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APPENDIX TO THE LEGISLATIVE RECORD 118TH MAINE LEGISLATURE

The following expressions of Legislative Sentiment appeared in the House Calendar between December 4, 1996 and April 9, 1998 pursuant to Joint Rule 213: (These sentiments are dated December 4, 1996 through December 1, 1998.)

Warner A. Howard, for 40 years of dedicated service and commitment as the Pastor of the North Nobleboro Baptist Church. Pastor Howard is an inspiration to church parishioners and others in his community. We extend our appreciation for his service to others; (HLS 1)

Dan and Shirli Allen, who have received the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce 1996 Community Service Award for their tremendous contribution to performing arts in the region. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 2)

Edith Woodard, of Corea, who has served the children in the Gouldsboro Elementary School system in the Nutrition Program for the past 40 years and has had a great impact on the learning results of those children. We extend our congratulations to her; (HLS 3)

Arian Leigh Haghkerdar, 12, of Bangor, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was a seventh grade honor student and active in the Youth Fellowship at Hammond Street Congregational Church and Girl Scouts. Arian will be greatly missed by her family and loving friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 4)

the South Portland High School Football Team, the Red Riots, who are the 1996 State Class A Football Champions, and in extending our congratulations to them on their achievement; (HLS 5)

Michael Jeffrey, of Brewer, upon his retirement from coaching high school soccer. Over the past 2 decades, his contributions at Southern Aroostook, Mt. Desert Island and Brewer High Schools, and as head of the Maine Soccer Coaches Association, has helped spread the sport of soccer across the State. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 6)

Hall-Dale Field Hockey Team members Joy Bengtson, Kimberley Boulier, Theresa Clark, Courtney Davis, Sara Davis, Katie Evans, Abby Garofalo, Lindsey Graham, Kimberly Gray, Corrie Howe, Heidi Johnson, Katherine Lane, Carolyn Mathews, Christie Monteith, Lucinda Perfetto, Suzanne Pratt, Kimberly Stowers, Shauna Sweet, Erica Webber and Michelle Barry; team manager Sara Davis; and Coach Ellen Vickers, winners of the 1996 Class C State Field Hockey Championship; (HLS 7)

Thomas Drehobl, of Brunswick, whose dedication and service as Director of the Brunswick Housing Authority for 23 years contributed to the betterment of the community and whose compassion helped the lives of many Brunswick citizens, particularly those less fortunate. He will be sadly missed by those who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 8)

Lila Millett Brown, of Gray, beloved wife of Perley Brown. They are now together again. She was a devoted and caring mother of 3 and a sharing and giving grandmother. She touched so many with her tenderness and love. While we grieve we will remember the deeper the sorrow carves in our being, the more joy we can contain. Lila will be sadly missed by her family and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 9)

Representative William F. Reed, of Dexter, who served with distinction in the Maine State Legislature as a Member of the House of Representatives in the 115th, 116th and 117th Legislatures. We acknowledge his unselfish and dedicated contributions to the State of Maine, and extend our warmest wishes; (HLS 10)

Erma Lyons, of Medway, on the occasion of her 100th birthday; (HLS 11)

the following members of the Monmouth Academy boys soccer team, who are the 1996 Western Maine Class D Soccer Champions: Conor Crawford, Josh Leeman, Zach Leeman, Jeff Paradis, Jesse Quirion, Matt Quirion, Lauro Segundo, Chad Sirois, Ron Smith, Tom Berube, Matt Blais, Mark Michaud, Stan Dumont, Tom Gardner, Evan Behles, Joe Carr, Chris Foss, Dary Stroup, Shelby Turcotte, Head Coach Gary Trafton, and team managers Katie Tibbetts and Ginger Bragg. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 12)

Ervin V. and Evelyn E. Boxwell on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 13)

Elizabeth Socec, of Augusta, on the honored occasion of her 90th birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 14)

the Veterans of Foreign War Post #9459 in Lisbon for the burning of their 30-year mortgage. Their commitment to this goal through dedicated members and leadership serves as an inspiration to all in Lisbon. Their continuous visibility in the community and their dedication and involvement with the youth is greatly appreciated. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 15)

Brian J. Pelletier, of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 16)

Donald R. Early, of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 17)

Zachary P. Stover, of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 18)

John Santerre, of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 19)

Andrew Martin Gowen, of the Bath Area Boy Scout Troop #21, who has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 20)

Matthew Clark, of Norway, who through his dedication, perseverance and hard work has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 21)

Donald A. Strout, of Corinth, in appreciation of his 24 years of service in the Maine State Legislature. Representative Strout was first elected to the Legislature in 1972 for the 106th Legislature. He served on the Transportation Committee and most recently served as Chair of that committee. During the 115th, 116th and 117th Legislatures he also served on the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee. Over the past quarter century Don's commitment and kindness to the people of District 125 have been greatly appreciated. We extend our best wishes for the future; (HLS 22)

Emily Brissette, a student at Hampden Academy, who scored in the 99th percentile on the Maine Educational Assessment tests. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 23)

Craig M. Parsons, of Boy Scout Troop #41 in Hampden, who has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 24)

Gwilym Roberts, Professor Emeritus at the University of Maine at Farmington, on his 80th birthday. He taught at Farmington for 43 years and holds the record for the longest tenured teacher in the University of Maine System. Professor Roberts also served in the Maine House of Representatives from 1984-86. He still lectures throughout New England and is active in the Alumni Foundation and Services at UMF. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 25)

Mr. Hastings "Bun" Bartley who has devoted more than 40 years of service to the Boy Scouts of America, Troop #57. We extend our warmest wishes for the future; (HLS 26)

Robert King, Sr., of Whitefield, upon completion of his term as President of Maine Metal Products Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 27)

Bruce D. Olsen, Ph.D., a specialist in speech and hearing disorders, who was clinical manager of speech and language audiology at Mid-Maine Medical Center, directing the F.T. Hill Center for Communication Disorders. He was serving his first term on the Waterville City Council and was an active member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. Bruce was universally loved not only for his many contributions but also for his gentle humor and unflagging patience. He will be sadly missed by his family, friends and community; (HLS 28)

Mary Bowers, of Bangor, for being selected as an intern for the Presidential Classroom program. Presidential Classroom interns assist outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across the United States in learning about U.S. government and politics. Mary was the only person from New England selected for this honor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 29)

Anne, Jack and Marshall Spiegel, of Portland, for their generous donation of 150 acres of land as an addition to Bradbury State Park in Pownal. We extend our appreciation and best wishes for the future; (HLS 30)

Amy Ruksznis, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the All Academic All-State Team by the Maine Field Hockey Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes: (HLS 31)

Clair and Eldora Carter, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Carter were married on December 21, 1946 in Oakfield. We extend our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 32)

Mark Kramer, who has been named to the 1996 Portsmouth Herald All Seacoast Football Team. Mark is a Defensive Back for Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 33)

Alicia Estes, who has been named the 1996 Portsmouth Herald All Seacoast Runner of the Year for Girls Cross Country. This is the second consecutive year Alicia has received this honor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 34)

Kiley Martin, of Millinocket, who has completed the requirements for the Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 35)

Tuffy Laffin, of Westbrook, a former city councilor and Maine State Legislator, who served 2 terms in the Maine House of Representatives. He was also involved in sports, organizing many baseball and football leagues. He will be sadly missed by community, friends and family; (HLS 36)

Ken Rich, upon his retirement after serving more than 4 years as Harbormaster for the City of Rockland. The entire community has benefited from Ken's strong advocacy for the harbor and dedication to his work. We appreciate his service to the community and wish him well; (HLS 37)

Jared Beers, who has been named to the 1996 Portsmouth Herald All Seacoast Football Team. Jared is a Running Back for Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 38)

Janelle Proctor, of Traip Academy, who has scored 1000 points in girls' basketball. She is the first girl in the history of Traip Academy to achieve this feat. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 39)

Mae Schuman, of Bremen, on the honored occasion of her 101st birthday, celebrated on December 6, 1996. We extend our warmest congratulations; (HLS 40)

Mae and Gerald Hart, of Waterville, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hart were wed on November 11, 1946. We extend our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 41)

Keith Doyen, of Willard C. Doyen and Sons in Mapleton, who was recently named the 1996 Young Farmer of the Year by the Maine Potato Board. Keith, who has been farming with his family almost all his life, will now be traveling to Louisiana, New Jersey and Washington, D.C., attending meetings and conferences with the National Potato Council. We extend our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 42)

the China School Tree Farm, upon being selected as the Outstanding Tree Farmer for 1997. The China tree farm was chosen for its sound forest management practices and community outreach. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 43)

Brianna Rolerson, of Islesboro, who has completed the requirements for the Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 44)

Raymond and Orissie Faloon, of Medway, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary on January 17, 1997. We extend our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 45)

Therese Workman, a student at Waterville High School, who scored in the 99th percentile on the Maine Educational Assessment tests. Therese has also been the recipient of several art, service and citizenship awards. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes for the future; (HLS 46)

Sayward Carolin, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has completed the requirements for the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 47)

Michel P. Levesque, of Fort Kent, who has been named the 1997 Fort Kent Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year. Affectionately known as Mickey, he attended local schools and graduated from Fort Kent High School in 1962. Mickey has been involved in many civic and sports activities, is an avid supporter of children's activities, and continues to operate the hot dog stand he began working for at age 9. Mickey is a great inspiration to the people of Fort Kent. We offer our heartfelt congratulations; (HLS 48)

Joshua Gagnon, of Boy Scout Troop #139, upon achieving the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 49)

Dr. Theodore H. Vrooman, of Holden, an admired and respected professor at the University of Maine, College of Education, where he retired in 1986. He was a World War II veteran and past master of the Webster, NY Chapter of the Masonic Lodge. Dr. Vrooman will be remembered as a gentleman who was loved by everyone. He will be missed by family, friends and the entire University community; (HLS 50)

Mitchell Cope, of Portland, on his 80th birthday. Mr. Cope served both as a Maine State Representative and a Maine State Senator. He also held the office of Mayor of Portland; (HLS 51) Michelle Fish, of Windham, who was named to the Soccer All-America team; (HLS 52)

Reverend Mr. Eugene J. Loring, of Indian Island. A World War II veteran, lieutenant governor of the Penobscot Indian Nation, and leader of the Penobscot Indian Corps, he was also a master craftsman in the art of basketmaking. Eugene was ordained to the Order of Permanent Deacons, the first for a Penobscot Indian and the first permanent deacon for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland. He was married for nearly 50 years to the former Laura Meader. Eugene will be sadly missed by his friends, family and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 53)

Marvin H. Hayes, Maine State Police Detective, who is retiring after 20 years of service to the Maine State Police and the citizens of Maine. We extend our warmest congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 54)

the dedicated volunteers of Mid-Coast Compeer, caring friends for people receiving mental health treatment. Mid-Coast Compeer is part of an international program providing friendship as an integral part of the healing process. We extend our best wishes for continued growth to the Mid-Coast Compeer program; (HLS 55)

Priscilla Hall, of Topsham, on the occasion of her retirement as Town Manager for the Town of Topsham. She has worked in the same building at 22 Elm Street during her 24-year career as a town employee. Mrs. Hall served as the secretary for many boards of selectmen and town managers before being appointed town manager. We extend our appreciation to her for her years of invaluable service to the citizens of the Town of Topsham; (HLS 56)

John Ramsay Brown, who will be celebrating his 100th birthday on February 17, 1997. John, who had a life-long love of music, has played in the Erie Symphony Orchestra, the Shrine band and also directed bands and orchestras in Erie, Pennsylvania. He came to Maine after retiring from the Erie School System. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 57)

A. Forrest Nelson, of New Sweden, who has received the Boston Post gold-topped cane as the oldest resident of New Sweden. Mr. Nelson turned 91 years of age in July 1996; (HLS 58)

the Town of Monson, on the occasion of its 175th anniversary. We would like to extend our best wishes to the good citizens of the Town of Monson for continued success and achievement as they look forward to the future; (HLS 59)

David S. Porter, of Boy Scout Troop #866 in Windham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 60)

Dr. Marshall J. Gerrie, Sr., of Waterville, an original founder of the present-day Inland Hospital and beloved husband, father and grandfather. He will be fondly remembered for his contributions, effective leadership and many years of dedicated service to the medical community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 61)

Amy E. Tripp, of Topsham, as she continues her personal fight back from a disabling mental illness. A five-time Maine State high school champion track star from Mt. Ararat School, Amy is also an All-American college cross country athlete at the University of Southern Maine. Her strength in returning from adversity will always make her a "hero" to her mother and father. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 62)

Jaye S. Umberger, of West Rockport, beloved wife of Robert C. Umberger, devoted mother and grandmother whose adventurous spirit will be missed. Mrs. Umberger was an accomplished equestrian, singer, artist, linguist and author, including articles in Readers Digest. Her art has been displayed at Farnsworth Museum. She and her husband completed a trip around the world in 1995. For the past 25 years she has operated an antique business. She will be missed by the citizens of West Rockport; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 63)

Bonnie Britton, of York, for her inspiration and her devotion to educating people about cancer during her courageous battle with this disease. Bonnie, a student at Coastal Ridge Elementary School, has already made, at the age of ten, a video about cancer, spoken to graduate and undergraduate classes at Boston University, talked to local community organizations and has met with President Clinton. She lives with her mom and dad, Kathleen and Bill, and her brother, Jackson. We extend our best wishes; (HLS 64)

Ian Richards, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Cross-Country All Star Team. Ian placed 3rd in the regionals and 5th in the Class C Western Maine Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 65)

Karen Tuttle, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Conference All Star Field Hockey Team by the conference coaches. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 66)

Erica Davis, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Conference All Star Field Hockey Team by the conference coaches. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 67)

Mark Kramer, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been named to the Campbell Conference Class C All Star Football Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 68)

Jared Beers, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been named to the Campbell Conference Class C All Star Football Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 69)

Eugene and Mildred Leland, of Kittery, on the special occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Leland were married on September 29, 1936 in Bar Harbor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 70)

Helen Janice and Arthur O. Fletcher, Jr., of Kittery, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 14, 1996, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 71)

the Waynflete School Girls Soccer Team, in Portland, the 1996 Class D State Soccer Champions, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 72)

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lawson, Jr., of Eliot, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson were married on October 20, 1946 in the First Congregational Church in Eliot. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 73)

Arthur and Elaine Peverly, of Kittery, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Peverly were wed on May 20, 1944. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 74)

Lorraine Allen, of Scarborough, who worked at the Town of Scarborough polls for numerous years and was loved by everyone in the community. She was a loving wife and superb mother to her two children. She will be missed by her family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 75)

Elizabeth Miller, of Norridgewock, who has served the Town of Norridgewock as a Selectman, Town Historian and a life member of the Maine Old Cemetery Association. For over 25 years Betty has served as a trustee of the Free Public Library and has maintained scrapbooks of current events and has also collected town maps and old pictures. The Town of Norridgewock, in appreciation of all her work, will observe February 23, 1997, as "Elizabeth Miller Day." We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 76)

Raymond H. Marcotte for providing automotive sales and service for 50 years at the same location in Old Orchard Beach. He is a respected figure in the Old Orchard business community. We extend our best wishes for the future; (HLS 77)

Owen and Evelyn Page, of Lincoln, and in extending our best wishes on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary; (HLS 78)

Lauretta "Belle" Rush, of Millinocket, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Mrs. Rush will be remembered for her many years of dedicated service to her community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 79)

Martin E. Aftuck, of Edgewater, Florida and summer resident of Turner, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 80)

Floyd and Marie O'Neal, of Caswell, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 22, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 81)

Sarah Sherman Brewer, of Southport, who has become an accomplished Maine author. Sarah's work entitled <u>Southport the War Years - An Island Remembers</u> was recently published by Cozy Harbor Press. We salute Sarah for her tremendous success and look forward to her future work; (HLS 82)

the First Parish Senior Choir, of Gorham, for being selected to sing in Vienna, Austria's 14th annual International Advent Sing. Participants were Ann Mason-Osann, director; Beth Barefoot-Jones, accompanist; Nancy and Roger Acker-Wolfhagen, Richard Barden, Thomas Brewster, Carole Brown, Anne Emerson, Barbara Guimond, Dana and Kathy Hodgkins, Stephen Jones, Amy Kimball, Susan Knedler, Marion Marsh, Richard Mason-Osann, Nils Peter Mickelson, Barbara and Paul Neal, Clark Neily, Rosamond Phinney, Sarah Potter, Allison and John Rimkunas, Cynthia Smith, Beverly Snee, and Diane Trafton. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 83)

Robert E. Murray, Sr., former chairman of Bangor and Penobscot County Democratic committees. He and his family were hosts in 1978 to President Jimmy Carter and later was named to receive the first briefing on SALT II treaties by the President and Zbigniew Brzezinski, national security adviser. Married for 50 years to the former Laura Guite, and the father of five children, Bob also shared his time, talents and faith with his family, church and community. He will be sadly missed by all those whose lives he touched; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 84)

Dr. Debra J. Summers, Ph.D., of Scarborough, who was a loving wife, mother and friend to all. She was an outstanding community leader who touched many lives and will be sadly missed by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 85)

Rebecca Plummer, of Belfast, recipient of the Girl Scout Silver Award. This award, the highest in Cadette Girl Scouting, recognizes excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 86)

Amanda Boguen, of Belfast, recipient of the Girl Scout Silver Award. This award, the highest in Cadette Girl Scouting, recognizes excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 87) Carrie Caputo, of Belfast, recipient of the Girl Scout Silver Award. This award, the highest in Cadette Girl Scouting, recognizes excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 88)

Linda G. Karod, of Camden, upon her promotion to the rank of Colonel, the highest rank held by a female officer in the Maine Army National Guard. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 89)

John M. and Arlene M. Randall, of Kittery Point, and in extending our best wishes on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 8, 1996; (HLS 90)

Stan and Glenda Gadbois, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 15, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 91)

Andrea Cochrane, of Mt. View High School, who has been chosen as recipient of Wendy's Heismann Female Athlete of the Year for the State of Maine. Andrea was chosen for her outstanding athletic ability, academic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 92)

Jerry Sytsema, upon his retirement as General Manager of Maine Potato Growers Inc. after 16 years of service. During his tenure, Jerry instituted many changes and helped to build the organization into a multi-million dollar business. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 93)

Todd L. Bernard, who has been named South Portland's Police Officer of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 94)

James M. Langella for 20 years of distinguished service to the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department. We extend our warmest wishes for the future; (HLS 95)

Waldo Hardison, who has been named Caribou's Citizen of the Year. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 96)

Heath D. Weatherbee, of Boy Scout Troop #57 in Millinocket, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 97)

Larry W. McAfee, of Troop A, upon his retirement from the Maine State Police after 26 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes for the future; (HLS 98)

the Town of Addison on the occasion of its 200th anniversary and in extending our best wishes to the good citizens of Addison for continued success and achievement as they look to the future; (HLS 99)

John Tucker, Chairman of the Fire Department and Municipal Building Committee, for his contribution of countless hours of volunteer work in the development and construction of the new Waterford Municipal Complex and Fire Station. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Tucker for making this project such a success; (HLS 100)

the citizens of the Town of Waterford on the occasion of the dedication of its new Municipal Complex and Fire Station. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 101)

Edith Grendell, of Mapleton, and in extending our best wishes on her 80th Birthday, January 9, 1997; (HLS 102)

Ina Ferguson, of Caribou, and in extending our best wishes on her 100th Birthday, March 31, 1997; (HLS 103)

Jason deWildt, of Boy Scout Troop #338 in South Berwick, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 104)

Christopher Hunt, of Boy Scout Troop #338 in South Berwick, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 105)

Edna Achorn Weaver, who was born on February 18, 1895 in the Orff's Corner section of Waldoboro. The oldest living citizen in the Town of Waldoboro, Edna is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 106)

William Fletcher, who was presented the NIAAA Distinguished Service Award by the National Athletic Directors Association. This award recognizes his service to youth after 40 years as teacher, coach, athletic director, principal and acting superintendent in the Lincoln, Falmouth, Howland, Dexter and Brewer School Systems. Mr. Fletcher currently is director of the Eastern Maine Basketball Tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 107)

Robert Provencher, Jr., of Wells, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 108)

Edward Fremeau, of Kittery, whose contributions to the Town of Kittery include his service as Selectman, Chairman of the Town Council, Chairman of the Charter Committee, President of the Southern Maine Fish and Game Club, Chairman of the Mitchell School Building Committee and member of the Sewer Building Committee. He will be sadly missed by his community, friends and family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 109)

Amy Louise Ruksznis, of Traip Academy in Kittery, for receiving a Good Citizenship award from the Old York Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Amy was selected for her dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 110)

Ernest J. Burke, who has been named the 1996 Correction's Officer of the Year for the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 111)

Charles R. Elliott for 25 years of dedicated service to the State of Maine in the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 112)

John Logan, of Westfield, upon receiving the Maine Potato Board President's Award, presented for the hard work he performed as Director of Marketing and Quality Control. John's contributions, not only on the Maine Potato Board but also at WAGM television, include quality control, marketing, merchandising and promotion of agriculture and forestry throughout Aroostook County and the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 113)

Robert Marshall, who unselfishly volunteered his time to establish an unofficial Legislative Web Page containing information about the State's Legislature and its Legislators. His work provided the knowledge and impetus to help the Maine State Legislature establish its own Web Page. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 114)

William "Bill" Hydorn, of St. Albans, a purple heart recipient and decorated veteran of the United States Air Force. Bill, who was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and greatgrandfather will be missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 115)

Ralph and Gloria Emery, of St. Albans, for their assistance in locating, stabilizing, and protecting an elderly neighbor who had become disoriented and had wandered from her home in December of 1996. Mr. and Mrs. Emery's efforts prevented a possible tragedy from occurring. Our thanks and good wishes go to them; (HLS 116)

