

MAINE CITIZENS FOR CLEAN ELECTIONS COMES TO WASHINGTON COUNTY

20/10 Tour Celebrates 10 Years of Clean Elections

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(September 9, 2010) --- Washington County is the second stop in a statewide tour to celebrate ten years of Clean Elections by reconnecting with the people who made Clean Elections possible – Maine voters. The Tour will stop at Rotary Clubs and other community groups as well as local newspapers, radio stations and public access TV shows.

MCCE will be presenting a power point at the Machias Rotary on the 14th and the Calais Rotary on the 15th. Both presentations will look at the commitment made by Maine people in passing the act and its successes to date. The Maine Clean Election Act took effect in 2000. Recently, publicly funded elections across the country have been under attack by well-funded special interests.

MCCE Co-Chairs Ann Luther and Alison Smith will spearhead the tour along with a host of supporters, volunteers and those who have used Clean Elections in the past.

Ann Luther said: “Ten years ago the Maine Clean Election Act put voters in the driver’s seat, and today the system is used by about 80% of Maine candidates across the state and in all parties. Candidates like it because it allows them to run better campaigns – campaigns that are focused on voters, not donors. And voters like it because they know their representatives will serve without ties to special interests.”

For more information about Clean Elections, go to:

<http://www.mainelections.org/>

EVENT INFORMATION:

September 14th

Machias Rotary

5:30 pm

Bluebird Ranch Restaurant, Machias

September 15th

Calais Rotary

Location: Calais Methodist Home

Time: 12:00 pm

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