COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRADUATES TO BE HONORED AT CEREMONIES IN MAY

AUGUSTA, Maine – Over 3,100 college students are scheduled to graduate from Maine’s seven community colleges at commencement exercises around the state this month. The graduates join 26,000 others who have earned their degrees at a Maine community college over the past decade.

Speakers at this year’s commencement exercises, as well as the times, dates, and locations are as follows:

Saturday, May 9
**Eastern Maine Community College**, Bangor, 10 am (449 graduates)
Speaker: Elaine Rosen, Chair of the Kresge Foundation, Board Member of The Foundation for Maine’s Community Colleges
Location: Cross Insurance Center, Bangor

Thursday, May 14
**Central Maine Community College**, Auburn, 6 pm (527 graduates)
Speaker: Rick Malinowski, External Relations Manager & Site HR Manager Procter and Gamble/Tambrands
Location: Androscoggin Bank Colisée, Lewiston

Friday, May 15
**Washington County Community College**, Calais, 11 am (153 graduates)
Speaker: Colonel Diane Dunn, Brigade Commander, 120th Regional Support Group, Maine Army National Guard
Location: Calais High School

Saturday, May 16
**Kennebec Valley Community College**, Fairfield/Hinckley, 10 am (427 graduates)
Speaker: U.S. Senator Angus King
Location: Augusta Civic Center

**Northern Maine Community College**, Presque Isle, 10 am (251 graduates)
Speaker: Luke Shorty, Executive Director, Maine School of Science and Math
Location: The Forum, Presque Isle

**York County Community College**, Wells, 10 am (276 graduates)
Speaker: Mark Eves, Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives
Location: Ogunquit Playhouse

Sunday, May 17
**Southern Maine Community College**, South Portland/Brunswick, 2 pm (1,042 graduates)
Speaker: Dr. John Fitzsimmons
Location: Cross Insurance Arena, Portland

Note: The number of graduates at each college is preliminary. Final numbers may change.