Thomas Blaisdell, of Buxton, for his years of service with the Maine Emergency Management Agency. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 117)

the Rev. Frederick W. Whittaker, of Holden, a beloved pastor, husband, father, and grandfather. Rev. Whittaker served his community through the church and also devoted years of public service, including three terms on the Bangor City Council and one term as a Senator in the 101st Maine Legislature. He will be missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 118)

Sam DiPietro, for his years of distinguished public service, including 4 terms in the Maine State Legislature. We extend our best wishes; (HLS 119)

Robert J. Gillis, Jr., of Calais, a former City Councilor, County Commissioner, and 3-term Maine State Representative. He will be sadly missed by community, friends and family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 120)

Chris Tice, of Traip Academy, for being named to the Western Maine Class C All Star Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 121)

Sandra C. Ware, upon her retirement as Town Tax Collector for the Town of Alfred, a position she has served well for 22 years. We extend our best wishes; (HLS 122)

Leslie Johnson, of Millinocket, a veteran of the United States Navy and an active member of the Francis E. Elliott Post No. 4154 VFW and the Donald V. Henry Post No. 80 American Legion. Leslie retired from Great Northern Paper Co. in 1989 after 37 years of dedicated service. He will long be remembered by his loving family and all those he knew; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 123)

Christopher G. Walsworth, of Boy Scout Troop #172, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 124)

Alice Philbrick, who, at the age of 97, was the oldest citizen of Alton. Mrs. Philbrick served several years as Town Treasurer and was also a member of the school committee. She will be missed by the citizens of Alton and remembered as a beloved wife, mother and grandmother; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 125)

the following members of the Dexter High School Wrestling Team, winners of the Maine State Class C Championship: Phil Mosley, Adam Gudroe, Tim Welch, Ken Welch, Sean Cole, Robert Luff, Ed Cooney, Adam Page, Justin Cardelli, Graydon Spencer, Brian Beem, Bruce Beem, Jonathan Wilbur, George Venturelli, Eric Shaw, John Bryer and Aaron Thompson; coaches Dave Gudroe and Sean Wilbur; and managers Jenni Curtis, Stephanie Wiehn and Mandy Hanscom. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 126)

Robert Palmer, of Newport, for his outstanding achievement in being named "Civilian Employee of the Year" by the Sheriff's Association; (HLS 127)

the South Portland Public Library, which celebrated its 30th Anniversary on December 10, 1996. The library has proven itself to be an essential community resource in a multi-media culture by providing services spanning pre-school to the home-bound elderly. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 128)

Benjamin B. Stackpole, of Boy Scout Troop #214 in Thomaston, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 129)

Dr. Sidney R. Branson, of Windham, and in extending our congratulations on the occasion of his 85th Birthday; (HLS 130)

Steven James Sutton, of Boy Scout Troop #648 in Brunswick, who has achieved the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations; (HLS 131)

An Open Rose, for being named Fort Fairfield's Outstanding Business of 1996. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 132)

JoAnna Forbush, of Houlton, recipient of the Girl Scout Silver Award, the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 133)

Norma Newcomb, of Scarborough, who was employed by the Scarborough school system for 27 years and was the assistant librarian for more than 20 of those years. Norma was known for her lively personality and quick wit. She will be missed by her family, students, and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 134)

the Machias Memorial High School Cheerleaders: Chrissy Thibodeau, Alissa Ackley, Shawn Woodbury, Renee Hatch, Michelle Ashlaw, Mountain Robicheau, Shariden Schoppee, Samantha Pennell, Veronica Guerra, Melissa J. Smith, Christy Walat, Crystal Wood, Jennifer Moore, and Heather Correll; Manager Julie Smith and Coach Laurie Schoppee, winners of the 1997 Class D State Cheerleading Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 135)

Theodore "Bucky" Gerrish, Jr., of Lebanon, a beloved husband, father, and grandfather. Mr. Gerrish was a charter member of the East Lebanon Fire Department and a bird enthusiast. He was an industrial electrician who worked for Cyro until his retirement in 1988. He will be missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 136)

Charles and Keyth Carter, of Shirley, on the occasion of their 25th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 137)

John Wakefield for serving the town of Livermore for 28 years as a School Board Member of SAD 36. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 138)

LTC John Edward Gormely, Sr., (Ret.), a decorated World War II veteran who was active in the Knights of Columbus, the Bangor Lodge of Elks No. 244, the Isaac E. Clewley VFW Post No. 4917 and was a Charter Commander of the Joshua Chamberlain Chapter No. 1865 Military Order of the Purple Heart. LTC Gormely will be sadly missed by his family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 139)

Idolande M. Bernier, a 45-year resident of Caswell, and a communicant of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Hamlin. Mrs. Bernier, a beloved wife, mother, sister, and grandmother, will be missed by her community, family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 140)

Lt. Toby Tiner, veteran policeman of Auburn, for unselfishly volunteering his time to raise funds for the Special Olympics. He will be representing Maine in the kickoff of the Special Olympics World Games, participating in the torch run. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 141)

Sadie Lewis, of Rockland, on the occasion of her 97th Birthday, February 11, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes: (HLS 142)

the Woodland High School Cheerleading Squad, winners of the Class C Cheerleading Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 143)

Isabelle M. Cormier, of Millinocket. She was employed at King's Department Store in Norfolk, Virginia until her retirement in 1979. Ms. Cormier will be sadly missed by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 144)

Lawrence R. Gordon Jr., for twenty years of dedicated service to the Town of Wiscasset, as First Selectman, Tax Assessor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 145)

Jeff Tudor, of Boy Scout Troop #16 in Brewer, upon achieving the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 146)

Lida May O'Neil, of Thomaston, on the occasion of her 102nd Birthday, January 9, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 147)

Phyllis G. "Phee" Curran, of South Portland, beloved mother of Edward, David and Peter, a former Member of the Maine State Legislature. She was a saleswoman for the Rines Brothers Co. and Owen Moore Department Stores for more than 25 years. Mrs. Curran was a lifelong communicant of Holy Cross Church, a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the National Association of Letter Carriers and served on the South Portland Democratic City Committee. She will be missed by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 148)

Lincoln Orff, a lifelong resident of Jefferson, who is retiring after serving the Town for 34 years as a selectman. Lincoln currently serves on the Waldoboro Bank Board of Directors, the Maine State Fair Board of Directors and is a Trustee and Secretary of Windsor Fair. The Town is dedicating this year's Town report to Lincoln to show their appreciation for his many contributions; (HLS 149)

Addison Rossignol, a first-grader at Caswell Elementary School, for placing second in a statewide essay contest sponsored by Cole Land Transportation Museum titled "What Freedom Means To Me After Interviewing A Veteran." We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 150)

Ralph H. Walsh, a World War II veteran, member of the American Legion, VFW and the Knights of Columbus and a communicant of St. Mary's and St. Matthew's Catholic Churches. He also volunteered his time with the blind and mentally retarded. Mr. Walsh was employed by the New England Telephone Company for 38 years, retiring in 1981. He will long be remembered as a beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 151)

Rose Lajoie, 100 years old, of Van Buren, who worked for many years as the sacristan at St. Bruno's Catholic Church. She was also a member of the Third Order of Mary and the Ladies of St. Anne. A beloved mother, grandmother, and greatgrandmother. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 152)

the Traip Academy Cheerleading Team upon winning the Class C Western Maine Regionals and placing third at the Class C State Championship. Team members include Katie Briggs, Jill Gauthier, Lauren Merrill, Sara Martin, Jessica Foley, Roula Iordanou, Vanessa Long, Jessica Dalton, Jennifer Gray, Sarah Varney, Melissa Poirier, Abbey Slaugenhoup, Heather Wheeler and Holly Wheeler; coach Alyssa Vachon; and team manager Rachel Hamel. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 153)

the following members of the Dexter High School Wrestling Team, winners of the 1997 Maine State Class C Championship: Phil Mosley, Adam Gudroe, Tim Welch, Ken Welch, Sean Cole, Robert Luff, Ed Cooney, Adam Page, Justin Cardelli, Graydon Spencer, Brian Beem, Bruce Beem, Jonathan Wilbur, George Venturelli, Eric Shaw, John Bryer and Aaron Thompson; coaches Dave Gudroe and Sean Wilbur; and managers Jenni Curtis, Stephanie Wiehn and Mandy Hanscom. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 154)

Joshua Collins Driscoll, of Yarmouth, upon achieving the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 155) Mark David Hempstead, of Yarmouth, upon achieving the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 156)

Daisy May Wilson, a longtime resident of Lincoln, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday on March 8, 1997. We extend our best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 157)

Jessica Cote, of Jay, for placing 1st in the one Kilometer, 1st in the 3 Kilometer and 3rd in the 4x100 Meter Relay in the Nordic Ski events during the 1997 World Winter Games. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 158)

East Branch Sno-Rovers Snowmobile Club, of Medway, upon their 25th Anniversary. The Sno-Rovers Snowmobile Club has promoted economic development, snowmobiling and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 159)

James Morse, of Limestone, in appreciation for his hard work and dedication to the people of Limestone and to the citizens of the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 160)

Robert Palmer Sr., of Presque Isle, for his hard work and dedication at the M&M Ministries' Soup Kitchen. Mr. Palmer's volunteer work helps to feed the hungry, collect food donations, and lift spirits. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 161)

Clifford O.T. Wieden, Jr., a longtime educator and past President of the University of Maine at Presque Isle. His dedication to and love for his community will long be remembered. Clifford will be sadly missed by his loving family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 162)

Richard Morse, of Thomaston, a valuable and active citizen, proud family man and former selectman. Richard will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 163)

Alvin and Norma Rackliff, of St. George, upon the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 164)

Fire Chief Peter Lamb, whose efforts in working with many agencies and personnel were instrumental in achieving a timely closure to a tragedy in the community of Lisbon. We extend our thanks to Chief Lamb for his professionalism and leadership; (HLS 165)

James Goss, of Boy Scout Troop #109 in Lisbon Falls, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 166)

Adam Stark, of Boy Scout Troop #109 in Lisbon Falls, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 167)

Dorothy Reynolds, on the occasion of her retirement after 46 years as a pharmacist serving the Town of Lisbon. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 168)

Perry E., affectionately known as Pierre Dubois, and Louise J. Wood, who have been named Honorary Franco-American Couple of the Year by the Lions Club on the occasion of the 18th Annual Franco-American celebration, April 12, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 169)

Jay Testa, of Woolwich, upon his 4th place finishes in the 50 Meter, the 100 Meter, and the 200 Meter Snowshoe events in the 1997 World Winter Games. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 170)

Pearl Morrill Hamlin, a lifelong resident of Piscataquis, upon the celebration of her 100th Birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 171) Susan Saunders, of Raymond, upon her retirement from local government after serving as both a member of the school committee and as a municipal officer for the last 24 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 172)

the Bonny Eagle Wrestling Team upon winning the State Class A Wrestling Title. Team members include Mike Alward, Chris Carleton, Chris Collins, Andy Gervais, Larry Pelletier, Nick Pinkham, Jake Sawyer, Steve Alward, Jason Chapman, Jason Foster, Kurt Gagnon, Sam Heck, John Knudsen, Kyle Purington, Chris Shaw, Sam Alley, Andy Bailey, Aaron Chapman, Dan Lamontagne, Dusty Marsh, Jerry Sawyer, Sean Williams, Adam Disanza, Peter Heggemen, Charlie Muldowney and Ben Shute. The team is coached by Brooks Clark and Mike Marsh and managed by Jessie Brunk. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 173)

Winslow Hockey Team upon winning the Class "B" State Hockey Championship. The team includes: Mark Hall, Nick McCann, Mark Gunning, Dan Allen, Dominic Soucie, Jon Taylor, Mike Loubier, Jake Savasuk, Seth Karter, Casey Bellows, Chad Dubois, Rob Fortin, Ryan Siviski, Jake Veileux, Jared Bailey, Jared Poulin, Charlie McCann, Jake Fraser, Sean Bridges, Brian White, Travis Bickford, Nick Roy, Chris Couturier, Ben Fraser, and manager Christy Legasse, Head Coach Lee Bureau, Assistant Coaches Spat Roy and David Miranda. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 174)

Dana D. Dogherty, of Augusta. Mr. Dogherty will fondly be remembered as a respected coach and educator as well as a role model and motivator. During his retirement he became an accomplished silversmith, goldsmith and glass blower who also taught for Augusta Adult Education. Coach Dogherty will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 175)

Calais High School Lady Blue Devils, winners of the 1997 Class C State Basketball Championship, coached by Bob McShane. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for the future; (HLS 176)

Samuel Crowell, recipient of the Town of Eliot's citizen of the year Fabyan Drake Award. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 177)

Christina Anderson, of Camden, who placed 4th in the 200 Meter Snowshoe, 3rd in the 400 Meter Snowshoe, 2nd in the 800 Meter Snowshoe and 1st in the 3x1 Kilometer Relay during the 1997 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Ontario. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 178)

Mary Palmer, of Island Falls, upon her 92nd Birthday, February 16th. Ms. Palmer received the Boston Post Cane for being the oldest resident of Island Falls. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 179)

the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, of East Madison, founded by Willard Cummings, Henry Varnum Poor, Anne Poor and Sidney Simon 50 years ago. This summer art school, which is one of the most prestigious in the country, is the only art school in the nation that teaches the fresco painting technique. The South Solon Meeting House, which is open to the public, is a repository of fresco paintings by alumni of the school. We extend our congratulations on your 50th Anniversary and best wishes for the future; (HLS 180)

Fay Cox, of Golden Ridge in Sherman, upon his 99th Birthday, February 15th. Mr. Cox, a farmer all his life, is still very active in the community and enjoys bowling. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 181)

Mary Campbell, for being named the 1996 Outstanding Director by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 182) Dr. Arthur D. Pendleton, upon his recognition by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce for his many years of service to the people of Fort Fairfield. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 183)

Charles Kurr for his 22 years of dedicated service with the Rockland Fire Department; (HLS 184)

Old Town High School Girls Swim Team upon winning the State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 185)

Old Town High School Boys Swim Team upon winning the State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 186)

Evangeline L. Bates, of Auburn, upon her 95th Birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 187)

Christopher R. Betts, of Strong, upon achieving the high rank of Eagle Scout on March 22, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 188)

the Katahdin High School Boys Basketball Team, upon being Eastern Maine Class C Runners-up. Team members include: Nick McNally, Chris Marston, Justin McNally, Randy Carver, Robbie Coyle, Wade Stubbs, Richard Schmidt, Shawn Cyr, David Brawn, Jon Mooney, Ben Rush, Willie Sleeper, Nick Cullen, Bryan Duffy, Ryan Robinson, and the managers are Veronica Daggett, Emily McNally and Nikki McAvoy. The team was coached by Billy McAvoy and assistant coach Bob Dyer. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 189)

the Town of Windham, for being named a high-performance government by Municipal Analysis Services Inc. Windham, in the category for towns with less than 50,000 residents, received the highest score in the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 190)

David A. Smith, Jr., of Oak Hill High School, winner of the 1996-1997 Western B Regional Wrestling Championship, 189 lb. class; (HLS 191)

Paul J. Favolise, Jr., of Columbia, a member of Boy Scout Troop #139, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 192)

Ethel "Billie" Wilson Gammon, founder and former executive director of the Washburn-Norlands Living History Center in Livermore, on her induction into the Women's Hall of Fame at the University of Maine, Augusta, Learning Resources Center. She taught in Livermore schools, served many years as a church youth group advisor and worked tirelessly over the years for the benefit of the Center. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her; (HLS 193)

Robert P. Bernier, of Millinocket, a beloved husband and father. Mr. Bernier was employed at Great Northern Paper Company and was a past president of the Carpenters and Joiners Union Local No. 658. He was a member of B.P.O.E. No. 1521 of Millinocket, coordinator for the Cub Scout Pack No. 66 and served on the Town Council for the last 12 years. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 194)

the Old Town High School Gymnastics Team upon winning the State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 195)

Madawaska High School Boys Ski Team upon winning the Boys Class C Skiing State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 196)

Madawaska High School Girls Ski Team upon winning the Girls Class C Skiing State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 197)

Pearl Coleman, of Kennebunk, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday and in recognition of her many contributions to her town and the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 198)

Almon Chamberlin Greenman, of Camden, who after serving as an Air Force officer in World War II was employed as a grain merchant by Cargill, Inc. from July 1932 until his retirement. Mr. Greenman led the effort of the Army Quartermaster Corps to maintain an adequate supply of grain to western Europe in the aftermath of the war. He will long be remembered for his love of music, tennis, swimming and gardening. Mr. Greenman was a beloved husband and father and will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 199)

Marshwood High School Wrestling Team upon completion of the regular season with a record of 20-0 and a tournament record of 7-0, winning the State Championship in Class B. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 200)

Andy Wright, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 275-pound weight class Wrestling State Championship, with a record of 43-0 as a sophomore. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 201)

Marshwood High School Basketball Team upon completion of the best season ever, finishing as Western Maine Class B Runners-up. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 202)

the following Houlton Shiretowners, winners of the State Class B Cheerleading Championship: team captains April Miller, Amy Sylvain, Courtney Good and Megan London; and Amy Blanchard, Melissa Carmichael, Alicia DeWitt, Carisa Goodrich, Liza Hammond, Christine Hills, Angela Merbach, Grace Nelson, Jodi Plourd, Sarah Porter, Kate Putnam, Elissa Skehan and Melissa Turner; and fifth year coach Shari Good. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 203)

Matt Golter, of the Traip Academy Wrestling Team, upon winning the team Class C State Title and placing 2nd in the individual 189-pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 204)

South Portland High School Girls Field Hockey Team, upon winning the Southwestern Maine Class A Field Hockey Championship under the direction of Coach Gretchen Cloutier. Team members include: Megan Beatty, Rebecca Bodfish, Nicole Dudkewicz, Sarah Dunphey, Trish Fitzgibbon, Lindsay Folland, Katherine Ghiloni, Jessica Hachey, Kyla Hoffman, Kristi Knights, Amanda Labaree, Jessica Lee, Jamie Libby, Erin McDonough, Caroline Quigley, Lindsay Rice, Monica Sobey, Arny Tordoff, Shannon Upton and Melissa Ward. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 205)

Diane Hopper on the occasion of her retirement after more than 30 years of public service, most recently as Program Coordinator for the Medicaid program and elderly low-cost drug program. Her dedication and devotion to the citizens of the State were revealed by her many late nights and her suggestions that often resulted in policy adjustments to improve services. Diane is held in high esteem by her peers and the numerous people she came in contact with during her years of public service. We extend our appreciation for a job superbly done and send congratulations and best wishes in her well-earned retirement; (HLS 206)

the week of March 16, 1997 as National Inhalant and Poisons Awareness Week to emphasize the dangers associated with "inhalant abuse," the practice of inhaling toxic vapors for mindaltering effects. Inhalant abuse can cause death; permanent brain damage; psychosis; loss of memory, hearing and sight; and can cause significant damage to the heart, lungs, kidneys, liver and bone marrow. Nearly one out of five young people in grades 6 through 12 in our State have abused inhalants at least once and the abuse is expected to continue. We encourage all citizens to become involved in increasing awareness of this silent epidemic; (HLS 207)

Darryl Buttrick, of Marshwood High School, who as a freshman won the 103-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship, with a record of 37-0. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 208)

Jake Demaris, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 112-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship, with a record of 38-2. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 209)

Scott Holton, of Marshwood High School Wrestling Team, who returned to the sport after being out with a broken arm, still completed the season with a record of 10-0 and placed 2nd in the 215-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 210)

Walter Hichens, of Eliot, who was a Member of the House of Representatives in the 103rd, 104th and 115th Legislatures and a Member of the Senate in the 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th and 112th Legislatures, upon his 80th Birthday, March 8, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 211)

the following members of the Cheverus High School Boys Basketball Team, who won the State Class A Basketball Championship: Richie Ashley, Ryan Demers, Matt Cavallaro, Matt Scader, BJ Schuyler, Angelo Salvaggio, Pat Morang, Anthony Profenno, Ian Doyle, Alvin Weisberg, Pat Clark, John Hoyt, Jason Robichaud, Adam Peters and Matt Rivard; and Head Coach Bob Brewer and Assistant Coach Gary Hoyt. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 212)

the Forest Hills Consolidated School "Lady Tigers," of Jackman, upon winning the 1997 State Class D Girls Basketball Championship. It is the school's first Class D championship and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 213)

Earl Ashmore, the recipient of the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce Top Drawer Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 214)

the following members of the Narraguagus High School Boys Basketball Team, who won the 1997 Eastern Maine Class C Basketball Championship and were runners up in the State Championship: Eric Benge, Ross Davis, Chad Dorr, Jerrid Farren, David Fraser, Bruce Hall, Jr., Joshua Leighton, Jared Look, John Look, Nicholas Lyford, Adam Meyer, Jason Pinkham, Arthur Tatangelo, Cameron Worcester, Michael Worcester and team managers Martin Hykkerud, Nicole Phinney, Ian Sawyer, Robbie Scott and Coaches Vincent MacLean, Jr., Fred Kneeland, Jr. and R. Michael Beal. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 215)

Octave and Theresa Fourcaudot, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Fourcaudot were married on January 15, 1947 and are the parents of Virginia, Anne and Louis. They also have 7 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We extend our best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 216)

Joseph and Bernadette Gill, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Gill were married on February 1, 1947 and are the parents of Daniel and Julie. They also have 3 grandchildren. We extend our best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 217)

Daric Buttrick, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 140-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship, with a record of 45-0 and setting 2 school records: most pins in his career and a record of most wins. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 218)

Jennifer Moleon, a Hermon High School student who has been selected as one of 20 students from around the nation to be honored by the U.S. School-To-Work Opportunities Office with a scholarship as part of the first "American Dream Award." This scholarship program is designed to help students reach their career goals and to support innovative school-to-work activities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Moleon for the future; (HLS 219)

