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Tuesday		Start Time	End Time
USDA Rural Development	Farmers' Panel – Making USDA Work for You! Learn from a panel of Maine farmers who have used USDA programs to improve their agricultural businesses. USDA Rural Development State Director Rhiannon Hampson, Farm Service Agency Farm Loan Chief Lucia Brown, and Natural Resources Conservation Service District Conservationist Peter Abello will facilitate the discussion and help field audience questions.	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
Maine Tasting Center	How Co-opetition Can Help You (And Your Competitors) Grow Market Share - Hear from SCORE business mentors, and business owners who share first-hand experience to	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
Maine Ag in the Classroom	Celebrate the local agriculture in our schools! Outstanding, award-winning teachers share their Ag education program.	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
National Farmworker Jobs Program	Learn about the National Farmworker Jobs Program (NFJP) a nationally-directed, locally-administered program of services for migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their dependents.	4:00 PM	5:00 PM
Wednesday	(Continues on pg. 2)	Start Time	End Time
Maine Marinara Collaborative	Learn about the delicious Maine ingredients coming together for this blend of Maine-made sauce helping highlight local processing and scalable menu choices for institutions throughout the state!	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
The Good Crust	Learn about the Maine grains used for this delicious dough, and the evolution of this start-up business expanding new product lines for customers in Maine and beyond!	12:00 PM	1:00 PM

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The Maine Cheese Guild	Looking to explore more Maine cheese this coming year? Meet the cheesemaker and learn how more than 60 brands and businesses are making award-winning, mouthwatering cheese from Maine!	2:00 PM	3:00 PM
Maine 4-H Dairy Team Recipe Demo	Learn how to make the award-winning grilled cheese and wild blueberry milkshake recipe from Maine's 4-H dairy team. Enjoy tasty samples featuring Maine ingredients!	4:30 PM	6:00 PM
Thursday		Start Time	End Time
Harvesting Maine Podcast	Discussion about current Maine farm, foods and agricultural news	9:00 AM	9:30 AM
Maine Immigrant Greens Collaborative	Learn how Maine farms, communities, and processors are inviting new Mainers to the table by helping feature locally grown, hearty greens (collard greens, kale, and up-cycled brassica leaves).	12:00 PM	1:00 PM