January 20, 2018 - 8:00 - 11:50 PM
The Hive (Hannah Grimes Center)

Come dance to the sounds of the Gaslight Tinkers! African, Caribbean, Funk, Reggae, and Latin grooves meet traditional fiddle music. It's the genre-bending future of the music of the past.

The Gaslight Tinkers' blend of global rhythms creates a joyously danceable sound around a core of traditional New England old time and celtic fiddle music, merging boundless positive energy with melody and song. Since its formation in 2012 the band has lit up the East Coast, the West Coast, and the Caribbean, headlining clubs, dances, and major festivals.

Playing what The Valley Advocate describes as "Music that consistently fizzles and pops with unexpected textures and turns," The Gaslight Tinkers' shows are packed with delightful surprises, elated crowds, and exuberant musicianship. The sound and energy of Audrey, Joep, Garrett, and Peter are universally irresistible.

This event is a part of a monthly project intended to bring more art, music, and culture to the Monadnock region called 'Live at the Hive' - It is a community funded project with deep partnerships with others such as: The Hannah Grimes Center, UpStream Sound & More, Northwestern Mutual - Juliana Bergeron, & Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce.

Age 21+ // \$15 cover at the door // Bar provided (cash or cards)

For the full sponsor list visit: <http://www.machinaarts.org/liveat-thehive.html>.

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GKCC January Events...

Annual Gala 2018

Thursday, January 11, 2018
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Keynote Speaker: Laura Knoy, NH Public Radio
5:30-8:30 pm

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What's the Truth about the Environmental Impact of Print?

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There are many popular misconceptions about the impact that printed materials have on the environment. However, the idea that print is detrimental to the environment is factually wrong.

Myth: Paper is Made from Fresh-Cut Trees

Reality: Paper is Made Primarily from "Waste" Products

In the United States, the vast majority — a full two-thirds — of the fiber used to make paper comes from sources other than fresh-cut trees. One-third comes from wood chips and sawmill scraps, one-third comes from recycled paper, and just one-third comes from “new growth” trees.¹

Of course, these statistics are based on industry averages. There are 113 mills in the United States that use recovered fiber exclusively.²

Myth: Print Leads to Deforestation

Reality: Print Promotes Trees

Contrary to commonly held belief, paper mills are not cutting down old-growth forests in order to make paper. Nearly all the wood used in paper production comes from “tree farms” — acres of trees grown as a renewable crop, like broccoli or wheat. Family forest owners own 35 percent of U.S. forestland, and the majority own small parcels of land.

For many of these families, having strong wood markets (including the demand created by print) means the difference between holding onto their land and selling it.³ Once sold, this land is often developed. As Dr. Patrick Moore, co-founder of Greenpeace, has stated: “Using wood sends signals to the marketplace to grow more trees.”



Myth: The Tree Population is Shrinking

Reality: More Trees and Forests Exist Today Than 20 Years Ago

With the increased demand for printed goods that we've seen over time, many people believe that the forests must be shrinking. This is simply not true. In the United States, private landowners plant four million trees every day, and for the past 100 years the total forest area in the USA has been stable, even growing by two million acres between 2000 and 2005⁴. With so many trees being planted, there are 20 percent more trees in the USA today than there were on the first Earth Day celebration more than 40 years ago.⁵

¹ Technical Association for the Pulp and Paper Industry (TAPPI), "Questions & Answers from TAPPI," page 11. (www.michigansaf.org/ForestInfo/MSUElibrary/Facts-TAPPI.PDF)

² American Forest and Paper Association, "Fun Facts," accessed January 2017. (www.afandpa.org/our-industry/fun-facts)

³ American Forest Foundation, "Building with Wood Helps Keep Forests as Forests," 2014. (www.forestfoundation.org/building-with-wood-helps-keep-forests-as-forest)

⁴ Ibid

⁵ American Forest and Paper Association, "Fun Facts," accessed January 2017. (www.afandpa.org/our-industry/fun-facts)

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Choose Print is an educational campaign designed to promote the effectiveness of print and to reinforce the fact that print on paper is a recyclable and renewable and thus a sustainable environmental choice.

First launched in January 2011, the Choose Print campaign has used a variety of online and offline tools to get the message out. At the hub is this website (www.chooseprint.org), which acts as a clearinghouse to bring together recent research and links to credible websites that tell the story about the marketing power and environmental record of print.

To drive people to this website, Choose Print has used print ads, direct mail postcards, printed brochures, reprintable articles, news releases, YouTube videos, vehicle wraps and social media. Choose Print has also been showcased at trade shows and expos, and featured in articles in industry publications.

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