Jeffrey Andrew Fortin, of Boy Scout Troop #228 in Bristol, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. He is the first Eagle Scout in his troop and in the town of Bristol. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 220)

the Southern Aroostook Lady Warriors, upon winning the 1997 Eastern Maine Class D Girls Basketball Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 221)

Christopher Michaud, of Boy Scout Troop #371 in Saco, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 222)

Janelle Proctor, of Traip Academy, who has been selected to the 1997 McDonald's All-Star Class C Girls Basketball Squad, and in extending our congratulations to her; (HLS 223)

Rear Admiral Harold "Rick" E. Grant, of Dover-Foxcroft, on the special occasion of his retirement from the United States Navy after over 30 years of distinguished service to his country. He graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1966 and has served active duty since that time, most recently as Judge Advocate General since 1993. We congratulate him on his outstanding and dedicated service and extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 224)

the Slovak Catholic Association in celebration of its 100th Anniversary. Since 1897 the association has remained true to the principles of this great country, a land where new immigrants helped each other and enhanced the spiritual, physical and traditional heritage of Slovakia. We salute your service to the Town of Lisbon and extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 225)

Richard C. Haynes, of Mattanawcook Academy, who is one of fifteen students in the State to score highest in the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the Maine Educational Assessment for 1996. He was honored at an awards ceremony at the Blaine House by Governor Angus King and local and state educational officials. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 226)

the coaches and team members of the Cheverus High School Indoor Track Team, of Portland, upon winning the Class A State Indoor Track Championship; (HLS 227)

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ireland on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, March 30, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 228)

Cara Moir, who has been named Rookie of the Year by the Maine Athletic Conference for her outstanding play this season in basketball; (HLS 229)

Tom Spiller, of the Traip Academy Wrestling Team, upon placing 1st in the Class C Regional Wrestling Meet and placing 2nd in the State in the individual 135-pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 230)

Matt Welch, of the Traip Academy Wrestling Team, upon placing 1st in the Class C Regional Wrestling Meet and placing 3rd in the State in the individual 171-pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 231)

Lauren Uncapher, of Eliot, who was chosen as an ambassador to Central Europe in the junior high school People to People International program. Lauren and other Maine students will participate in the 3-week educational summer program, which is designed to foster international goodwill. We extend our best wishes to Lauren for an enjoyable trip abroad; (HLS 232)

Steven Falco, Jordan Leavitt, and Benjamin Wooden from Academy Hill School in Wilton, upon selection as one of 48 regional winning teams from more than 5,000 team entries in the Toshiba/NSTA Explora Vision Award Program. The Explora Vision Award Program is an annual competition for students of all grade levels, interests and abilities, providing them with an opportunity to use their imagination to create a vision for the future. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 233)

Philip Justin Cutting, Jr., of Boy Scout Troop #453 in Belgrade, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 234)

Katrina L. Knox, a student at Carrabec High School, who has been selected to receive the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 235)

Leo Lebeau, a 7th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won 1st place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 236)

Tom Paine, a 6th grade student at the Garett Schenck School in Anson, who won 1st place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. Tom also won 3rd place in the state competition. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 237)

Jullian Manzer, a 7th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won 2nd place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 238)

Wesley Jordan, a 6th grade student at the Garett Schenck School in Anson, who won 2nd place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 239)

Lorene Knox, an 8th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won 2nd place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 240)

Amanda Conners, an 8th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won 1st place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. "Trails West" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 241)

Cybelle R. Barthelmess, a student at Madison High School, who has been selected to receive the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 242)

Presque Isle Fish and Game Club, upon celebrating its 50th Anniversary on March 25, 1997. The members of the Presque Isle Fish and Game Club epitomize the ideal of what fishermen and hunters in Maine should be and show how such a club can have a positive influence on the surrounding environment. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 243)

the Cape Elizabeth High School Boys Swim Team, who won the 1997 State Class A Championship, and in extending our congratulations to them on their achievement; (HLS 244) Andrew Strout, of Cape Elizabeth High School, who has been named New England Boys Soccer Coach of the Year for the 2nd consecutive year. His soccer team members have been the State Class A Champions for 4 out of the past 5 years. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 245)

Presque Isle High School Girls Basketball Team, upon winning the Class A State Championship and upon being awarded the Class A Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 246)

Dorothy Kelley, of Augusta, a former Legislator who also served as a committee clerk for the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation. Mrs. Kelley was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Hannah Weston Chapter of Machias and was a direct descendant of the founder of the historic Burnham Tavern and Inn in Machias, where wounded soldiers from the first naval battle of the American Revolution were brought for treatment. She was also a matron at St. Mark's Home in Augusta. Mrs. Kelley's primary interest in life was other people. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 247)

Dana and Kay Bowker, of Cousins Island, in Yarmouth, on the special occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, April 23, 1997 and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 248)

Lillian Crowell, of Eliot, who has been honored with the Volunteers of America 1997 Star Award for leadership commitment across the State and for grassroots activities that uplift the human condition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 249)

Linda Kuzyk, a 5th-grade teacher at Crescent Park School in Bethel, who has received the 1997 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 250)

Stanley Neptune, who has received the Maine Arts Commission 1997 Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Award, for his work as a master artist in the preservation of the Penobscot Indian practice of carving traditional birch root clubs. His intricately carved clubs are displayed in numerous museums throughout the United States and in a special exhibit, "Spirits in the Wood," at the Maine Historical Society. Mr. Neptune's work contributes to the Penobscot Nation's cultural legacy, but it is his dedication as a mentor to apprentice carvers that ensures that this art form will continue. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him; (HLS 251)

Elroy Day, of North Berwick, for many years of outstanding service to the citizens of North Berwick and all of Maine through his contribution of time, his devotion to duty and his love of country; (HLS 252)

Ernie Vincent, of North Berwick, for many years of outstanding service to the citizens of North Berwick and all of Maine through his contribution of time, his devotion to duty and his love of country; (HLS 253)

Kenneth A. Dennison, of Freeport High School, who has been named as a 1997 National Merit Scholarship Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 254)

Stefanie L. Johnson, of Pownal, who has been named as a 1997 National Merit Scholarship Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 255)

Melissa Pelletier, of Brunswick, who has received the 1997 Principals' Award by the Maine Principals' Association for her academic achievement, citizenship and classroom leadership. We extend our congratulations to her and our best wishes in all future endeavors; (HLS 256) Dana Lippitt, of Bangor, who has been named Volunteer of the Year for the Bangor Historical Society, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 257)

David Lisnick, of Orrington, who has been selected to the Maine All-State Junior Hockey Team. He is a freshman at Bangor High School and will be traveling with the team to Europe for a 4-day tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 258)

Josiah L. R. Willey, of Boy Scout Troop #8 in Bangor, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 259)

Jennifer Sarjeant, of Bangor High School, who has been named a finalist in the 1997 National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Black Students, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 260)

D. Zachary Shubert, of Bangor High School, who has been named a 1997 National Merit Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 261)

Travis Gass, of Bangor High School, who has been named a 1997 National Merit Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 262)

Marie Blanke, of Bangor High School, who has been named a 1997 National Merit Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 263)

lain Becker, of Bangor High School, who has been named a 1997 National Merit Finalist, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 264)

Henry and Florence Rhoda, of Milo, as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 11, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 265)

Brian Hinkley, of Boy Scout Troop #500 in Strong, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 266)

the Portland High School Girls 1996-1997 Basketball Team and its coaching staff led by Head Coach Edward Fenney on a tremendous season of tournament play which includes winning the Western Maine Class A Basketball Championship and on placing as runners-up in the Class A State Basketball Championship; (HLS 267)

Michael McCarthy, Principal of the King Middle School in Portland, on being named the 1996 Maine State Principal of the Year and for being selected by METLIFE/National Association of Secondary School Principals as one of 4 National Finalists for the 1997 National Principal of the Year; (HLS 268)

the following members of the Deering High School Debate Team who won awards at the Maine State Debate Championship held March 8, 1997 at Lewiston High School: Ellen O'Brien, Lincoln Douglas novice semifinalist; Travis Brennan, Lincoln Douglas novice quarterfinalist; Tamara Norris novice policy champion and 5th place novice speaker; and Kara Smith novice policy champion and 3rd place novice speaker. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their achievements; (HLS 269)

Lewiston Police Chief Michael Kelly, who was named the Maine Police Chief of the Year by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association in recognition of his outstanding job as Lewiston's chief law enforcement officer; (HLS 270)

Lewiston Police Officer Guy M. Pilote, recipient of the 1996 Bravery Award by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association in recognition of his bravery in rescuing a young child from a burning building; (HLS 271)

Wilbur D. Bragdon, formerly of Millinocket. "Bill" will long be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Bragdon served in the Marine Corps during World War II and was an avid fisherman, hunter and ham radio operator. He will be missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 272)

the Stearns High School Hockey Team, runners-up in the 1997 Class B Eastern Maine Championship. The team includes: Jeremy Munoz, Seth Dickinson, Josh Lynch, Steve Jamieson, Travis Cummings, Jamie Brooker, Adam Ouellette, Justin Grant, Jared Merry, Frank Bowley, Josh MacDonald, Matt Lynch, Doug Morrison, Aaron Thibodeau, Josh Brown, Aaron Buzzell, Justin Merry, Lonnie Pinette, Matt Welch, Justin Birt, Darrin Daniels, Jay Wilson, Nick Ouellette, Alex Morrison and David Crosby; Managers Jenne Wilson, Kendra Perry and Adam Birt; and Coaches Rodney Daigle, Peter Portwine, Mike MacDonald and Merle Grant; (HLS 273)

the Millinocket Black Squirts Hockey Team, who finished 2nd in the state tier 3 house squirts division with a 21-2 record. The team includes Coaches Larry Surrette and Jim Kotredes and Members Anthony Barnett, Alec Toth, George Surrette, Tyler Pelkey, Devin Pelkey, Randi Fournier, Matt Houston, Chad Nelson, Holly Frank, Stephen Cyr, Ryan Bouchard and Kevin Kotredes. We extend our congratulations on a great hockey season; (HLS 274)

Anita Hopkins, of Augusta, who has received a Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Mrs. Hopkins is a pre-first and first grade teacher at the Hussey School in Augusta who received this award in the category of elementary mathematics for her exceptional talent, leadership abilities and dedication as a teacher. We extend our congratulations and wish her many more successful years of teaching; (HLS 275)

Frances Doucette, of Hamlin, who was recently retired from MSAD No. 24, where she had been employed as the secretary in the guidance department and later as the adult education secretary. She will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 276)

Tom Gilman, of the Sanford Fire Department, on the special occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service. He was on the State Executive Board for the Firefighters of Maine from 1981 to 1994 and was Secretary/Treasurer of Local Firefighters Union #1624 for 20 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 277)

Irene Bruns, who is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane for being the oldest citizen of China, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 278)

Lindsay Lehr, who won the Geography Bee in the Jordan Small School in Raymond, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 279)

Alicia Estes, of Traip Academy, who has been named to the Western Maine Class C Girls Cross Country All-Star Team, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 280)

Patrick J. Connolly, of Traip Academy, who has received the 1997 Maine Principals' Association Principal's Award, which is given to the outstanding citizen of the graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 281)

Everett and Eleanor Leonard, of Kittery, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 22, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 282)

Lieutenant Pete Metcalf, a member of the Bangor Fire Department, who has received the 1997 National Fire Protection Association Learn Not To Burn Champion Award. He was one of 61 recipients chosen in North America for this honor to teach lifesaving lessons. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 283)

Gordon and Doris Cutten, of Kittery, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 11, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 284)

Pat Hanscom, of Marshwood High School, who was named to the 1997 All Conference Basketball Team, and in extending our congratulations; (HLS 285)

Nate Young, of Marshwood High School, who was named to the 1997 All Conference Basketball Team, and in extending our congratulations; (HLS 286)

Joyce Tugel, a teacher at Marshwood High School in Eliot, who was nominated for the 1998 Teacher of the Year Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 287)

Betty Holmes, who is the 1st and 2nd-grade teacher at Machias Valley Christian School in Machias, for being nominated for the 1998 Teacher of the Year Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 288)

Ira Burton Coffin, of Presque Isle, who will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Mr. Coffin was a member of the Maine State Police before serving as the Chief of Police in Presque Isle where he worked for 15 years. He will be missed by his family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 289)

Rene Cloukey, of WAGM-TV in Presque Isle, who has been named the 1997 Sportscaster of the Year for the State of Maine, and in extending our congratulations on this award; (HLS 290)

Presque Isle High School, whose students recently participated in the Northern Region Drama Festival at the Caribou Performing Arts Center. The members of the cast of "Everyonezacat" represented Aroostook County in the State Competition, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 291)

Lionel "Lee" Conary, of Oakland, whose compassion, generosity and positive outlook on life were hallmarks of his service to the people of the State as a teacher, a member of the House of Representatives and a state employee at the Bureau of Insurance. Lee's devotion to his wife, Sally, and daughters, Heather and Kim, was well known and much admired. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 292)

Edward Goodwin, Jr., of Eliot, who has been honored with the Volunteers of America 1997 Star Award for grassroots activities that uplift the human condition and for leadership commitment across the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 293)

Samuel Crowell, of Eliot, who has been honored with the Volunteers of America 1997 Star Award for leadership commitment across the State and for grassroots activities that uplift the human condition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 294)

Rodolphe G. "Rudy" Byram, of Grand Isle, who was a veteran of the United States Army during the Korean War, and who was a recipient of the Purple Heart for wounds received in battle. He was employed for many years by the Maine Employment Agency. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 295) Melford G. Sjostedt, a lifelong resident of Stockholm, who was active in community affairs and was a town selectman for many years. He was a founder of the Stockholm Fire Department and a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 296)

Paul É. Cyr, of Grand Isle and Fountain Valley, California. He had been a seminarian for 12 years with the Marist Fathers of Boston, was a graduate of Western State University College of Law and was retired from the United States Postal Service. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 297)

Cavell and Floyd Carson, of Fort Fairfield, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 298)

Kelly Stubbs, of Sherman Mills, a freshman at the University of Maine, who personifies the great heart and fighting spirit of the Lady Black Bears that has carried them from Maine to Louisiana in the NCAA Tournament, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 299)

Paul MacDowell, of the Lyseth Elementary School, who has been named the 1996 Maine Teacher of the Year; (HLS 300)

the University of Southern Maine Women's Basketball Team on winning the Little East Conference regular season championship and the postseason tournament championship. The team advanced to the 16th round in the NCAA Division III Tournament and extended its NCAA record of consecutive 20win seasons to 17. We extend our congratulations to Head Coach Gary Fifield; Assistant Coaches Tom Murphy, Jamie Hilton and Lori Towle; Head Trainer Jennifer Deraspe; Captains Joanna Brown and Mandy King; and team members Angel Elderkin, Susan Ware, Danielle DeGraw, Destiny Demo, Jen Poliquin, Julie Plant, Ali Hathaway, Erin Malzac, Karen Raven, Tracy Libby and Angela O'Connor; (HLS 301)

Guilford and Montez Watson, of Zephyrhills, Florida and formerly of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 19, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 302)

Alyssa Caldwell, a senior at Traip Academy, who has been selected to receive the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award for 1996-1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 303)

Edward D. Hilt, of St. George, on his 90th Birthday, April 13, 1997. Mr. Hilt is the last man in town who remembers going to sea in a sailing vessel with his father. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him on this special occasion; (HLS 304)

the Noble Junior High School Girls Basketball Team, who won the 1997 Southern Maine Middle School Athletic Conference League championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 305)

Rosaire A. Levesque, of Van Buren, who was a United States Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion, Levasseur-Farrell Post No. 49. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 306)

the following members of the Bucksport "Golden Bucks" Basketball Team, who won the 1997 Eastern Maine Class B Championship: Stephen Smith, Greg Gobel, Chris Soper, Jeff Lachance, Jody Peak, John Beck, Sam Russell, Tom Pollard, Ken Morrison, Dan Astbury, Buzz Simpson, Josh Clough, Cameron Giroux and Bobby Carmichael, managers Scott Doyle and Jason Boyce and coaches Larry Deans and Travis White. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 307) Bruce Soucy, owner of Soucy Trucking Company in Belgrade, who received the Governor's Small Business Waste Reduction Award presented at the Maine Recycling and Solid Waste Conference, for his outstanding waste reduction efforts contributing to a cleaner, more sustainable environment; (HLS 308)

Columbus Henry Fiori, of Brunswick, who co-owned and operated the Kennebec Fruit Company for over 30 years. He was a Veteran of the United States Army in World War II, where he was gravely injured in combat. He was active in his community and church, as well as being a dedicated family man. He will be sadly missed by his family, friends and neighbors; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 309)

Edward V. Vlodek, of Waterville, former owner of The Yardgoods Center. He was a long-term board member of the Maine Merchants Association and was past president of the Waterville Merchants Group. He was a member of the Waterville Lions Club for 35 years and was the recipient of the Lion of the Year Award. Mr. Vlodek was a member of Notre Dame Catholic Church and was a Veteran of the United States Navy in World War II. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 310)

Robert E. Pendleton, of Presque Isle and Island Falls, who was a member and past deacon of Whittier Congregational Church. He was an alumni of the University of Maine and received the Black M award for alumni activities. Mr. Pendleton was a division supervisor for the Northern Maine District Forest Service for 27 years and a 50-year member of Lafayette Masonic Lodge No. 48 in Readfield. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 311)

Sister Mary Norberta, C.S.S.F., FACHE, President and CEO of St. Joseph's Hospital in Bangor, who has achieved advanced Fellow status in the American College of Healthcare Executives, their highest level of professional achievement, for education, experience and leadership in the healthcare field over a period of several years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 312)

Lenny Smith, of Bangor, on his retirement after 37 years of service to the city as a plumbing and building inspector. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 313)

Mark Eric Amero, of Jay, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 314)

Julie Baroody, of Blue Hill, who is the recipient of the high honor and distinction of the Girl Scout Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes on her achievement. The Silver Award is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 315)

St. Dominic Regional High School in Lewiston, for winning 1st Place in the "We the People...The Citizen and the Constitution" statewide competition. This is an education program founded by Congress to foster civic competence and responsibility by focusing on the historical and contemporary impact of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. As the 1997 State Champions, they will go to the national hearings in Washington, D. C. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued excellence and success; (HLS 316)

Kimberly Condon, of the Presque Isle High School Girls Basketball Team, who scored 41 points, a record high score in a Class A State Championship game. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her and hope that her efforts today help her to achieve all of the goals that she sets for herself in the future; (HLS 317) Katy T. Coffin, of Presque Isle, who will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Mrs. Coffin was an active member and chairperson of the Presque Isle Republican Committee. She will be missed by her family, friends and community; (HLS 318)

former Representative Burchard A. Dunn, member of the 117th Maine State Legislature representing the people of Gray and New Gloucester. He served on the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation earning great respect and was also a founding partner of the public accountant firm of Berry, Dunn and McNeil. He will be sadly missed by his family and all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 319)

the Sea Dog Brewing Company, in Bangor, upon earning a Gold Medal for their Riverdriver Hazelnut Porter in the World Beer Championship in Chicago. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 320)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind Team of Central Elementary School in South Berwick, who placed first in the regional Odyssey of the Mind competition: Andy Shea, Johanna Breed, Julia Walker-Lewis, Teresa McDonnell, Brad Jones, Emily Marshall and Michael St. Hilaire and coaches Kim Walker-Lewis and Margot Shea. The team will compete at the state level in April. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in April; (HLS 321)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind Team of Marshwood High School in South Berwick, who placed first in the regional Odyssey of the Mind competition: Hilary Flinkstrom, Alex Kingsbury, Katie Gordon, Tim Bresnahan, Nicole Gagnon and Anne Dailey and coach Marcia Flinkstrom. The team will compete on the state level in April. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in April; (HLS 322)

Ammy Deprey, for 17 years of dedicated service to the Town of Wallagrass as the Animal Control Officer, Constable and Health Officer. Mr. Deprey, a former potato inspector, is also a Eucharistic Minister and an active member of St. Joseph Parish. He is well-known for being always willing to lend a hand to a neighbor. We extend our appreciation to him for his years of service; (HLS 323)

Bertha LeMieux, who celebrated her 90th birthday on February 19, 1997 by going to work, something she has been doing for decades. Mrs. LeMieux, coowner and salesperson at the Bass Wayside Shoe Store, in Brunswick, is an inspiration to her family, friends and customers. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 324)

Angela Bickford, a 2nd grade student at the China Primary School, who won 1st place in the State of Maine Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl environmental awareness poster contest. Her poster will be submitted to the National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc. New England Regional Competition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 325)

Gordon Roderick, of Waterville, on the occasion of his retirement as a representative for the United Paperworkers International Union. Mr. Roderick's dedication to serving on numerous labor and union committees, boards, councils and commissions merits the appreciation of citizens throughout this State; (HLS 326)

Janelle Proctor, of Traip Academy, who has been selected as a member to the 1997 All-Seacoast Girls Basketball Team by <u>The Portsmouth Herald</u>. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 327) Amy Ruksznis, a senior at Traip Academy, who has been selected to receive the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award for 1996-1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 328)

Gwendolyn Gatcomb, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement from Carleton Woolen Mill. Mrs. Gatcomb was the President of the United Paperworkers International Union Local #1235 and was also the Vice-President of the Maine AFL-CIO. Mrs. Gatcomb became an officer of the union in 1972 and served as the President since 1989. Her dedication to serving on numerous labor and union committees, boards, councils and commissions merits the appreciation of citizens throughout this State; (HLS 329)

Richard Bradburn, of North Berwick, for many years of service to the citizens of North Berwick as a member of the Board of Selectmen, a school board member and a member of the budget committee. Mr. Bradburn has been a long-time member of the Republican Town Committee. North Berwick is a great place to live in no small part due to his long years of service. We extend our thanks and warm wishes; (HLS 330)

