

A Breed Apart



**Maine Drilling
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MD&B Honored with Local President's Award

Gardiner, ME (24 March 2010) – The Gardiner Board of Trade celebrates local business success stories annually. This year they are recognizing five businesses, including: Dennison Lubricants, Maine Drilling and Blasting, Dr. 's Paul Pidgeon & Kathleen Peters of Gardiner Family Chiropractic, Black Diamond Consulting, and the Savings Bank of Maine. Although each of these businesses is located in Gardiner, Maine, many deliver their services statewide, and across the entire northeast and country.

“The Gardiner Board of Trade is pleased to recognize such a talented group of local businesses this year. The quality of jobs and services that these companies bring to the community is truly impressive,” says Nick Alberding, President of the Gardiner Board of Trade.

MD&B President and CEO, Bill Purington comments, “Even though Maine Drilling & Blasting has grown in size and scope of services since 1966, the company has never strayed from its founding principles or its focus on local service. And therein lies our success. As we expand to serve new markets, we’ve made it a point to maintain a local presence in communities throughout the Northeast. My parents started the business at their kitchen table in Gardiner, and we’re still here today. We’re very proud of this award and its local focus.”

The Gardiner Board of Trade has distinguished Maine Drilling & Blasting with their President's Award:

Maine Drilling & Blasting (MD&B) is this year's winner of the *President's Award*. Ted, Sr. and Judy Purington began MD&B in 1966 as a family business at their home in Gardiner. From the first job of drilling a foundation for a cellar, Ted immediately established a reputation for exceptional quality in every facet. Since then, the company hit the milestone of performing one million controlled blasts for various projects, including highways, site development, quarries, house lots, utilities and marine work. The company maintains a competitive edge by engineering creative solutions and taking on new challenges, such as those found in the growing energy industry. Today's company is run by President and CEO, Bill Purington. Although still a family business, 25% of the company is now employee owned. MD&B has its corporate office at 423 Brunswick Avenue in Gardiner, Maine and remains one of the community's largest employers. The company also maintains offices in New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut, with the emphasis on local service. To contact the Gardiner location, please call 207-582-2338 or visit their website at: <http://www.mdandb.com/>.

Maine Drilling & Blasting, recognized as a leader in the industry and a long-term contributor to the local community, offers drilling and blasting services to the construction and quarry markets, along with a variety of specialty services throughout the Northeastern United States, including rock bolting, hoe ramming, engineering, public relations, preblast surveys and packaged and bulk distribution.

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