Edith Pickett, of North Berwick, for her 34 years of service to the citizens of North Berwick as the Registrar of Voters. Mrs. Pickett opened her home to citizens to register throughout the past 34 years. Mrs. Pickett has been a long-time member of the Republican Town Committee and Gateway Ladies of the York County Republican Party. North Berwick is a great place to live in no small part due to her long years of service. We extend our thanks and warm wishes; (HLS 331)

Carl Ervin Cianchette, of Pittsfield and St. Petersburg, Florida, who was a former Member of the Maine State Legislature. He was active in Democratic politics and served in both the Maine State Senate and the House of Representatives, as well as serving as chairman of the last Governor's Executive Council. He was in the Merchant Marines during World War II and after the war he started his own construction business. Later, with his brothers, he founded what became Cianbro Corporation. Mr. Cianchette was first board chairman of the Sebasticook Valley Hospital and was instrumental in the original funding and successful establishment of the hospital. He will be greatly missed by his family, colleagues and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 332)

Daric Buttrick, on being named the Wrestler of the Year by the Portsmouth Herald; (HLS 333)

Matt Rix, on being selected the <u>Portsmouth Herald's</u> "Coach of the Season." Mr. Rix led the Marshwood High School wrestling team to an undefeated season and the Maine state championship: (HLS 334)

Matthew McGuire, of Freeport, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 335)

<u>The RamPage</u>, of Bangor, on placing 2nd in the 1997 statewide newspaper contest sponsored by the Maine Center for Student Journalism at the University of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 336)

the following members of the Mt. Blue High School Girls Ski Team, who won the Maine Principals' Association 1996/97 Girls Ski Invitational Championship: Lynnette Batt, Barbara Bean, Rebecca Bean, Meghan Bitterauf, Jenny Caldwell, Meghan Caldwell, Danielle Castonguay, Rhonda Cullenberg, Heather Decker, Kathryn Downs, Brianne Genschel, Jenny Hartung, Sarah Flint, Shanelle Lake, Katie Lawrence, Amy McCormick, Kelly McCosh, Molly Milliken, Jesse Morrill, Marcy Muller, Jamie McKechnie, Bethany Turner, Elizabeth Upham, Sarah Washburn, Katie Wegner, Bonnie Weigle, Martha Yates and Julie Young. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 337)

Brian T. Gerrity, of Manchester, for being named Rookie of the Year in Basketball by the coaches of the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference and for being named, as a freshman, to the all conference 2nd team; (HLS 338)

Priscilla Guy, of Kittery, longtime leader of the Kittery Chemical Awareness and Prevention Program, who has been honored with the Volunteers of America 1997 Star Award for her tireless work helping youths avoid drug and alcohol abuse. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 339)

Kelly Stubbs, of Sherman Mills, a senior at the University of Maine, for her indomitable will and courage. A "walk-on" as a freshman at the University of Maine, she personifies the great heart and fighting spirit of the Lady Black Bears that carried the team from Maine to Louisiana in the NCAA Tournament; (HLS 340)

Eugene and Ava Allen, of Owls Head, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, March 1, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 341)

Alexander Smith, of Augusta, who has been named the Eagle Scout of the Year for 1997 by the American Legion, Department of Maine. He was also named the Most Valuable Student by the Maine Association of Elks. We extend our congratulations on these achievements; (HLS 342)

Hollis Weaver, who celebrates 70 years of continued membership at the Evening Star Grange No. 183, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 343)

Mildred Merrifield Walter, as she celebrates 75 years of continued membership at the Evening Star Grange No. 183, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 344)

Southern Maine Technical College, in South Portland, on the special occasion of its 50th Anniversary. The college is the 3rd-largest institution of higher learning in Maine and began as a 4-program offering for 80 servicepeople returning from World War II. It now has 30 programs that serve more than 2,400 regular students and 5,000 students in continuing education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued excellence and success; (HLS 345)

Lorraine Wayman, of Old Orchard Beach, for 21 years of service to the citizens of Old Orchard Beach. Ms. Wayman served as secretary to the director of Public Works and as receptionist in the Town Hall and in the school department. We extend our thanks and warm wishes; (HLS 346)

Deb Jeffords, of Standish, on receiving the 1997 Child Welfare League of America Outstanding Foster Parent Award for the North Atlantic region. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 347)

Faith Vautour, of Rockport, who received the Award for Excellence in Social Studies from the Maine Council for Social Studies. Ms. Vautour has been involved in improving secondary education social studies in Maine by being part of virtually every statewide effort to enhance the secondary education social studies curriculum and assessment and teaching of social studies for the last 2 decades. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 348)

Marie Blanke, of Bangor High School, who is a recipient of the 1997 Principal's Award given by the Maine Principals' Association; (HLS 349)

Jennifer Carson, of Bangor Christian, who is a recipient of the 1997 Principal's Award given by the Maine Principals' Association; (HLS 350) Representative Arthur Mayo, of Bath, who has been named Legislator of the Year by the Maine Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers for his commitment to the Social Work profession, to the clients they serve and to the people of the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 351)

Kate Roberts, who has been named Social Worker of the Year by the Maine Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 352)

Jerry Goss, Principal of Brewer High School, who was named the 1997 Maine Secondary School Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association; (HLS 353)

Ken Libby, husband, father, educator, coach and friend. Mr. Libby will be missed by the many friends and students who were fortunate enough to have known him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 354)

Joseph L. Poulin, of Boy Scout Troop #454 in Oakland, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout. Joseph is a junior at Messalonskee High School. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (HLS 355)

Mark S. Roop, of Waterboro, whose contribution to his community and to this State is greatly appreciated. Mr. Roop's caring and sharing attitude extended into his volunteer work in Hospice programs throughout Southern Maine. Mr. Roop devoted many hours to the relief and aid of health care givers and receivers. Mr. Roop's work in the community as a local health care provider will be sorely missed by his clients and friends. Mr. Roop has always been the epitome of a "Southern Gentleman" and he will be remembered as such by his neighbors and many friends; (HLS 356)

Dana Lee, who resigned on April 11, 1997 as Town Manager of Mechanic Falls after 7 years of dedicated and outstanding service, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 357)

Kathryn Anne Swegart, of Rome, on winning the 1997 Kennebec County Spelling Bee Championship. Miss Swegart is in the eighth grade and is home schooled. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 358)

Tim Tweedie, of Blaine, who was elected Governor at the Model State Legislature. Mr. Tweedie will represent Maine at this summer's national convention in Washington, D.C. Mr. Tweedie is a junior at Central Aroostook High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 359)

Donna Bell Lisnik, who was selected by the National Science Foundation as a Presidential Awardee for excellence in Mathematics and Science teaching; (HLS 360)

Alvin and Marie Veazie, of Salt Lake City, Utah and formerly of Milford, Maine, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 15, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 361)

Anne E. Marot, of Brewer, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 362)

the members of the J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, of Old Town, on winning the state jazz competition for the 4th consecutive year. We extend our congratulations to them on their great accomplishment; (HLS 363)

Penny Savage, of Kennebunk, on the occasion of her retirement as the Director of the Kennebunk Free Library. We acknowledge her 33 years of dedicated and selfless service to her town, her library, her profession and to the readers of all ages, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 364) the Mt. Ararat High School Girls Indoor Track team and Coach Diane Fournier on winning the Class A Girls Indoor Track State Championship. Most team members provided points towards winning the championship; (HLS 365)

The Truck Driving Program at Tri-County Technical Center in Dexter and its instructor Dale Gerald and assistant instructor Richard Sawyer for winning the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America Truck Driving State Competition for 2 consecutive years. The 1996 gold medal winner was Matthew David. The 1997 gold medal winner is Andy Brazier and the 1997 silver medalist is Chad Grant. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 366)

Page Worth, the Mayor of Belfast, who has been named as 1 of 2 Co-Women of the Year by the Modern Woodmen of America, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 367)

Charles Buker, of Boy Scout Troop 139 in Minot, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 368)

Wilma Moses, of Belfast, City Clerk and City Manager, who has been named as 1 of 2 Co-Women of the Year by the Modern Woodmen of America, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 369)

Kelly Parker-Maloney, an eighth grader at Brunswick Junior High School, on winning the Cumberland County Spelling Bee Championship. We congratulate her on a job well done; (HLS 370)

the staff, parents, and 8th grade students of Center Drive School in Orrington, who have been instrumental in the restoration of the Orrington history mural located on the barn of Henry Wiswell. We extend our best wishes for their success on the project: V. Arrah Vanier, art supervisor, Michael Harmon, artist, and Deb Morril, parent volunteer; and students Ben Alexander, Jason Allen, Michelle Baillargeon, Michelle Baker, Chad Bean, Tarra Burke, Dana Carey, Courtney Caron, Jonathan Carter, Joanna Chavaree, Joey Coffin, Chad Coombs, Jennifer Cushman, Angela De Beck, Chris Emery, Craig Frank, Andrew Geagan, Andrew Gladu, Brook Gordan, Jonathan Goupee, Ryan Graham, Ben Gray, Missy Gray, Brandy Hincks, Justin Hinks, Kate Hunter, Amy Hutchins, Trevor Killip, Jennifer Leighton, Nicole Libby, Heather McCoy, Teresa McGraw, Kiel MacLeod, Jan Morril, Adam Murphy, Tim Norsworthy, Jozlyn Noyes, Wendell Poole, Jason Reynolds, Courtney Richens, Angela Ring, Jim Rushmore, Justin Spencer, Diane Spinney, Jessi Stevens, Michael Stewart, Ben Sturrock, Dawn Thibodeau, Chad Umbro, Gina Veits, Hugh Violette, Alyssa Layman and Matt King; (HLS 371)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind team of South Berwick Central School, who won the State Championship: Andy Shea, Theresa McDonnell, Mike St. Hilaire, Johanna Breed, Julia Walker-Lewis, Emily Marshall and Brad Jones and coaches Kim Walker-Lewis and Margot Shea. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in the world finals that will take place in June at the University of Maryland; (HLS 372)

Anthony and Angela Gagne, of Brunswick, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 373)

Jon Gray, a member of the Marshwood Junior High School Wrestling team, who captured a 2nd place finish for his division in the New England Classic at the University of New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations on his achievement; (HLS 374) Adam lovanna, a member of the Marshwood Junior High School Wrestling team, who captured a championship for his division at the New England Classic at the University of New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 375)

Officer Daniel L. Knight and the Portland Police Department's Community Policing Program in the Parkside neighborhood, for their excellence and success in neighborhood relations and crime control. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued achievement for this very special program; (HLS 376)

the Falmouth High School Boys Varsity Basketball, who won the 1997 Western Maine Conference Championship, the 1997 Western Maine Regional Championship and the 1997 State Class C Championship with a final record of 21 wins and only one loss. We extend our congratulations to Coach David Halligan, Assistant Coach Bob Gilman and the entire Falmouth High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team on a job very well done; (HLS 377)

Roy E. Barnes, of Wiscasset, on the occasion of his retirement as Road Commissioner after 16 years of dedicated service, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 378)

Roger Alexander, of Topsham, for his perseverance over the past 13 years to gain United States citizenship. He was sworn in as an American citizen recently thanks to his dedication and desire, and thanks to more than a dozen attorneys who gave their time at no cost to make his citizenship official; (HLS 379)

Jennifer York and her Grade V class at Zippel School in Presque Isle, for being named "Maine School of the Year" and overall winners for grades K-12 in the Maine Energy Education Program. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 380)

the 82nd Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, April 24, 1997. This tragic event deeply touched the lives of Maine's Armenian community and each year at this time, they are reminded of the loss of relatives and their homeland. We extend our deepest sympathy to the people of Armenian descent across the nation on this sad occasion; (HLS 381)

John Christopher Roberts, of Boy Scout Troop #213 in Damariscotta, an honor student at Lincoln Academy, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 382)

Matthew Fowle, of Boy Scout Troop #105 in Plymouth, who is a 9th-grade student at Nokomis Regional High School, on attaining the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 383)

Mr. Robert Duprey, advisor, and the Caribou Marketing/DECA Program, who have won the Maine DECA Conference Award at the 29th Annual DECA Career Development Conference for the eighth time in the last nine years and the sixth year in a row. The conference was hosted by the State Department of Education and the first place winners will compete at the National DECA Conference in Anaheim, California. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 384)

Captain Charles C. Dunbar Jr., of Falmouth, upon receiving The National Maritime Man of the Year Award for 1996. Captain Dunbar is the first sailor from the State of Maine, the first Maine Maritime graduate and the first Ship's Pilot to receive this award. Captain Dunbar has been employed by Portland Pilots, Inc. since 1968 and has handled over 9000 ships, including the John F. Kennedy and the Queen Elizabeth II. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 385)

Doris G. Porter, of Vassalboro, on the occasion of her 95th birthday. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes (HLS 386)

Ann Higgins, of Vassalboro, on the occasion of her retirement after 25 years of service to the United States Post Office in Smithfield and Vassalboro. Ann began her career in Smithfield in 1971 and was promoted to Postmaster of the Smithfield Post Office in 1972. She moved to her hometown of Vassalboro in 1982 and has served that community as the Postmaster for the past 15 years. Ann's excellent service will be missed by the residents of Vassalboro. We extend our congratulations on her retirement; (HLS 387)

J. S. McCarthy, a commercial offset and silk screen printing firm in Augusta, upon receiving the Governor's Award for Business Excellence, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 388)

the Merrill Transportation Company, of Portland, for having achieved ISO 9002 Quality Standards for Service in the Transportation Industry for internationally recognized quality standards. They are the first organization to achieve these standards north of Baltimore. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 389)

East Madison Grange #228, on the special occasion of its 120th Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 390)

Stanley D. Estes, of Windham, beloved husband of Emma Winther Estes, and who was the former manager of the Men's Shop in Westbrook. He was a member of the United States Coast Guard Reserve during World War II and was a former member and past King Lion of the Westbrook Lion's Club. He served on the Public Safety Committee in Westbrook. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 391)

the Marshwood Junior High School wrestlers who captured the schoolboy division at the New England Classic at the University of New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations to the wrestlers on their outstanding victory; (HLS 392)

Pat Howard, a member of the Marshwood Junior High School Wrestling team, who captured a championship for his division in the New England Classic at the University of New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 393)

Greg Skafidias, a member of the Marshwood Junior High School Wrestling team, who captured a 2nd place finish for his division at the New England Classic at the University of New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations on his achievement; (HLS 394)

Pat Hanscom, who has been selected to participate in the Maine Shrine Lobster Bowl Classic 1997 All Star Football Game, which supports the 22 Shriner's Children's Hospitals. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 395)

Ryan Bouchard, of Fort Kent, who has attained the distinguished rank of Eagle Scout. The hard work and determination that Ryan put into accomplishing the tasks will serve him well throughout his entire life. We congratulate him on a job very well done and wish him well in all future endeavors; (HLS 396)

Edward and Geraldine Stanley, of Medway, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 28, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 397)

Shirley Faith Stevens, of Old Town, who served as the City Clerk for the City of Old Town from 1968-1984 and was one of

the first certified municipal clerks in the State of Maine. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 398)

David R. Lavway, who was executive director of the Maine Potato Board, and who has been named as Director of Industry Liaison to the National Potato Council, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 399)

the Unity College Men's Cross Country Running Team for winning the National Small College Athletic Association's Cross Country National Championship. Congratulations to team members: Raymon Webster IV, Joel Flewelling, David Kane, Jim Cogswell, Shawn Jyawook, Ryan Adams, Mike Farrell and J. Aaron Bailey. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 400)

the Unity College Women's Cross Country Running Team for winning the National Small College Athletic Association's Cross Country National Championship. Congratulations to team members: Rebecca Roy, Amber Hayden, Melanie Price, Rosie Leon-de-Vivero, Angela Douglas, Kerrin Knight and Nobuko Tawara. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 401)

Cathy Spurling, of Pittston, who was assistant to the varsity and the junior varsity girls basketball coach from 1993-96 at Gardiner Area High School, an officer in the Friends of Maine Field Hockey Association, an entrepreneur and a member of the United Maine Craftsmen. She was a shining light in her community and she touched many people with her volunteer work with children. Her belief in the goodness and importance of every person in the four cities and towns that make up her community was what set her apart and made her special to those who knew and loved her. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 402)

Deline Lagasse Cyr, of Madawaska, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday on May 3, 1997. Mrs. Cyr is the daughter of the late William and Azilda Dube Lagasse and was married to Charles Cyr in 1915. She is the mother to Roland and has 7 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Cyr attributes her long life to hard work and helping others. We extend our congratulations for a happy birthday to Mrs. Cyr; (HLS 403)

Malcolm J. Fortier, who had a long and colorful history in Waterville politics beginning as councilman and later becoming a Waterville mayor before serving as a state legislator for 3 terms. He was also an active member of Sacred Heart Parish, the Waterville Elk's Club and Rotary Club where he was honored as a Paul Harris Fellow. He was married for 59 years to the former Yvette M. Bolduc with whom he had 7 children. Malcolm will be sadly missed by all those whose lives he touched; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 404)

the following members of the Waterville High School Science Olympiad Team, who won the state championship held at the Maine School of Science and Math in Limestone: J.W. Craig, Jessica Esty, Ryan Foss, Jeremy Foster, Liz Hayes, Meghan Slack, Kevin Stanhope, Joe Bauman, David Benziger, Edmund Chiang, Chrissy Holmes, Gretchen Keller, Nicole Theriault, Nick Viens and Lillian Zhao and Coaches Rosemarie Smith, Martha Cobb and William Browne. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in the national meet that will take place in Raleigh, North Carolina on May 17; (HLS 405)

the following engineering students of Mattanawcook Academy, of Lincoln, on taking first place in the National Engineering Design Challenge held at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.: Kevin Dufresne, John Sutherland, Edward Kirkpatrick, Amy Wilson, Candace Sabol, Andrew Emerson, Joshua Jipson, Josh Pietras, Natalie Chouinard, Allan Trott, Kevin Smith and Jo Dupuis and coaches Mary Wilbur and Keith Strange. The team has captured the state title 3 times out of the last 4 years; this is their first national title. The students designed a gym that will allow almost anyone to exercise, whether the user is sitting in a chair, standing or lying down. The gym is adaptable for paraplegics; (HLS 406)

Jessica Crosby, who has earned the distinction of being named a Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class at Stearns High School in Millinocket; (HLS 407)

Heath Weatherbee, who has earned the distinction of being named a Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class at Stearns High School in Millinocket; (HLS 408)

Nicole Ryan, who has earned the distinction of being named a Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class at Stearns High School in Millinocket; (HLS 409)

Lindsay Fanjoy, who has earned the distinction of being named a Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class at Stearns High School in Millinocket; (HLS 410)

Tom and Melinda Remington, of Bethel, managers of the Riverview Motel, recipients of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's "1997 Business of the Year Award"; (HLS 411)

Maryvonne Wheeler, of Bethel, recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Henry H. Hastings Award for Citizenship; (HLS 412)

Susan Farrar, of Bethel, recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Lifetime Achievement Award for her decades of work with the people of Bethel; (HLS 413)

Bruce Pierce, an employee at The Sunday River Inn, the recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Ski Services Employee of the Year Award; (HLS 414)

Elmer "Sonny" Bean, of Brooks' Brothers, the recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's "1997 Service and Retail Employee of the Year Award"; (HLS 415)

Mike Bulger, an employee at Mother's Restaurant, the recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Hospitality Employee of the Year; (HLS 416)

Juanita Haines, of Crescent Park School, the recipient of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's 1997 Education Employee of the Year; (HLS 417)

the Houlton High School Show Choir under the direction of Andrew Poulopoulos, which won the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival Division I competition held at Houlton High School on April 5, 1997. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 418)

the Caribou Middle School Show Choir under the direction of Vicki King, which won first place in the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival Division I Junior High Show Choir competition held at Houlton High School on April 5, 1997. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 419)

the Caribou High School Varsity Jazz Choir under the direction of Vaughn McLaughlin, which won first place in the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival Division I High School Jazz Choir competition held at Houlton High School on April 5, 1997. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 420)

the month of May as Senior Citizen Month for the Town of Eliot; (HLS 421)

Ruth Varney, of Eliot, who is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane; (HLS 422)

the Reverend David Avery, who was honored for his 23 years of community service and dedication to the First Congregational Church of Eliot by members of his congregation and his community; (HLS 423) the Bangor High School Math Team, who have won the 1997 Class A division of the 21st State Math Meet sponsored by the Maine Association of Math Leagues. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 424)

Ethel Ellen Blake, of Kittery, a recipient of the Boston Post Cane. Ms. Blake, who will be 100 years old on July 2nd, is the first resident of Kittery to be presented the cane since 1991. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 425)

Midshipman Lieutenant Commander Derek Yates, of Kittery, who was awarded the Maine Maritime Academy Commandant's Citation. The Commandant's Citation, one of the highest recommendations of the Maine Maritime Academy Regiment of Midshipmen, is awarded in recognition of exemplary service to the preservation of the ideals of the Regiment of Midshipmen. The award reflects continuous service to the college, community and the Regiment of Midshipmen throughout the student's career at Maine Maritime Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 426)

Keith Thomas DeShane, of Boy Scout Troop 15 in Brewer, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 427)

Todd Travis Roberge, of Arundel, a member of Boy Scout Troop 308, who attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout: (HLS 428)

Clint T. Myers, of Bethel, winner of the 1997 Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Student Citizenship Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 429)

Bethany L. Howe, of Bethel, winner of the 1997 Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce Student Citizenship Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 430)

Dan Hart, winner of the 1997 Oxford County United Way Hugh Chisholm Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 431)

Reverend Normand Richard, of St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church in Millinocket, as he celebrates the 25th Anniversary of being a priest, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 432)

Jeffrey Hanning, of Boy Scout Troop #130 in Harrington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 433)

Christopher E. Timberlake, of Boy Scout Troop 500 in Strong, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 434)

Peter J. Brown, of Boy Scout Troop 518 in Wilton, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 435)

Rowland "Mac" MacGregor Whittet, of Rockport, who was a veteran, devoted husband, father, craftsman, appreciator of the outdoors and a man of great energy. For 25 years, the communities of Maine have benefited from his hours of enthusiastic volunteering for many boards and organizations. His sense of humor and generous spirit will be deeply missed; (HLS 436)

Molly MacLeod, of Orland, upon winning the 1997 Hancock County Spelling Bee Championship. Miss MacLeod is a 6th grader at Orland Consolidated School. We extend our congratulations on this outstanding achievement and best wishes for the future; (HLS 437)

Crystal Carlson, of Long Cove, St. George, a junior at Georges Valley High School, who was crowned the 1997 Miss Maine U.S. Teen. We wish her luck in the National Miss U.S. Teen Competition, which will be held in August. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 438)

Marlowe Sonksen, a Marine Patrol Officer with the Department of Marine Resources, who has been named the Officer of the Year for 1996 by the Maine Lobstermen's Association. Officer Sonksen serves the Penobscot Bay area and is well-known for his dedication to the department and for keeping the fishing industry's interests in mind at all times. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 439)

with the people of St. George, and in expressing our congratulations to Adrea Thorbjornson, on the very special occasion of her 90th Birthday, April 27, 1997. Mrs. Thorbjornson taught 3 generations of children in her town. Hundreds of former students remember her fondly and with affection and gratitude for her thorough instruction and personal concern. We extend our warmest wishes to her; (HLS 440)

Paul and Vivian McKeon, of Shirley, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, March 27, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 441)

Eva L. Burgess, of Sangerville, who will celebrate the occasion of her 100th birthday with family and friends on May 31, 1997. We extend our best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 442)

Amanda Dube, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 443)

Addie Crocker, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 444)

Heidi McGinn, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 445)

Heidi Dorrity, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 446)

Miranda Nicholson, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 447)

Kendra Crosby, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 448)

Patricia Plourde, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 449)

Leah Cummings, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 450)

Melissa Taylor, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 451)

Aimee Babineau, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 452)

Tori Thurlow, of Girl Scout Troop #393, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award; (HLS 453)

John Ruksznis, of Monson, who was honored by the Monson Fire Department for having served for over 50 years on the fire department. We acknowledge his dedication and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 454)

the following students and their coaches at Buckfield Junior-Senior High School, who placed first in the Division III "Can You Dig It" category of the Odyssey of the Mind Tournament held at the University of Maine in Orono: Meghan Andrews-Chute, Shannon Andrews-Chute, Chris Nilon, Eric Marston, Jessica Houle, Jeremy Samson and coaches Frannie Babb and Linda Andrews-Chute. We extend our congratulations and wish them well in the upcoming world competition to be held at the University of Maryland in June; (HLS 455) Mattie M. Dumond, of Van Buren, who was very involved in her community. She was a member of the Women's Hobby Club and l'Héritage Vivant-Living Heritage Historical Society. Mrs. Dumond shared her artistic quilts and afghans for the four Acadian Heritage Weekends and annual parish bazaar and the bicentennial celebration of the Acadian Village-Village Acadien, and was instrumental in the creation of the Acadian Heritage doll. In 1981, she was the Van Buren Centennial Heritage Mother. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and neighbors; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 456)

Ronald A. Lausier, of Van Buren, who was a veteran of the United States Navy in World War II and who had been employed by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad for 31 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post No. 49, was a commissioner of the Van Buren Housing Authority and was a trustee of the Van Buren Water District. He was very active in the Van Buren Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, Gateway Federal Credit Union, the Van Buren Planning Board and as welfare hearing officer. He was an Aroostook County Bail Commissioner and a member of the MSAD No. 24 School Board of Directors. He will be missed by his family, colleagues and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 457)

the North Gorham Public Library on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. The library has roots seated in history, with its first space located in a building devoted to civic, religious and temperance meetings. We extend our best wishes on this special anniversary; (HLS 458)

Francis B. Cowing, of LaGrange, on the very special occasion of her 100th birthday, May 10, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this centennial celebration; (HLS 459)

Wilson J. Dumond, beloved husband of Doris Dumond, a veteran of World War II and a lifetime member of the Thomas O. Cyr Legion Post #147 of Madawaska. Mr. Dumond was a longtime employee of Fraser Paper Local 1247. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 460)

Kerry Capelle, of Sanford, who has been named a 1997 University of Maine valedictorian, graduating with honors, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 461)

Nokuthula Gwebu, of Swaziland, Africa, who has been named as the 1997 Outstanding Student of the College of Natural Resources, Forestry and Agriculture at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 462)

Sandra Howard, of Raymond, who has been named as the 1997 Outstanding Student in the College of Arts and Humanities at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 463)

Jenny Moulton, of North Yarmouth, who has been named as the 1997 Outstanding Student of the College of Education and a Valedictorian at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 464)

Tamra Woodward, of Orrington, who has been named as the 1997 Outstanding Student in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences and a Valedictorian at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 465)

Jennifer Plourde, of Caribou, who is the 1997 Outstanding Student of the College of Business Administration at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 466)

Gail Lipfert, of Canaan, who has been named as the 1997 Outstanding Student of the College of Sciences at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 467)

Heather Clark, of Sherman Mills, who has been named as 1997 Outstanding Student in the College of Engineering at the University of Maine, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 468)

Robert E. Morrill, a respected teacher and longtime coach at Rockland High School and later Rockland District High School. Mr. Morrill also coached pee-wee basketball and for many years directed the Rockland Recreation Department's summer program. He will be sadly missed by family, friends and the Rockland community; (HLS 469)

Renis Anthony Cyr, beloved husband of Joan J. Cyr, a veteran of the Korean War and a longtime employee of the Great Northern Paper Company. Mr. Cyr was an avid sportsman, who especially enjoyed hunting and fishing. He will be missed by family and friends; (HLS 470)

KeyBank N.A. and Coastal Enterprises, Inc., recipients of the prestigious 1997 Outstanding Community Investment Award. The award is given by Social Compact to businesses that invest in America's lower income communities; (HLS 471)

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Kane, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary to be celebrated by their family on May 17th. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 472)

Father Francis J. Kane on the occasion of his retirement from active ministry after 44 years of service to the people of Maine in Portland, Mechanic Falls, Biddeford, Eastport, Dover-Foxcroft, Lewiston, Cape Elizabeth and the Veterans' Hospital at Togus. Father Kane was ordained in Portland on May 30, 1953; (HLS 473)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind Team of the Miller School and the A.D. Gray School, of Waldoboro, who won the State Championship: Nick Seaver, Helen Bess, Joel Cartwright, Hannah Lackoff, Anna Drapkin, Chelsea Cartwright and Ben Mohlie and coaches Nancy Hicks, Marilyn Bess and Lindsey Belyea. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in the world finals that will take place in June at the University of Maryland; (HLS 474)

the team members and captains Mike Billingslea, David Glaude and Jon Gloulet of Old Orchard Beach, on being the State Champions of the high school division of the Young America Cup finals; (HLS 475)

Patricia Maling for serving as a member, as well as chair, of the Wells-Ogunquit School Board for 15 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 476)

the Winthrop High School Cross Country Ski Team, Bridgett Bartlett, Ember Brosius, Nicky Conroy, Mariah Contreras, Lisa Ravis, Sarah Richards and Amanda Vdoviak and their coach Dan Force, on winning the 1997 Class C State Championship; (HLS 477)

Jared Dubreuil, of Boy Scout Troop #606, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Jared is a native of Winthrop and is currently a student at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 478)

the following Winthrop High School artists: Eben Myers, Chris DeLisle, Sean Wilkinson, Lorin Collins, Ben Bernier, Matthew McGrath and Erric Williams and their metal arts teacher Keith Leavitt on having their 8 metal sculptures selected for placement on the iron gates of the newly rebuilt Globe Theater in London, England; (HLS 479) George B. Landry, beloved husband of Jeannine Landry, who, after a long career in the Air Force, worked for several businesses in the Waterville area. Mr. Landry served as the Commander for the American Legion, where he was instrumental in obtaining monuments at Coburn Park and the St. Francis Cemetery. He served as the Maine Chairman for Prisoners of War and was Chairman of the Waterville Republican Party. He was a lector at Notre Dame Parish and did volunteer service at several local hospitals. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 480)

Benjamin Leighton, of Fairfield, upon his retirement after 25 years as a member of the Kennebec Valley Technical College. Mr. Leighton also served on various other committees of the college. His serving on the campus site selection committee resulted in locating the college in Fairfield. Mr. Leighton also promoted and assisted with student senate events. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Leighton for volunteering his time to the service of the college. We wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 481)

the 75th Anniversary of the opening of the Herbert Gray Elementary School and in extending our best wishes to the townspeople and the friends, teachers and students of this school as they celebrate this special occasion; (HLS 482)

the Town of Harrington on the occasion of its 200th Anniversary on June 17, 1997. We extend our best wishes to the good citizens of that community as they celebrate this special anniversary; (HLS 483)

Earl Surette, of Hollis, who was a self-employed businessman and who owned the Pool Shed in Hollis. Mr. Surette was well known in York and Cumberland Counties. Mr. Surette was loved and respected by everyone that knew him and he will be missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 484)

Joan Benoit Samuelson, of Freeport, on the special occasion of her 40th birthday, May 16, 1997. She won the Gold Medal in the Women's Marathon during the 1984 Olympics, is the mother of 2 children and is a valuable and active member of her community and her State. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her; (HLS 485)

Dr. Joseph P. Senenky, of Chelsea, a native of the Ukraine and a graduate of the University of Graz Medical School in Austria, whose long and dedicated career in caring for the mentally ill included nearly 20 years as a physician at the Augusta Mental Health Institute and later at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Togus; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 486)

Kenneth A. Dennison, a senior and National Honor Society member at Freeport High School, who has won a National Merit Scholarship. Kenneth is the 1997 class valedictorian and class treasurer and is also a member of the math and crosscountry teams. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievements and our best wishes for continued excellence and success; (HLS 487)

Henry and Yvette Deabay, of Millinocket, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 488)

Frederick and Ellen Farley, of Kittery, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 12, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 489)

Joshua B. Nutter, of Boy Scout Troop 606 in Mount Vernon, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 490)

William Channing Waldo, of Millinocket, who has been honored with the 1997 Adrian Batson Award by the Fin and

Feather Club, and in extending our congratulations to him; (HLS 491)

William and Juanita Vachon, of Madison, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 5, 1997. They are the parents of Monte and Stephen and have 7 grandchildren; (HLS 492)

Walter and Waneta White, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 18, 1997. They are the parents of Bernadette, Wayne, Terry and Debra, and have 5 grandchildren; (HLS 493)

Courtney Von Flewelling of Crouseville, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Washburn District High School; (HLS 494)

Erin Day Thomas, of Washburn, who has earned the distinction of being named the Second Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Washburn District High School; (HLS 495)

Matthew Vernon Crouse, of Crouseville, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Washburn District High School; (HLS 496)

Megan Lynn Thomas, of Washburn, who has earned the distinction of being named the First Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Washburn District High School; (HLS 497)

Alison Libby, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Ashland Community High School; (HLS 498)

Dane Despres, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Ashland Community High School; (HLS 499)

the following students who have been named the top students of the 1997 graduating class of Ashland Community High School: Bethann Hummel, Sheryl Lilley, Jennifer Carney, Danica Caron, Angel Hafford, Justin Lyons, Scott Gerow and Nicole Fournier. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 500)

Angela Hainer, who has earned the distinction of being named the First Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy; (HLS 501)

Michael Aldreti, who has earned the distinction of being named the Second Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy; (HLS 502)

J. Ashley Burgoyne, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 503)

Gerti Pellumbi, who has earned the distinction of being named Co-salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 504)

Melissa Stanley, who has earned the distinction of being named Co-salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 505)

David O'Brien, who has earned the distinction of being named the First Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 506)

Heather Babineau, who has earned the distinction of being named the Second Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 507)

Lana Sage, who has earned the distinction of being named Third Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School; (HLS 508)

Heather Babcock, of Girl Scout Troop #234, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold award in recognition of her leadership skills and her commitment to Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 509) Lea Sereyko, of Girl Scout Troop #234, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold award in recognition of her leadership skills and her commitment to Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 510)

Lacey Thomas, of Girl Scout Troop #234, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold award in recognition of her leadership skills and her commitment to Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 511)

Lana Sage, of Girl Scout Troop #234, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold award in recognition of her leadership skills and her commitment to Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 512)

Virginia "Ginny" Ruth Jackson, of Scarborough, beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. Jackson was employed by Shaw's Supermarket and recently received her 20-year pin. Mrs. Jackson was an avid gardener and a member of the Scarborough Garden Club. She enjoyed most of all spending time with her family. She will be remembered fondly by her family and friends as a gentle, kind and compassionate woman; (HLS 513)

Tim Farrell, of Weeks Mills, upon being inducted into the Maine Country Music Hall of Fame. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 514)

Nicholas T. French, of South China, for being named a United States National Award winner in Student Council by the United States Achievement Academy. Mr. French is a student at Erskine Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 515)

Richard Kneeland and his family, of Fort Fairfield, for being named the 1997 Farm Family of the Year by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. The Kneeland Family is a generational farm family with good promise that the farming tradition will continue. They have been actively involved in the community and the farming industry. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 516)

Aroostook County Action Program, which is celebrating 25 years of service to the citizens of Aroostook County. The Aroostook County Action Program improves the quality of life and helps move people to independence by providing services in areas of housing, employment and training and pre-school, health and special services throughout Aroostook County. We extend our congratulations to the 175 employees and wish them many more successful years; (HLS 517)

Mike Mastropaolo, of Falmouth, upon being awarded the Mr. Maine Basketball Award by the Maine Association of Basketball Coaches. We congratulate Mr. Mastropaolo on receiving this high honor and wish him well in future basketball and academic endeavors. We commend him on his accomplishments of having been on 3 different state championship teams, on being an outstanding school citizen and an honor student; (HLS 518)

Lisa Ruth Parsons, of Mount View High School in Thorndike, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 519)

Hollie R. Brewer, of Blaine, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Central Aroostook High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 520)

Misty R. Bartley, of Mars Hill, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Central Aroostook High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 521)

Leanne J. Sullivan, of Easton, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Easton High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 522)

Melinda E. Mraz, of Fort Fairfield, who has earned the distinction of being named the top honor student of the 1997 graduating class of Fort Fairfield High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 523)

Rachel A. McMamee, of Fort Fairfield, who has earned the distinction of being named the top honor student of the 1997 graduating class of Fort Fairfield High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 524)

Nathan Stumpff, of Mount View High School in Thorndike, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 525)

Walter and Josephine Cowan, of Anson, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 24, 1997. They are the parents of Gary, Dana, Pamela and Jillane. They have had 7 grandchildren; (HLS 526)

the 50th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Ladies Auxiliary to Harvell-Bishop VFW Post #7865, of Madison. The Ladies Auxiliary was incorporated May 15, 1947 with 15 original members, 2 of whom are still members, Georgianna Peters and Edmay Boudreau. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this occasion; (HLS 527)

Lillian Martineau, of Brunswick, on the very special occasion of her 90th Birthday, May 17, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 528)

Richard R. Martin, of Caribou and York, Pennsylvania, beloved husband of Violet Martin. Mr. Martin was formerly employed by the McCorey Corporation and was most recently the manager of the York J.J. Newberry store. He was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and a member of the Lincoln Eagles Club. Mr. Martin will be dearly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 529)

Leda M. Duprey, of Caswell, beloved wife of the late Aurelle Duprey, who will be dearly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 530)

Adelaide Lapierre, of Bangor and Van Buren, who helped her husband, the late Roland V. Lapierre, operate a farm. Mrs. Lapierre also worked as a bookkeeper and clerk for the former Cyr Building Supply. She will be dearly missed by her friends and family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 531)

Irene A. Long, of Van Buren, beloved wife of the late Irenee L. Long. Mrs. Long was a member of the Ladies of St. Anne and the Third Order of Mary of St. Bruno Parish. She was a relative of Representative Rosaire Sirois and will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 532)

Hattie Ouellette, of Van Buren, beloved wife of the late Patrick A. Ouellette, who will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 533)

Jacquelyn Rennie Wagner, of Orono and Sorrento, a mother, grandmother, French teacher and community and state activist for housing. Mrs. Wagner, affectionately known as Jacquie, was instrumental in building assisted elderly housing in Penobscot, Hancock and Washington counties, a community and day care center at Talmar Wood in Orono and a group home in Bangor. In addition to her 25 years of leadership of the nonprofit Housing Foundation of Orono, she volunteered for other civic causes, and for the American Cancer Society, the Orono Health Center and Rescue Squad, the Skinner Settlement historic village in Corinth, international student and teacher exchange programs and various church and peace activities. Her cheerful striving benefited many and lifted the spirits of others. She is fondly remembered and greatly missed in her communities and by her husband, children, grandchildren and extended family in Germany and Croatia; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 534)

the members of the Industry Historical Society, for their part in recognizing the long-forgotten gravesite of Captain Nathan Daggett, a hero of the American Revolution, and in commemorating the life and contributions of Captain Daggett and his family; (HLS 535)

Louise McDonald, of Eliot, on the very special occasion of her 95th Birthday, May 25, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 536)

Clarence and Gladys Weston, of Brewer, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary on April 20, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Weston are the parents of 2 children, 8 grandchildren, 14 greatgrandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations on this special occasion; (HLS 537)

the following members of the Scarborough High School Academic Decathlon Team: Crystal Alcott, Jen Crooker, Dan Dwyer, Jamie Miller, Justin Morgan, Jenni Lee, Mark Donahue, John Santerre and Luke Lunt; alternate members Valeria Bembry, Corey Chandler and Eva D'Andrea and coaches Ellen Ross and David O'Connor on placing first in Maine's Academic Decathlon and 3rd in the small schools division at the National Academic Decathlon in Utah; (HLS 538)

Representative Randall L. Bumps, of China, upon receiving a 1997 Maine Emergency Medical Service Award in Administration for his excellent work and extensive contributions to the Emergency Medical Service System. In addition to representing the people of Albion, Benton, China and the unorganized territory of Unity Township in the Maine State Legislature, he is an emergency medical technician and an emergency medical systems administrator. We congratulate him on his award and extend our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 539)

Jay R. Lamoreau, of Mapleton, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 540)

Jenny Stackpole, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Georges Valley High School; (HLS 541)

Scott Dionne, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Caribou High School; (HLS 542)

Jonathan P. Sprague, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Caribou High School; (HLS 543)

Aaron Štillwell, of Boy Scout Troop 135 in New Gloucester, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 544)

Jaime L. Hewitt, of Easton, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Easton High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 545)

Jennie Hahn, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Georges Valley High School; (HLS 546)

John Nichols, of Wiscasset, a recipient of the Commissioner of Education's Recognition Award for being an enthusiastic supporter of the growing school-to-work program at Wiscasset High School; (HLS 547)

Owen Neill, a 6th-grade student at Pownal Elementary School, who won the 1997 New England Division Finals for boys in the Annual Oratorical Contest sponsored by the Optimist Club International. Owen won a \$1500 college scholarship for his topic of "My Vision of Tomorrow's World." We congratulate him on his achievement and extend our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 548)

Christopher J. Lee, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 549)

Christie Bisco, of Raymond, upon finishing in first place in the Women's Pro-Division at the Atlantic City Archery Classic in Atlantic City, New Jersey. We congratulate Ms. Bisco on her outstanding achievement and wish her well; (HLS 550)

the members of the New Vineyard Historical Society, for their part in recognizing the long-forgotten gravesite of Captain Nathan Daggett, a hero of the American Revolution, and in commemorating the life and contributions of Captain Daggett and his family; (HLS 551)

Vivian M. Hannan, Jr., of Union, beloved husband for 56 years of Alberta, father of 8, grandfather of 18 and greatgrandfather of 12. Known by all as "Junior," he was born, educated and worked his entire life in Union. He was happiest when surrounded by his loving family. Fond memories of family gatherings and celebrations that were a special part of his life will help cushion his family's loss. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 552)

Ed and Gladys Lewis, on the occasion of the official completion and naming of the Lewis Athletic Field in Bristol, May 24, 1997. Longtime educators, they both taught in the local schools in Bristol and at Lincoln Academy and have been active community members, contributing to the founding of Olde Bristol Days and the development of the Bristol Library. A former State Legislator, Ed was also the Bristol selectman who was personally responsible for the town acquiring Pemaquid Beach Park, the location of the Lewis Athletic Field. We extend to them our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 553)

Father Michael Doucette, of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Madawaska, who has been named State Chaplain of the Year; (HLS 554)

Jonathan Federico, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate him on his hard work and perseverance; (HLS 555)

James Weatherhead, who has been chosen as Limestone's Citizen of the Year for 1996; (HLS 556)

Ronel Delano-Ellis, Brewer High School Guidance Department Chair and student counselor, recipient of the 1997 Counselor of the Year Award in Maine from the New England Association of College Admissions Counselors; (HLS 557)

the following Top Ten Students of the 1997 graduating class of Edward Little High School in Auburn: Danielle Aline St. Hilaire, Rachael Kay Carbonneau, Loni Michelle Dion, Amy Lynne Pelletier, Dana Neil Staples, Stacey Lynn Croft, Christopher Daniel Stearns, Tammy Lynn Pelletier, Amy Sue Drinkwater, Tesia Jade Galarneau and Christina Anne Benton. We extend our congratulations to them all and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 558)

Sherrie Bonenfant, of Fort Kent, who has been named a United States National Award Winner in mathematics by the United States Achievement Academy, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her for continued success; (HLS 559)

Phillip "Spanky" Sprague, Jr., who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate him on his hard work and perseverance; (HLS 560)

Beverly Glover, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Lee Academy; (HLS 561) Sara Andrews, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Washington Academy; (HLS 562)

Erika Stratton, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Lee Academy; (HLS 563)

Jonathan Mather, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Washington Academy; (HLS 564)

Marine Sergeant Ross E. Gatcomb, of Eagle Lake, who has received the Expert Recruiter Award for outstanding performance while serving at Marine Corps Recruiting Station Eastern New England, in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 565)

Jim and Doris McBreairty on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 30, 1997. We congratulate them and wish them many more happy years; (HLS 566)

Shannon Smith, of East Wilton, recipient of the Citizen of the Year award presented by the Farmington Emblem Club; (HLS 567)

Ian E. Dawson, of Boy Scout Troop 23 in South Portland, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate him on his hard work and perseverance; (HLS 568)

Norma Leighton, of Augusta, upon her retirement after 38 years of teaching, 32 of those years at Lincoln School in Augusta. Mrs. Leighton is respected as an educator and one truly gifted in dealing with youth. Her various contributions to the Augusta schools and their students will be felt for years to come. We wish her well and thank her for many years of dedicated service; (HLS 569)

the following members of the Lee Academy Math Team, who were named the Class D State Math Meet champions: Charles Aldrich, Chandee Morrison, Erika Stratton, Hilary Emery, Joshua Mercier, Jenny Budden, Reginald Rice, William Bell, Randi Osgood, Aaron Stratton and Coach Catherine Menard. We extend our congratulations on this extraordinary achievement; (HLS 570)

Amanda Frye, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of East Grand High School in Danforth; (HLS 571)

Danielle Shay, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of East Grand High School in Danforth; (HLS 572)

Norman and Joan Soucie, who will celebrate the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 14, 1997 with family and friends on July 5, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Soucie have epitomized strength, loyalty and commitment in their 50 years of marriage and have set an example to follow for their children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and all who know them; (HLS 573)

Cheryl Cote Cyr, a loving daughter, mother, sister and friend whose death has saddened family and friends. Cheryl, a graduate of Van Buren District High School, was employed in the financial aid office of the University of Maine at Presque Isle; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 574)

Wilda Burtchell Hutcheon, of Caribou, who has been honored by the American Association of University Women for her achievements as an artist. Her works have been exhibited throughout the nation and she will attend the upcoming 24th International Congress on Arts and Communications in London, England. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 575) the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament on the occasion of the order's 50th anniversary in the United States. The religious order has been an instrumental part in the City of Waterville's Catholic community since the nuns' arrival from Canada in 1947. We extend our best wishes to the sisters as they celebrate their order's anniversary with the public; (HLS 576)

Robert and Rita Roux, of North Vassalboro, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 12, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Roux raised 3 children: Robin, Randy and Rhonda. They are grandparents to Jeffrey, Matthew, Ryan, Justin, Casey, Katie and Joseph. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to both of them on this special occasion; (HLS 577)

Patrick Connolly, a senior at Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been named a National Merit Scholar. We extend our congratulations to him on his scholastic excellence; (HLS 578)

the following Top Ten Students of the 1997 graduating class of Gray-New Gloucester High School: Rachel Russo, Valedictorian; Nicole Hazlett, Salutatorian; Brian Murphy, Dan Anderson, Kim Carpenter, Andrew Beebe, Joan Pelletier, Bridgette Bassette, Brianne Austin and Selena Ricks. We extend our congratulations to them all and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 579)

Thomas Dowd, a senior at Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been named a National Merit Scholar and who won the State Class A 100-meter butterfly swimming championship. We extend our congratulations to him on winning the athletic event and on his scholastic excellence; (HLS 580)

Corrine Albert, Bea Allen, Louise Barker, Florence Clark, Margaret Edmunds, Elenora Favre, Yvette Lauzon and Maud Midgley, members of "The Nifty Nineties," who will be the honored guests at a Silver Tea on June 17th at Ocean Pines residential complex in Old Orchard Beach; (HLS 581)

Lew Dietz, of Rockport, beloved husband of the late Denny Winters and a revered Maine author, who died April 27, 1997 at the age of 90. Always a writer of natural and outdoor themes, Mr. Dietz is internationally known for his book <u>A Seal Called Andre</u>; and nationally known for his boys' adventure stories, the Jeff White series and <u>The Allagash</u> in the Rivers of America series. <u>Night Train at Wiscasset Station</u> was Mr. Dietz's own favorite among his many works. His commitment to the fine arts was evident in his service of 6 years on the Maine Commission on the Arts and Humanities and his assistance in the establishment of the Maine Coast Artists' gallery in Rockport; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 582)

the following top Ten Students of the 1997 graduating class of Marshwood High School in Eliot: Valedictorian Gabriel Crowl, Salutatorian Julie Jane Avery, Jean-Sebastien Roy, Daniel Kloda, Kathryn Ann Donhauser, Christian L. Martinez, Karlie Parent, Adina Rowan, Meaghan McNamara and Emily Stanton. We extend our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 583)

Maurice Lindsey, of Rockland, well known by Rockland residents and many summer visitors for his portrayal of the sailor "Popeye" in the Maine Lobster Festival for more than 35 years. He will be fondly remembered for his generous efforts to welcome and entertain his many friends in mid-coast Maine; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 584)

Gerald and Thelma D'Amboise, Sr., of Brewer, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, April 16, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. D'Amboise raised 4 children. They have 12 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 585)

the following Top Four Students of the 1997 graduating class of Buckfield Junior-Senior High School: Kristy Stevens, Sarah Bradeen, Maryse Charest and Jason Tardy. We extend our congratulations to them all and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 586)

Melissa Curry, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School in Milo. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 587)

Nik Granger, who has earned the distinction of being named the 1st Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School in Milo. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 588)

Ann Marie Erickson, on being named "Student of the Year" by Eastern Maine Technical College; (HLS 589)

Tiffany Wallingford, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Greenville High School. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 590)

Bryce Royal, who has earned the distinction of being named the 2nd Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School in Milo. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 591)

Mark Dell'Olio, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School in Milo. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 592)

Jess Packard, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Greenville High School. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 593)

Dr. Thomas Marx, for 23 years as Superintendent of SAD #28. Over the years, Dr. Marx has been accountable to several school boards; the student population has ranged from 1160 students to 1466 students; 4 buildings have been extended or built; and of the 120 faculty and staff positions, Dr. Marx has been involved in the hiring of all but 12 people. Currently, 5 towns have formed a community school district and are proceeding toward building a new high school. Dr. Marx is a dedicated teacher, an administrator of vision and stamina, a public servant dedicated to the best for his young people and a husband and father of devotion and integrity. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Marx for his years of service and offer him best wishes for a positive, productive and joy-filled retirement; (HLS 594)

Doris Demers, food service manager at the Berwick Elementary School, who is the recipient of the Maine School Food Service Association's Award of Excellence, an annual award honoring an outstanding nutritional program in the State. Ms Demers' nutrition program is designed to promote healthful eating habits. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 595)

Forrest Johnson, of Berwick, for 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion; (HLS 596)

Phil Mathews, of Berwick, for 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion; (HLS 597)

Richard Beamish, of Berwick, for 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion; (HLS 598)

Scott Levasseur, of Boy Scout Troop #518 in Wilton, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Scott entered scouting in 1994 with Troop #586 in Farmington. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 599)

Ryan L. Martin, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 600) Jonathan E. Volk, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 601)

Leo E. Soucy, of Van Buren, beloved husband of Patricia Soucy. Mr. Soucy was an Army veteran of World War II and a member and adjutant of the American Legion, Levasseur-Farrell Post No. 49. He was a member of the Van Buren Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the Knights of Columbus Council No. 1635. He was a professional artist and was employed as a supervisor in the paint shop at the former Loring Air Force Base. Mr. Soucy had the distinction of receiving the first civilian identification badge at the base. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 602)

Sister Ludwina Deveau, who made her religious profession to the Sisters of the Holy Rosary in Rimouski, Quebec on February 2, 1942. Sister Ludwina taught in parochial schools in Upper Frenchville and Millinocket and was a religious education coordinator and teacher in Old Orchard Beach. She was also involved in health care and had worked as an LPN at the Good Shepherd Sisters nursing home and was an assistant director and secretary at the Christian Life Center in Upper Frenchville; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 603)

Vernon H. Anderson, of Caribou, beloved husband of Yvonne E. Anderson. Mr. Anderson was a veteran of World War II, having served with distinction in the European Theater of Operations. He was a member of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church, a life member of the Smart-Ricker Post #10 Disabled American Veterans and the Lister-Knowlton Post VFW No. 9389 and a member of the Aroostook Chapter of Retired Federal Employees. He will be remembered by many as a longtime Little League coach; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 604)

Alfred and Ethel Tibbetts, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 19, 1997; (HLS 605)

Alvina A. Cyr, beloved wife of the late Harvey Cyr, an employee of the Milford School Department where she served as librarian and special education aide. Mrs. Cyr was a member of the Holy Family Parish, the Emblem Club of the Old Town Elks Lodge, St. Cecelia's Circle, Daughters of Isabella and the Penobscot Women's Club. She will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 606)

Jeremy Dill, who has earned the distinction of being named the top student of the 1997 graduating class of Old Town High School. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 607)

the following Top Ten Students of the 1997 graduating class of Noble High School in Berwick: Valedictorian Eric Thompson, Salutatorian Kelly Urbanski, Kip Plaisted, Kelly Lovejoy, Melinda Roy, Jamie Elliot, Lauren Bowker, Hannah Dodd, Josh Tabor and Jen Millett. We extend our congratulations to them and offer our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 608)

Henry N. Simpson, husband, father, grandfather, veteran, shipyard safety officer and volunteer firefighter. Mr. Simpson entered the apprentice program at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and retired as the Shipyard Safety Officer. He served as Captain for the Washington Hose Company, in Kennebunk, from 1977-1995 and was active in a wide variety of firefighting, burn treatment and charitable organizations, including the Masons and the Shriners. Mr. Simpson will be sadly missed by his family, friends, fellow firefighters and citizens throughout his community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 609)

Richard Bibber, of Kennebunk, who has been selected as the Illustrious Potentate of the Kora Temple. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 610) Chelsea Mae Eason, of Madawaska, who has earned the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 611)

Katherine Thompson Buck, of Southport, who will celebrate her 95th Birthday on August 15, 1997. Mrs. Buck has 4 children, 8 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 612)

the following members and coach of the Odyssey of the Mind, "Omerdriod," Division 3 team from Leavitt Area High School who will participate in the World Finals on June 8, 1997: members Abigail Havener, Samantha Plummer, Jon Martin, Adam Roy, Willie Hall, Karly Eretzian and Joe McLean and coach Virginia Plummer. We extend our best wishes for success in the World Finals; (HLS 613)

the following members and coaches of the Odyssey of the Mind, "Balloonacy Cars," Division 2 team from Tripp Middle School who will participate in the World Finals on June 8, 1997: members Stacey Knoll, Mark Gustafson, Eben Dingman, Katherine Johnson, Brendan Cassidy and Brian Crabtree and coaches Cindy Tibbetts and Cindy Crabtree. We extend our best wishes for success in the World Finals; (HLS 614)

Anne Blanchard, who has been selected by the Foreign Language Association of Maine as the 1997 Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Blanchard has been a distinguished teacher of French at Presque Isle High School for 22 years and is well known for her dedication to her students as well as her community. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 615)

Ronald G. Fitzgerald, on being selected for the Northern Maine Technical College President's Award. We extend our congratulations and wish to acknowledge his achievement; (HLS 616)

Jean Harding, on being selected for a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Lions Club and Elks Lodge. We wish to celebrate this achievement and commend her for her life-long commitment to her friends, family and community; (HLS 617)

Michael MacPherson, of Presque Isle, on being named Citizen of the Year by the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Lions Club and Elks Lodge. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 618)

the Maranacook Community School and Saunders Manufacturing, of Readfield, recipients of an award in the national "Make A Difference Day" project of newspapers. The school and the manufacturing company donated 7,500 pounds of food to food banks and the family violence shelter. Kathy Schulz, representing the school, and Kelly Ross, representing the manufacturing company, coordinated this event. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 619)

Donna Grant, of Manchester, who is retiring as Registrar of Probate after 18 years of serving Kennebec County with dedication and distinction, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 620)

Elin Krouse and Greta Nelson, of Arundel, on having their poster selected as a winner in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Paul G. Keough Earth Artist Program. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 621)

Mary Kilburn Wasgatt, longtime resident of Rockland. She worked for many years at the Farnsworth Museum and became known as its "walking archive" and was considered its "Wyeth expert." In addition, she was active in the Rockland Congregational Church and she volunteered at Knox Hospital, the Knox County Red Cross Association and the Maine Seafoods Festival. We fondly remember her respect for our community and her dedication to its people; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 622)

Patrick J. Connolly, of Kittery, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Traip Academy; (HLS 623)

Amy L. Ruksznis, of Kittery, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Traip Academy; (HLS 624)

Janet Foley, on her retirement as Executive Director of the 55 Plus Center in Brunswick, Maine. In her 10 years of service to the Center, she saw a significant increase in membership to over 3000 members and she strengthened its financial condition. She also made additional space for the members of the Center as well as creating subcommittees to more adequately support their needs. We congratulate her on a job very well done and wish her well in her retirement; (HLS 625)

Gerald and Thelma D'Amboise, Sr., of Brewer, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, April 16, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. D'Amboise raised 4 children. They have 12 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 626)

Melissa Mitchell, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Eastport High School, and in extending our congratulations; (HLS 627)

Christina Cole, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Lubec High School, and in extending our congratulations; (HLS 628)

the following students of the Reeds Brook School, in Hampden: Adam Boss, Adam Beaulieu, Adam Hamilton, Aimee Brown and Heather Prescott, who won the 1997 Spring Stock Market Game in the Eastern Maine Middle School region. The event was sponsored by the Maine Council on Economic Education and involves over 9,000 students from grades 4 through 12 with participants from every area of the State. We extend our congratulations to these students, their teachers, their families and their community for this impressive achievement; (HLS 629)

Elizabeth A. Fitzgerald, of China, for her years of dedicated service to the Town of China. Ms. Fitzgerald has been a teacher at Erskine Academy for 25 years, a municipal officer since 1994 and has also served as Election Clerk. We commend her for her commitment to the democratic process and in training future leaders of local and state government; (HLS 630)

Elmer and Leo Faucher, of Dover-Foxcroft, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 4, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 631)

David Hooper, of Boy Scout Troop #586 in Farmington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 632)

the Branch Mills Grange and its members, on the 100th Anniversary of the Grange, January, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes on this centennial celebration; (HLS 633)

Thomas C. Dowd, of Kittery, who has earned the distinction of being named Honor Part of the 1997 graduating class of Traip Academy; (HLS 634)

Megan A. Hayes, of Kittery, who has earned the distinction of being named Honor Part of the 1997 graduating class of Traip Academy; (HLS 635) Cable TV of the Kennebunks, on winning the Governor's Award for Business Excellence. The award recognizes companies that excel in commitment to community, employees and service excellence. Formed 19 years ago, Cable TV of the Kennebunks has continued to grow and now provides cable service to more than 8,000 homes in Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Arundel, Alfred, Lyman and Dayton. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 636)

Marvin Higgins, of Camden, on his 26 years of leadership as Principal of Rockport Elementary School. Through every up and down of budgets, population shifts, mandates and curriculum changes, from single-age to multi-age groupings and accommodating the many variations called for by the 2 school buildings, plus all the add-ons and even leading the district as Superintendent pro tem, Mr. Higgins has provided uncounted hours of attention and leadership. He has always been evenhanded, dedicated and generous with his considerable energy. We wish him the best on his upcoming Appalachian Trail Walk and every adventure in the many retirement years to come; (HLS 637)

the following Top Ten Students of the 1997 graduating class of Leavitt Area High School: Seth NcNear, Erik Gustafson, Michelle Pirruccello, Elizabeth Rothe, Destiny Allen, Marsha Bryant, Joline Farris, Sylvia Rodriguez, Ryan Keith and Jessica Hunter. We extend our congratulations to them and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 638)

Alisa MacArthur, of Crystal, who has earned the distinction of being selected Second Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community High School and in extending our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 639)

Hannah Stevens, of Crystal, who has earned the distinction of being selected First Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community High School and in extending our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 640)

Morgan McKeen Hynes, of Owls Head, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Rockland District High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 641)

Kenneth J. "June" Ouellette, beloved husband of Bertha Ouellette, whose death has saddened family and friends. Mr. Ouellette was a well-known potato grower for more than 25 years and had been in the excavation business for several years. He was a lifelong member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church and a 4th Degree member of the Fred V. Brescia Council, Knights of Columbus No. 1870; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 642)

Gail Hooper, of Camden, Director of Food Services, on her retirement after 26 years of dedicated service to the teachers and students of S.A.D. 28. Ms. Hooper has maintained a solid working team, has overseen many adaptations to students' tastes, and has been honored by the State Association of Food Service Workers with their award of excellence; (HLS 643)

Gregory Dore, of Smyrna Mills, who has earned the distinction of being selected Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community High School and in extending our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 644)

Eric Crandall, of Oakfield, who has earned the distinction of being selected Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community High School and in extending our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 645) Colleen G. Reed, of Westbrook, on being elected President of the Maine State Association of Parliamentarians on May 3rd at the 11th annual convention held in Yarmouth. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 646)

Avis Cantafio, on the occasion of her retirement from the Limestone School System after 29 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 647)

Robert King, on the occasion of his retirement from the Limestone School System after 31 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 648)

Sandra Leighton, on the occasion of her retirement from the Limestone School System after 17 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 649)

William Morrell, on the occasion of his retirement from the Limestone School System after 33 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 650)

Norma Robinson, on the occasion of her retirement from the Limestone School System after 39 years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 651)

the Ladies of Saint Anne of Saint Augustine's Parish, on the honored occasion of their centennial anniversary. We extend our best wishes as they celebrate this special anniversary; (HLS 652)

Linwood F. Williams, of Union, who was the beloved husband of Pauline. He was a United States Marine Corps Veteran of World War II and the Korean and Vietnam Wars and worked at the Maine State Prison for 20 years. Mr. Williams was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Masons and the Marine Corps League and was the brother of Representative Christine Savage of Union. He had 4 children, 3 stepchildren and 13 grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 653)

Lena Jacques, of Livermore Falls, who will celebrate the occasion of her 100th birthday on July 23, 1997. She will celebrate her birthday with members and friends of the George Bunten Post #10, American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary where she has been a member for 55 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 654)

Dosithee Gosselin, of Livermore Falls, who will celebrate the occasion of his 100th birthday on July 10, 1997. He will celebrate his birthday with members and friends of the George Bunten Post #10, American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary. Mr. Gosselin has been a member of the American Legion for 75 years. He served his country during World War I and is a past Commander of Post #10. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 655)

Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn R. Morrow, of Wells, on the honored occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 14, 1997; (HLS 656)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Morrow, of Kennebunk, on the honored occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 25, 1997; (HLS 657)

the University of Southern Maine baseball team on winning the NCAA Division III national championship. This is the 2nd national title for the University of Southern Maine in 7 seasons. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 658)

General Clayton O. Totman, U.S. Marine Corps, retired, of Waldoboro, a forestry graduate of the University of Maine class of 1935, for his efforts to restore the American Chestnut tree to the forests of Maine through the promotion of research and community support. General Totman's numerous forestry contributions include: contributor to the construction of the A.D. Nutting Hall, home of the University of Maine School of Forestry; a founding member of the Maine Forest Products Council; Director during the formative years of the Maine Christmas Tree Association; participant and supporter of Resource Conservation and Development programs serving private landowners of coastal Maine; a past Tree Farmer of the Year in Maine and the Northeast Region; a devoted early pioneer in the growing of nut trees for farm woodlots; and an inspiration for forming the American Chestnut Task Force, serving as its Honorary Chair; (HLS 659)

Denise Gagnon, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named 1st Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Schenck High School; (HLS 660)

Linnette Day, of Woodville and Houlton, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to her; (HLS 661)

Rebecca York, of Medway, who has earned the distinction of being named 2nd Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Schenck High School; (HLS 662)

Erin Chavarie, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named 3rd Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Schenck High School; (HLS 663)

Jessica Miner, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Schenck High School; (HLS 664)

Kelly Morin, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Schenck High School; (HLS 665)

Mattanawcook Junior High School, recipient of the National Association of Secondary School Principals and John Herklotz Award for outstanding contributions to teaching democracy. The award is part of the National Student and Parent Mock Elections and recognizes the mock election program developed by Donna Przystup and the efforts of her students in demonstrating the democratic process in a manner in which the school, parents and community can participate. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 666)

Kenneth Young, of Alton, for his 27 years of dedicated service to his community as selectman. His unselfish dedication will be missed by all who have worked with him; (HLS 667)

the Woodland Consolidated School, the Runner-Up in the Maine Energy Education Program competition and "Best in Nation" honors in the primary division in the National Energy Education Development, and in extending our congratulations; (HLS 668)

Reginald C. Plourde, of Fort Kent and Caribou, for his work and dedication to the Maine Veterans' Homes where he was a member of the board of trustees. He was instrumental in obtaining the Caribou Nursing Home and coincidentally resides there today. Mr. Plourde was also a member of the 108th Maine Legislature. We extend our appreciation to him for his many years of service to our State and its veterans; (HLS 669)

Gabriel Perrow, of Hampden, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Bangor Christian High School; (HLS 670)

Rebecca Rozario, of Bangor, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of the Bangor Christian High School; (HLS 671)

Deanna C. Michaud, of Eddington, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997

graduating class of John Bapst Memorial High School; (HLS 672)

Katherine C. Moffett, of Eddington, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of John Bapst Memorial High School; (HLS 673)

the following members of the 6th Grade Future Problem Solvers from York Middle School upon winning the 1997 Maine State Bowl: Stuart Foster, Alyce Nicolo, Alex Redfield, Sara Reisz and Becky Wacker. They will be one of 3 teams representing Maine at the 24th Annual International Future Problem Solving Conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan on June 13-16. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for success in Ann Arbor; (HLS 674)

Jared Beers, of Kittery, who is a student at Traip Academy, for being selected to play on the 1997 Shriner's Lobster Bowl Football Team, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 675)

Raymond J. Morin, of Yarmouth, who has been elected President of the Richelieu International, which encompasses 300 clubs in 14 countries. The Richelieu International is the only French-speaking service club in the world and provides funding for research in finding a cure for leukemia and other childhood diseases. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 676)

Dr. Thomas Marx, for 23 years as Superintendent of SAD #28. Over the years, Dr. Marx has been accountable to several school boards; the student population has ranged from 1160 students to 1466 students; 4 buildings have been extended or built; and of the 120 faculty and staff positions, Dr. Marx has been involved in the hiring of all but 12 people. Currently, 5 towns have formed a community school district and are proceeding toward building a new high school. Dr. Marx is a dedicated teacher, an administrator of vision and stamina, a public servant dedicated to the best for his young people and a husband and father of devotion and integrity. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Marx for his years of service and offer him best wishes for a positive, productive and joy-filled retirement; (HLS 677)

Marion Soule Berry, on the special 85th Anniversary of her graduation from Wiscasset Academy. She graduated in the year 1912, and we extend our congratulations to her and warmest wishes on this extraordinary occasion; (HLS 678)

Phyllis Coggeshall, of Cape Elizabeth, for her dedication and hard work on the Cape Elizabeth Town Council upon her retirement after nine years of service. In addition to serving two terms as Chair and two terms as Finance Committee chair, Phyllis also served as Chair of the Zoning Ordinance Revision Committee and took an active roll in promoting the purchase of the Community Center and the acquisition of Portland Head Light and the related development of the Museum at Portland Head Light. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 679)

Janet McLaughlin, of Cape Elizabeth, for her dedication and hard work on the Cape Elizabeth Town Council upon her retirement after nine years of service. In addition to serving two terms as Chair and two terms as Finance Committee Chair, Janet also served on the Appointments Committee helping to recruit volunteers to serve on various Cape Elizabeth boards and commissions. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 680)

Jill Wardwell, of Ashland, who has earned the high honor and distinction of being given the Girl Scout Gold Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 681) Natalie Olberding, of Ashland, who has earned the distinction of being given the Girl Scout Gold Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 682)

Brittany Cline, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Windham High School; (HLS 683)

Karen Walp, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Windham High School; (HLS 684)

Father Valmont R. Gilbert, of St. Bernard's Church in Rockland, on the occasion of his 40th Anniversary of his priesthood. Father Gilbert has served his church, the community and the State with distinction and dedication. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him at this special time; (HLS 685)

Leslie LaCasce, who has earned the distinction of being named the 2nd Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Greenville High School; (HLS 686)

Laura Ponkala, who has earned the distinction of being named the 1st Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Greenville High School; (HLS 687)

Brenda Pike, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Piscataquis Community High School; (HLS 688)

Dana Śmith, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Piscataquis Community High School; (HLS 689)

Betty Glidden, of Palermo, on the special occasion of her retirement after 35 years of teaching, of which 32 years were spent in Palermo schools. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her; (HLS 690)

the Third Grade at Wayne Elementary School, their teacher Donna Taranko and the Helpers for History for their hard work and perseverance in their oral history project and the publication of their book, "Life and Schools in Wayne 1890-1940." We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 691)

Hugh Butler, Stephen Caron, and Thomas Hanscome, whose quick response saved the life of a Westbrook boy who had fallen into the freezing water of the Presumpscot River. We extend our heartfelt thanks to these gentlemen for their successful rescue of the young Westbrook resident; (HLS 692)

Carl Turner, for his years of dedication and caring for the members of United Paperworkers International Union Local #9, their families, the community and the labor movement in the State; (HLS 693)

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bartlett, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 22, 1997. They were married at the First Baptist Church in Kittery Point. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 694)

Auretta J. Tenan, who received the Boston Post Cane on May 2, 1997 from the Town of Carmel for being the oldest citizen at the age of 94. Mrs. Tenan was born September 26, 1902 and was married to the late Edmund Tenan. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 695)

the Reverend Elden H. Shute, Jr., of Farmington, who was a former Member of the Maine State Legislature, having served in the House of Representatives during the 105th and 106th Legislatures and served in the Senate during the 103rd Legislature. He also served as Deputy Secretary of State and Clerk of the Courts for Franklin County. He was a United States Marine Corps veteran of World War II, having served with the Seventh Marines, on Okinawa and in China. Reverend Shute was President and one of the founders of the Lewiston-Auburn Broadcasting Corporation and was long associated with the industry. He was a member of many social, civic and fraternal organizations. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 696)

Margaret Marshall, for her many years of commitment to the cause of ending homelessness in Maine. Since its inception in 1989, she has staffed the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness and Affordable Housing, having contributed greatly and with admirable compassion to the important work of the Task Force. Her experience, energy and caring will be missed on the Task Force. We extend our appreciation and wish her well in her new career as a homeless services provider; (HLS 697)

John L. Baker, of Dixfield, who was a Member of the Maine House of Representatives in the 118th Legislature. He was an educator for 40 years in SAD No. 21. He will be remembered for his encouragement and hard work to develop and increase scholarship opportunities for SAD No. 21 students. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 698)

Christopher Wholesalers Incorporated, of Madison, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. Four generations of the Christopher family have been committed to serving Maine's people. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success in the future; (HLS 699)

Leo and Betty Demchak, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 21, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Demchak raised 6 children: Robert, Christine, Joanne, Richard, David and James. They have 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren; (HLS 700)

Arnold Hopkins, of Millinocket, for 40 years of teaching in Millinocket. We appreciate his dedication to the students and community; (HLS 701)

Darrell Morrow, for his 20 years as teacher at Massabesic High School and as director of choral music. Mr. Morrow is a dedicated teacher who developed an outstanding choral music program at the high school. He is highly respected throughout the State as an outstanding music educator. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him as he continues in his music and educational profession; (HLS 702)

Reverend Chandler M. Holmes and Marian Holmes, of North Waterboro, upon their retirement from the North Waterboro Community Baptist Church after 52 years in the ministry. Reverend Holmes was ordained into the American Baptist Ministry by his father on June 22, 1945. Reverend Holmes and Mrs. Holmes were married in Waterboro in August 1943 and returned there to serve at the North Waterboro Community Baptist Church in April, 1970. Members and friends of the North Waterboro Community Baptist Church have always appreciated the part Chandler and Marian play in their lives and those of the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 703)

Jason Inman, of Boy Scout Troop #57 in Millinocket, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 704)

Bruce L. Chasse, of Boy Scout Troop #190 in Madawaska, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 705)

Matt Raymond, who has been named a United States National Award winner in mathematics by the United States Achievement Academy. Matt was nominated for this prestigious award by Roger Delong, a teacher at Ashland Middle School. Matt's achievement bestows great credit on Ashland Middle School, his parents Cheryl and Patrick Raymond of Portage Lake and his grandparents Glena Condon of Portage Lake and Effie Raymond of Eagle Lake. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 706)

Adam Raymond, who has been named an All-American Scholar by the United States Achievement Academy. To receive this recognition, a student has to earn at least a 3.3 grade point average and must be recommended by an instructor or counselor. Adam's achievement bestows great credit on Ashland Community High School, his parents, Cheryl and Patrick Raymond of Portage Lake and his grandparents Glena Condon of Portage Lake and Effie Raymond of Eagle Lake. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 707)

Katherine Thompson Buck, of Southport, who will celebrate her 95th Birthday on August 15, 1997. Mrs. Buck has 4 children, 8 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 708)

John Edward Zomberg, of Rockland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Rockland District High School, as well as being one of 2600 candidates nationwide for a 1997 Presidential Scholar. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 709)

the Southern Aroostook High School "Lady Warriors," coached by Jon Porter, who won the 1997 Eastern Maine Class D Softball Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 710)

Leon H. and Catherine P. Ladner, of Easton, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 9, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 711)

Lillian R. Keirstead, of Easton, on the occasion of her 95th Birthday, August 25, 1997. Mrs. Keirstead has 2 children, 3 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and one great-greatgrandchild. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 712)

Shandi Rossi, of Cherryfield, who received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Her service project involved refurbishing the Nursery School in Cherryfield and included painting the walls, bookcases and woodwork. Shandi created a new library for the school, constructed flannel story boards and built a new dollhouse for the children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 713)

Amanda Knight, of Cherryfield, who received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Her service project involved refurbishing the Nursery School in Cherryfield and included painting the walls, bookcases and woodwork. Amanda created a new library for the school, constructed flannel story boards and built a new dollhouse for the children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 714)

Chelsey Babiarz, of Cherryfield, who received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Her service project involved refurbishing the Nursery School in Cherryfield and included painting the walls, bookcases and woodwork. Chelsey created a new library for the school, constructed flannel story boards and built a new dollhouse for the children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 715)

Amanda Barbee, of Cherryfield, who received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Her service project involved refurbishing the Nursery School in Cherryfield and included painting the walls, bookcases and woodwork. Amanda created a new library for the school, constructed flannel story boards and built a new dollhouse for the children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 716) Rebecca Robitaille, of Cherryfield, who received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Her service project involved refurbishing the Nursery School in Cherryfield and included painting the walls, bookcases and woodwork. Rebecca created a new library for the school, constructed flannel story boards and built a new dollhouse for the children. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 717)

Lillian M. Lemke, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of her 80th birthday. Lillian, daughter of George and Mamie Morgan, wife of the late Edgar Lemke and mother of State Representative William Lemke, has contributed greatly to the education of students as a teacher and elementary school principal in Warren. Mrs. Lemke has also been active in education and Methodist Church activities in her native Lisbon Falls and still operates an antique shop in that village, where she is noted for her knowledge of antiques and her great love of people; (HLS 718)

Jill Barrows, of Bath, for receiving the high honor and distinction of the Girl Scout Gold Award. This award is for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievement; (HLS 719)

Jessica Crothers, of Brunswick, for receiving the high honor and distinction of the Girl Scout Gold Award. The award is for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievement; (HLS 720)

Donald C. Hinckley, of Brunswick, beloved husband of the late Barbara Hinckley. Mr. Hinckley operated the family business, Band Box Cleaners, for several years prior to becoming a photographer for the Brunswick Record and later the Times Record. Mr. and Mrs. Hinckley also operated Hinckley Photo, a photography business specializing in weddings, anniversaries and other occasions. He also shot news and sports footage for WGAN-TV. Mr. Hinckley was the recipient of numerous awards and recognition by the Maine Professional Photographer's Association and was active in his community and as a member of several professional and service organizations. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 721)

E. Maynard "Sandy" Graffam, Jr., devoted husband of Janice Small Graffam, father, grandfather and friend. Mr. Graffam was a longtime local businessman, a community volunteer, a selectman, an active member of several service organizations including the St. Paul's Masonic Lodge, the Camden Rotary Club and the Rockland Lodge of Elks, a member of the former Rockport United Methodist Church and a member of the Marine Resources Advisory Council. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 722)

the members of the Madison Area Memorial High School girls softball team and Coach Al Veneziano, winners of the Class C State Championship for the 4th consecutive year; (HLS 723)

Mary Joyce, of Portland, on the special occasion of her 80th birthday, June 19, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 724)

P.J. Gorneault, for a terrific year as a member of the boys' cross-country team at Caribou High School. P.J. placed first in every regular season meet held in the fall of 1996 in the County and finished among the top 5 in meets held in Old Town, Waterville and Ellsworth. Additionally, P.J. won the Eastern Maine Championship held in Orono and placed 6th in the 1997 Class A State Championship held in Augusta. We extend our congratulations on his achievements and offer our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 725)

Bessie Coombs Haskell, 1896-1997, a longtime resident of Hart Neck, Tenants Harbor. She was a teacher, a writer and a tireless worker for the improvement of social conditions. She was particularly interested in the education of children, and with her husband, the late Henry Haskell, she established the first multiracial children's summer camp in New England, Blueberry Cove, at Hart Neck. Her positive and uplifting influence is gratefully remembered by those whose lives she touched; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 726)

Hada Sessions, of Norway, who received the Girl Scout Gold Award during a ceremony on June 28, 1997. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her accomplishment; (HLS 727)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind Team of the Guy Rowe School, who won the Maine Regional Division 1 Championship and the State Division 1 Championship: Nate Allen, Claire Harbage, Kyle Ingram, John Melhus, Leif Melhus, Janaya Millett and Savannah Sessions; Coach Shirli Allen; and M.S.A.D. #17 Odyssey of the Mind Coordinator, Heather Thomson. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement; (HLS 728)

Madeline M. Cyr, of Augusta, for her dedication and hard work as the City Clerk of Augusta for 32 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 729)

Donald H. Bumps, of China, beloved husband of Julia Cunningham, who will be sadly missed by family and friends. Mr. Bumps is the grandfather of Representative Randall Bumps. Mr. Bumps was a longtime member of the Central Lodge No. 45 A.F. & A.M. and the China Fire Department; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 730)

Elise E. Devito, who finished in the top 10 of her class at St. Thomas Aquinas High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society and served on the Student Advisory Board. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes on future endeavors; (HLS 731)

Richard Baumer, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of his retirement after 49 years as a licensed barber. Located on Main Street in Lisbon Falls for over 45 years, Baumer's Barber Shop was the "political boiling pot" for town, state and national politics. We commend him for his community support and extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 732)

June Agathos, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of her retirement after 25 years of dedicated service to School Union 30. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 733)

William Sylvanus Brawn, of Camden, a distinguished veteran of World War II and retired Lieutenant Colonel from the Air Force Reserve. After teaching business education at several different schools he managed and later owned the French and Brawn Grocery Store in Camden until his retirement in 1977. Mr. Brawn's considerable civic service was demonstrated through his work with the Lions Club, the First Congregational Church, the Masons, the Maine Teachers Association, the V.F.W., the Camden Community Hospital and Health Care Center, the Republican town and county committees and the M. Alton French Scholarship Fund. Mr. Brawn was a devoted father and husband who will be deeply missed by his family and his community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 734)

Amanda Bailey, of Woolwich, who is the recipient of the Girl Scout Gold Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her in earning the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting; (HLS 735)

Barbara Ingham, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to her; (HLS 736)

Nadine Millett, of Brewer, a teacher at John Bapst Memorial High School, who has been named the Business Teacher of the Year by the Business Education Association of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 737)

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntley, of LaGrange, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary on July 3, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Huntley have 3 children and 3 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on their Golden Wedding Anniversary; (HLS 738)

Eric Eugene Lane, of Boy Scout Troop #428 of Pittsfield, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 739)

Melissa Rogers, of Oakland, for receiving the high honor and distinction of the Girl Scout Gold Award. This award is for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievement; (HLS 740)

Calvin and Rae Tapley, of Medway, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 741)

the Port Clyde Baptist Church, on the special occasion of the 100th Anniversary of its construction, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to the congregation on this centennial celebration; (HLS 742)

William Frank Robinson, Sr., of Glenburn, who was associated with law enforcement for most of his adult life, and who was the husband of Sandra George Robinson. Mr. Robinson served with the Bangor Police Department for 4 years and then with the Maine State Police, retiring in 1985 with the rank of Lieutenant. He was a communicant of St. John's Catholic Church. He was a member of Pine Cone Council No. 114; Pine Cone Assembly, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus; a member and past master of Rising Virtue Masonic Lodge No. 10; a member of Monument Lodge No. 96 of Houlton; Aroostook Chapter No. 29 R.A.M., St. Aldemar Commandery No. 17, Temple Band and Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Masons 32nd Degree. He will be sadly missed by family, friends and colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 743)

Linsey Harmon, of Brooksville, upon receiving the Girl Scout Silver Award, one of the highest awards available to Cadette Girl Scouts. The award is based on excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 744)

Kenneth and Diane Card, of Kennebunk, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 1, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 745)

Paula Gaudet, principal of Winthrop Grade School, and to all students and staff, who are winners of the 1997 Annual Peace Award from the Winthrop Area People for Peace. They are being honored for making Winthrop Grade School a safer and happier place for everyone. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 746)

Florence and Earl Turner, of Hartford, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 28, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 747)

Amy Pelletier, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Madawaska High School; (HLS 748)

Sarah Landry, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Madawaska High School; (HLS 749)

Walter H. Nadeau, of Old Town, a retired postmaster of the Old Town Post Office, a retired state quartermaster for the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a recipient of the prestigious Distinguished Service Award by the V.F.W. He was a veteran of the United States Army and had been recalled to active duty during World War II. Mr. Nadeau will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 750)

Clayton and Helen Currie, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 751)

George Kelly, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary as a member of the Knights of Columbus and in extending our appreciation to him for his years of service to the Millinocket area as a member of that organization; (HLS 752)

Robert Glidden, on the occasion of his retirement as a dispatcher for the Millinocket Police Department after years of dedicated service. We extend our congratulations on his retirement; (HLS 753)

James Kotredes, on his retirement as Town Manager for the Town of Millinocket, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 754)

Arthur and Helen Bouchie, of Milbridge, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 2, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Bouchie have 4 children and 8 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 755)

the following members of the Monmouth Academy Varsity Softball Team: Amanda Riggs, Emily McCue, Deb Larrabee, Jen Black, Laurel Poole, Angela Rioux, Missy Jones, Christy Howard, Georgia Riggs, Liz Thibodeau, Michelle Ramiller, Jessica Diamond, Tessie Gray, Faith Flannery and Hannah Jackson; Managers Rachel Ellis and Wendy Dunn; Coach Rachel Bernier; and Assistant Coaches Pat Westberry, Jen Howard and Rita Howard on winning the 1997 Western Maine Class D Softball Championship and the 1997 State Class D Softball Championship. We congratulate them on their accomplishment and for their hard work and dedication; (HLS 756)

Artheline Chasse, of Van Buren and St. Agatha, who will be missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 757)

Adrienne D. Gensler, of Van Buren. Mrs. Gensler had been a bank teller in Ossining, New York for 30 years and returned to Maine 9 years ago. She will be missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 758)

Corey and Judith Douglas, upon their retirement, after almost 30 years of service in elementary education for the Rockland area. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas came to S.A.D. No. 5 in 1978, beginning as an elementary school principal and teacher. They remained in similar positions throughout their careers in the district, serving hundreds of students and families. We appreciate their service and dedication to the community and wish them well; (HLS 759)

Ludger and Sylvia Ouellet, of Fort Kent, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 20, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Ouellet have 5 children and 2 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 760)

VFW Post #10989, the Chasse-Stillings Memorial Post, of North Berwick, for winning the "Post of the Year 1996-1997" award. In addition to winning this prestigious award, the Post has also won the National Safety Award, National Youth Award, Americanism Award, Community Service Award, Most New and Reinstated Members Award for Division One and Safety Award for Recognition for Others. We congratulate the Post and its members for their dedication and service to all Veterans and citizens of this State; (HLS 761)

Robert "Pat" and Charlene Bearor Carroll, of Gray, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 25, 1997. They are the parents of Jeanna Burnell, twins Donnie and Daniel and twins Mathew and Michael. They also have 10 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 762)

Emily Farley, for her lifelong dedication to the League of Women Voters and congratulate her on having the Education Fund of the League of Women Voters named in her honor; (HLS 763)

Jeremias Montejo, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Cheverus High School; (HLS 764)

Jan Michael Shacharko, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Cheverus High School; (HLS 765)

the members of the Cheverus High School Boys Track Team, winners of the Class A Outdoor Track Championship; (HLS 766)

Weston K. Smith, of Glenburn, for his dedication and commitment to the children and the community of Glenburn. Mr. Smith has worked for the last 2 decades to provide children and adults with opportunities to be involved in numerous recreational activities. Mr. Smith's service has increased the well-being of the children and the community as a whole. We are deeply appreciative of his contributions and he will continue to inspire us to find the greatness within ourselves and our community; (HLS 767)

Town of Glenburn on the occasion of its 175th Anniversary in July 1997. We extend our best wishes to the good citizens of that community as they celebrate this special anniversary; (HLS 768)

Donald C. Hinckley, of Brunswick, beloved husband of the late Barbara Hinckley. Mr. Hinckley operated the family business, Band Box Cleaners, for several years prior to becoming a photographer for the Brunswick Record and later the Times Record. Mr. and Mrs. Hinckley also operated Hinckley Photo, a photography business specializing in weddings, anniversaries and other occasions. He also shot news and sports footage for WGAN-TV. Mr. Hinckley was the recipient of numerous awards and recognition by the Maine Professional Photographer's Association and was active in his community and as a member of several professional and service organizations. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 769)

Dawn Degenhardt, of Houlton, recipient of a 1997 National Jefferson Award for her outstanding community and public service. Mrs. Degenhardt is well-known for her efforts as a lifelong child advocate. She is one of the founding members of the Ronald McDonald House in Bangor and is the creator of the Maine Adoption Placement Service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 770)

the following Houlton High School students who have restored the wooden white crosses which mark the graves of fallen soldiers in the town's cemetery on Smyrna Road in Houlton: project chair Derek Mills, Heidi McCarthy, Becky Berry, Bruce Ellis, Sharon Callnan, Nicki Chapman, Curtis Johnson, Sean Flewelling, Joe King, Daniel Deprez, Marshall Benn and Jason Boyce. We extend our congratulations on the accomplishment of such a beneficial community project; (HLS 771)

Laurel Lyla Cornell, of Bangor, who earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. Ms. Cornell earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with a 4.0 GPA. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 772)

James B. Vickery, of Bangor, a sixth-generation descendent of pioneers who settled eastern Maine, well known for his large collection of antique books, photographs, pamphlets and other memorabilia. Mr. Vickery donated 3,000 books to the University of Maine. He received several awards for his work, including an honorary doctorate of humane letters at the University of Maine in 1993. Mr. Vickery will be missed by his family, friends and the entire Bangor community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 773)

Carolyn A. Fish, of Windham, beloved wife of David W. Fish, a professor of nursing at the University of New England at Westbrook College, an administrative consultant in Home Health and Community Health and a former executive director of Community Health Services Inc. She was the author of and contributor to various professional journals, training manuals and other literature on health issues. Mrs. Fish was a member of numerous professional organizations and served on the boards of several professional health organizations. Mrs. Fish will be sadly missed by family, friends and colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 774)

Clayton and Lois Gay, Jr., of Cherryfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 19, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Gay have 4 children and 6 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 775)

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Richards, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 776)

Melissa Logan, of Westfield, a teacher at Presque Isle High School, on being named Technology Teacher of the Year for 1997. We congratulate her on this achievement and wish her many more happy years of teaching; (HLS 777)

the Moosehead Lake Region Chamber of Commerce for its years of dedicated service as the heartbeat of the Moosehead Lake region. The chamber provides a wealth of information on tourism, accommodations, social and educational activities, local attractions and entertainment. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to the Moosehead Lake Region Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; (HLS 778)

Theodore L. Gagne, who was a longtime educator. Mr. Gagne was born in Waterville, and received degrees from Farmington Normal School and the Maine School of Commerce. He taught at Wiscasset High School and at the Maine School of Commerce. He also worked for Bath Iron Works during World War II and was employed as a teacher and executive secretary at Togus Veteran's Administration from 1945 until his 1972 retirement. He was active in civic affairs in Dresden and was a member of the school board and volunteer fire department. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 779)

Patricia Snow, on her retirement after 32 years of dedicated service as a bookkeeper for the Town of Paris. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 780)

John Joseph Love, of Indian Island, whose tragic death has saddened family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 781)

Stella Mary Trembley, beloved wife of the late Benjamin C. Trembley, a charter member of the V.F.W. Post #3381 Auxiliary, of Old Town, and a member of Holy Family Parish. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 782)

Mr. Oliva Jean, of Montello Manor in Lewiston, on the special occasion of his 100th Birthday, August 8, 1997. Mr Jean was born in Canada and moved to the United States around the year 1900. He was married to the late Leda Laliberte and is the father of Roger, Clemence, Rita, Beatrice, Annabelle, Roland and Lucille. He has 19 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him on the centennial celebration of his birth; (HLS 783)

Chico Hernandez, of Washburn, who has won a total of 7 medals at the Grand National AAU Wrestling Championship in Bakersfield, California, where over 2000 entrants participated from 8 countries. Mr. Hernandez was the only person from Maine attending and he won 3 gold medals, 2 silver medals and 2 4th-place medals. He competed in sombo, a form of Russian judo, as well as greco roman and freestyle classes. He is a 17time National AAU All-American champion. We extend our congratulations to him and our best wishes; (HLS 784)

the Maine Veterans for Peace for their dedicated efforts in calling for a worldwide ban on antipersonnel land mines. We acknowledge their leadership and concern regarding this issue and extend our best wishes for a successful resolution; (HLS 785)

Heather B. Gilmour, of Winthrop, a senior at the University of Southern Maine, on being selected Academic All-American for Field Hockey and was one of 24 student athletes nationally selected for the NCAA Student Advisory Board for Division III; (HLS 786)

Andrew Poole, a life-long resident of Monmouth, who was honored and presented with a medal at the Monmouth Lodge #110 AF&AM on June 30, 1997 for 50 years of membership in the Masonic organization; (HLS 787)

the students from Belgium, Germany and Luxembourg, participating in the "Study US 1997" Program; (HLS 788)

Erwin and Pauline Nickless, of Freedom, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 6, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 789)

Abby Spector, 16, of Waterville, who won the 1997 Women's Maine State Golf Association Championship. This is her second straight Maine amateur title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 790)

the 1997 Brunswick Bambino Baseball 10-year old All Star Team on winning the 1997 State Championship and 1997 District 4 Bambino Championship. The team, coached by Paul Lemont, Kevin LeDuc and Dan Ouellette, is the first youth Brunswick baseball team, in any age group, to reign as state champions. The team members include Seth Bridges, Brandon Crouse, Ben Giroux, Brandon Glidden, Ben Jacobs, Kyle LeDuc, Brian Lemont, Dylan Ouellette, Devin Sheppard, Jason Stankiewicz, Mason Walling, Eli Wilson, Doug Wright and Dustin Zubrod. We extend our congratulations to the members and the coaches on a great season and a job well done; (HLS 791)

Michael and Avis Ilchak, of Kittery, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 9, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 792)

Janice Pratt, of Kittery, who is a student at Traip Academy, for being selected to play outfield with the Portsmouth Herald All

Seacoast Softball Team, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 793)

Karen Tuttle, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, for being selected 1997 Player of the Year with the Portsmouth Herald All Sea Coast Softball Team, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 794)

Norma and Frederic Andrews, of Kittery, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 4, 1997, and extending our congratulations and warmest wishes; (HLS 795)

Edgar Morales, Administrative Officer of the United States Marshals Service, District of Maine, who has been promoted to the position of Administrative Officer for the United States Marshals Service, Western District of Texas, in San Antonio. Mr. Morales retired from the United States Army as a Master Sergeant in the Green Berets and has served the United States Marshals Service in the District of Maine with the highest distinction since 1986. He has also served as the Assistant Chief of Police and the Chief of Police for the Town of Litchfield, Maine. We acknowledge his dedicated service and extend our congratulations to him on his well-deserved promotion and our best wishes to him and his family; (HLS 796)

Kevin Todd, of Boy Scout Troop #453 in Belgrade, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 797)

Janet H. and William P. Randel, of Waterboro, who were married for 65 years. Mr. Randel was a professor of English who lectured around the world and taught at numerous universities in the United States as well as in foreign countries. He was the author of many articles and several books and was a member of the Waterboro Historical Society. Mrs. Randel was a librarian at the University of Maine at Orono and also travelled with her husband while he carried out research for the completion of his books. She was an active member of the PEO, the Waterboro Historical Society, the New Century Club and the Alpha Phi Sorority. Mr. and Mrs. Randel were beloved parents and will be fondly remembered by their family and friends as gentle, kind and compassionate; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 798)

Idolande M. Bernier, a 45-year resident of Caswell, and a communicant of St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Hamlin. Mrs. Bernier, a beloved wife, mother, sister and grandmother, will be missed by her community, family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 801)

Rebecca Kelso, of Kittery, who is a student at Traip Academy and a member of the 1997 All Conference Class C Girls Track Team. She won the Class C Regional Discus Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 802)

Alyssa Caldwell, of Kittery, who is a student at Traip Academy and a member of the 1997 All Conference Class C Girls Track Team. She is the Class C Regional and State Javelin Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 803)

Senior Chief Petty Officer Bruce C. Hutchings, of Kittery, on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Navy. Senior Chief Hutchings served 28 years in the United States Navy and Naval Reserve. During his naval career, Senior Chief Hutchings received numerous citations including several Letters of Commendation, Letters of Appreciation and Superior Performance Awards. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him in his future endeavors; (HLS 804)

Dr. Mary Kate Davitt, of Bangor, a highly respected member of the Eastern Maine Medical Center's neonatal transport unit since 1991 and one of the first neonatologists in the country to become board certified. Her enthusiasm and positive attitude helped the center overcome obstacles to save countless lives of critically ill children. She was a beloved wife and mother and will be fondly remembered by her family, friends and colleagues as a gentle, kind and compassionate woman; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 805)

Matthew Foster, of Minot, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 806)

James L. Markos, Sr., General Manager of Maine Shellfish Company, Inc. for more than 50 years where he was a highly regarded expert in the shellfish business and was instrumental in advancing that industry in Maine. Mr. Markos was the 1992 recipient of the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce Top Drawer Award, given to a business, individual or organization for making a substantial contribution to the growth, development or improvement of the person's community, county or state; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 807)

Hollye Beckett, of Calais, recipient of the Girl Scout Gold Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving the highest award in senior girl scouting; (HLS 808)

the members of the Falmouth High School Boys Tennis Team for placing first in the 1997 Western Maine Class C Tennis Championship and the 1997 State Class C Tennis Championship. We congratulate the team on their accomplishment and for their hard work and dedication; (HLS 809)

Rev. Bernand Nicknair, a dedicated priest of the Diocese of Portland, who has served 43 years in parishes located in towns and cities throughout the State from Biddeford to St. Francis, his most recent service being in North Caribou and Stockholm. We congratulate Father Nicknair on his long and successful career in service to the Catholics of the State of Maine and wish him a healthy and happy retirement; (HLS 810)

Rachel D. Levasseur, of Van Buren, beloved wife of Bertrand F. Levasseur and a longtime employee of the Farmers Home Administration. Mrs. Levasseur was very active in community and church affairs, having been a member of the St. Bruno Parish Council, the Evangeline Circle, Daughters of Isabella and a former member of the Ladies of St. Anne. She was a member of the Van Buren Zoning Board and the Urban Development Committee and had been a member of the Board of Directors of SAD #24, the Van Buren Charter commission, and the Business and Professional Women's Club. She also had worked as a volunteer ballot clerk on election day. Mrs. Levasseur will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 811)

Lorayne M. McAfee, of Connor and Caribou, beloved wife of the late Robert McAfee Sr. and a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the Ladies of St. Anne and the Cursillo. She was a former member of the Ladies of St. Anne at Holy Rosary. Mrs. McAfee will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 812)

Elizabeth Ann Earl, of Spruce Head, who was crowned the Maine Lobster Festival Sea Goddess for 1997. We extend our congratulations and offer our best wishes during her reign as the Sea Goddess; (HLS 813)

Sarah Hilchey, of St. George, upon the completion of her reign as the Maine Sea Goddess, 1996-1997, and in expressing our appreciation for her consistent cheerfulness, natural charm and sincere friendliness with which she represented the citizens of Maine. We are grateful and proud and wish her continued success; (HLS 814)
Graghen King, a member of Boy Scout Troop #156 in Houlton, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 815)

Daniel R. London, a member of Boy Scout Troop #156 in Houlton, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 816)

Jennifer Peers, of Easton, who has been selected as the 1997-1998 Maine Potato Blossom Queen representing the greater Mars Hill area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 817)

Colonel Alfred R. Skolfield, Jr., of Corinth, on the occasion of his retirement as Maine's Commissioner of Public Safety and Chief of the Maine State Police on August 1, 1997. Colonel Skolfield, a 25-year state police veteran, was named Chief of the Maine State Police in 1993 and Commissioner of Public Safety the following year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 818)

Gregory P. Williams, of Boy Scout Troop #622 in Manchester, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 819)

the following members of the 1997 Odyssey of the Mind Team of Lincoln Middle School in Portland, who won the regional tournament in Maine and advanced to the World Finals in Baltimore, Maryland where they placed 6th out of 62 teams: Erin Beirne, Liv Carlson, Erica Greenberg, Megan Nelson, Mark Howinson, Sam Klugman and Sam Koenigsberg. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 820)

Jonathan Long, of Boy Scout Troop #15 in Brewer, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 821)

Rhea Cote Robbins, of Waterville and Brewer, author of a memoir of her youth in a Franco-American community in Maine, who was selected as the winner of the Maine Chapbook Award for Creative Nonfiction. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on receiving this award; (HLS 822)

the Human Rights Campaign, on the occasion of the passage of L.D. #1116, "An Act to Prevent Discrimination," on May 16, 1997, and in acknowledging the dedicated efforts of all the citizens throughout the State and nation who worked so tirelessly and diligently for the passage of this legislation since its introduction to the Maine State Legislature more than two decades ago by Gerald E. Talbot. The passage of this measure is truly a continuation of the ideals and principles that are held dearly by the citizens of the United States of America; (HLS 823)

Amber Crabtree, Girls Field Hockey Coach at Massabesic High School in Waterboro, who has been named Maine's 1997 Field Hockey Coach of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 824)

the Riverside Study Club, of Vassalboro, as they celebrate the 50th Anniversary of its organization on September 16, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to the members of the Riverside Study Club on this special occasion; (HLS 825)

John "Jack" Hannigan, on receiving the first Legionnaire of the Year Award; (HLS 826)

Louise MacDonald, of Eliot, on the very special occasion of her 95th Birthday, May 25, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 827)

the newest Maine chapter of the Am-Vets, in Ashland. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the 13 charter members of the new chapter, which gives all American veterans the opportunity to assemble as one organization; (HLS 828) Adam J. Cogswell, of Boy Scout Troop #302 in Glenburn, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to him; (HLS 829)

Representative Sumner "Bud" Jones and Barbara Jones, of Pittsfield, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 830)

Starlight Rebekah Lodge #82 I.O.O.F., of Fort Fairfield, on the special occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Lodge's incorporation, September 20, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 831)

Roland A. Ouellette, of Jay, on the dedication of the Jay High School baseball field in his honor. Mr. Ouellette has coached sports at many levels and he is also one of the founders of the Area Youth Sports Organization, which offers athletic programs throughout the year for the children of the towns of Jay, Livermore, Livermore Falls and Fayette. For the past 50 years, he has spent thousands of hours preparing ball fields, fund raising, scorekeeping and helping youth programs in any way he could. Paralysis from a World War II injury has required Mr. Ouellette to accomplish his goals from a wheelchair. We acknowledge his outstanding service to the youth of his community and we extend our congratulations to him on the naming of the baseball field in his honor; (HLS 832)

the Jay High School Future Community Leaders of America who won 2 gold, one silver and one bronze medal for their presentations at the National Leadership Conference in San Diego, California. The members include: Ortencia Arellano, Jessica Roy, April Irish, Christa Welch, Jessica Morin, Joanne Roy, Keith Bouchard, Erika DeMillo and Chrystal Thorne, and their FLCA leader Linda Tukey. We extend our congratulations to the students and offer our best wishes on future endeavors; (HLS 833)

Ernest C. Chassé, beloved spouse of Geraldine Pelletier Chasse, owner of St. John Valley Farms where he raised potatoes from 1943 to 1976 and owner of Chasse Gravel Service for 30 years. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Madawaska for 25 years and a member of the board of directors of the St. John Valley Security Home, the Elderly Home Apartments, the St. David Parish Council and the St. David Cemetery Association. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and was well-known for his numerous donations of land for humanitarian, religious and historical purposes; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 834)

the 75th Anniversary of the Skowhegan Rotary Club, which was chartered August 2, 1922, and in extending our appreciation to the members of the club for their outstanding service to the community; (HLS 835)

Kempton and Roberta Tobey, of China, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 8, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 836)

the Augusta National Guard Babe Ruth Baseball All-Star Team, who won 4th place in the Nation in the 1997 Babe Ruth World Series in Longview, Washington. The team was undefeated in tournament play, winning regional, state and district championships in 11 consecutive wins to reach the World Series. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to the following on this achievement: Team Members Eric Blais, Scott Brawn, Sean Brawn, Kevin Brunelle, Lance Brunelle, Michael Caggiano, Jake Castonguay, Eric Cummings, Jared Cushman, Bobby Lee Lippert, Nathan Miller, Brandon Royce, John Whitman, Jr., Jacob Wildes and Justin Wing; Manager Bob Lippert; Coaches Steve Brawn and Kevin Golden and League President Albert Cloutier; (HLS 837)

the following members of the Traip Academy Class C 400 Meter Track Relay Team for placing first in its region and first in the Class C State Competition: Lauren Millett, Rebecca Flohr, Alisha Burnett and Katherine Flohr. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (HLS 838)

the following members of the All Conference Class C Girls Track Team from Traip Academy: Rebecca Flohr, Janelle Proctor and Alicia Estes. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (HLS 839)

Leslie and Marion Banks, of Kittery, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 24, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 840)

Chester Johnson and his sons, Kenneth Johnson and Richard Johnson, owners of Johnson Farms in Kittery, for being named the 1997 Dairy Family Farm of the Year. The Johnson Farm was selected by the New England Green Pastures Committee from over 600 nominees arranged by the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on this occasion; (HLS 841)

Fred and Phyllis Albin, of Kittery, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 28, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 842)

John Blunda, of Gorham, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 843)

Jeffrey Verrill, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 844)

David Towle, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 845)

William Milasauskis, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 846)

David Melton, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 847)

Joseph Blunda, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 848)

Kathy Morse, who won the Miss Maine U.S.A. Pageant. We extend our congratulations to her and wish her best of luck in the Miss U.S.A. Pageant; (HLS 849)

the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9459, in Lisbon, on the occasion of its 20th anniversary. Since the establishment of its charter on February 20, 1977, the auxiliary has rendered dedicated service to the present and past Post members and to the community of Lisbon; (HLS 850)

Norris H. and Birdena Kenney Padham, of Madison, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 12, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Padham are the parents of Jane Ouderkirk and Ellen Levay and have 3 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 851)

Madeline Jennings, on the occasion of her 95th Birthday, September 19, 1997. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to her on this special occasion; (HLS 852)

the United Baptist Church, of East Corinth, which was established in 1822, on the occasion of its 175th Anniversary of Ministry in the East Corinth area on September 28, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 853)

Galen Cole, of Bangor, for his role in locating the World War II Veterans Memorial on the Cole Land Transportation Museum property in Bangor. We acknowledge his dedication and patriotic commitment to Bangor, the State and the Nation on behalf of World War II veterans and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 854)

Alexina Campeau Lapointe, of Augusta, on the very special occasion of her 100th Birthday, September 22, 1997. Mrs. Lapointe, known as Elsie, is the daughter of Georges and Anna Beaudoin Campeau and was the wife of the late Wilfrid Lapointe. She was married in 1913 and had 13 children, 40 grandchildren, 67 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren and 2 on the way. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her on this centennial celebration; (HLS 855)

Constance (Plante) and Florien Roy, of Waterville, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 27, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Roy have 4 children: Isabel Raber, Sister Christine (Diane Roy), Janine Pierpont and Michelle Roy. They have 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 856)

Maynard Brackett, of Poland, on the special occasion of his 80th birthday, October 13, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 857)

Ryan Cooper, of Boy Scout Troop #195, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 858)

George Gagnon, of Millinocket, who has been named the National Sergeant at Arms for the American Legion. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 859)

the Larson Family, of Brownville, for being named Farm Family of the Year for 1997 by the Piscataquis Valley Fair Association. We congratulate Arthur and Arlene Larson and their family on this special occasion; (HLS 860)

Cindy Turner, for her volunteer work for the Town of Monson in preparation for the E-911 emergency response system. She has donated an estimated 1,000 hours of her time by walking and measuring every street and road in Monson. We acknowledge her dedication and service to the town and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 861)

Jeff Starbird, of Guilford, who has been named as the 1997 Volunteer of the Year by the Piscataquis Regional YMCA for his work as a martial arts instructor. We acknowledge his dedicated service and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 862)

State Police Trooper Tim Marks, of Pittston, for his quick response and bravery during off-duty hours when he went to the aid of a neighbor who was being threatened by a man wielding a knife; (HLS 863)

Matthew D. Stauffer, of Pittston, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 864)

Allen Strickland, a longtime volunteer specializing in the care of the elderly, who has been named the Old Hallowell Day Citizen of the Year. Mr. Strickland is the social service director of Walters Homes Inc. in Hallowell. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 865)

Roy Crawford, of Monmouth, upon his receiving the prestigious Milken National Educator Award. Mr. Crawford has been the Principal of Monmouth Academy for the past nine years. We congratulate him on his achievement and express our appreciation for his enthusiasm and his outstanding leadership of the Monmouth school community; (HLS 866)

Tim Hooper, of Boy Scout Troop #307 in Kittery, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 867)

the Apple Valley Babe Ruth 13-year-olds, from the towns of Wayne, Readfield, Manchester, Monmouth and Winthrop, who have won the Maine state title and who went on to compete in the New England Regional Babe Ruth 13-year-old Tournament. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to the following on their achievement: team members Matt Howard, Tipper Fairchild, Robert Cloutier, Seth Emery, Andy Kenny, Brian Cook, Brian Allen, Steve Paleschi, Ben Muniz, Jared Lemieux, Joshua Stroup and Fred Hasenfus; and Coaches Peter Emery and Bill Fairchild; (HLS 868)

Edward I. Heath, on the occasion of his retirement as the Town Manager of Winthrop. His lifetime of dedicated public service as a town manager, city planner and planning director and as a successful Maine businessman is appreciated by the citizens of the Winthrop community and by many other communities throughout the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 869)

Mark Kramer and Shawn Burton, members of the All Conference Class C All Star Baseball Team from Traip Academy in Kittery. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 870)

Norman and Lorraine Duplessie, of North Vassalboro, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 11, 1997. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to them; (HLS 871)

Darrell and Beverly Morrow, of Millinocket, on the honored occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our best wishes and congratulations; (HLS 872)

Jesse B. Burns, of Franklin, a member of Boy Scout Troop #81, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 873)

Kristopher E. Bouchard, a member of Boy Scout Troop #190 in Madawaska, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 874)

Jonas Sleeper, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to him; (HLS 875)

Matthew Nelson Jones for his heroic efforts in attempting to save the life of drowning victim John Joseph Love, of Indian Island; (HLS 876)

Suzanne Olson, recipient of the prestigious Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. She has been an administrator at the Hall-Dale Middle School for the past 5 years. We congratulate her on this achievement and express our appreciation for her enthusiasm and her devotion to the education of our youth; (HLS 877)

Roland and Myrtle Aube, of Westbrook, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 878)

Robert L. and Evelyn Clay Cassette, Sr., of Saco, on the occasion of their 40th Wedding Anniversary, September 14, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Cassette, Sr.; (HLS 879)

Eugene A. and Aline C. Roy Breton, of Saco, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 6, 1997. We

extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Breton; (HLS 880)

John and Mary Libby Blunt, of Saco, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 9, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Blunt; (HLS 881)

Irenee Patenaude, of Augusta, who has been honored with the Medaille d'Honneur by Le Club Calumet. He has been a member for 50 years and has been very active in community service all his life. Mr. Patenaude has served as a trustee of the Augusta Savings Bank, has been a home appraiser for the Augusta Savings Bank, was a founding member of the Augusta Housing Authority, as well as being a member of numerous social and civic organizations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 882)

Andrea Millett, of Ashland, who has attained the highest honor in Cadette Girl Scouts, the Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 883)

Leslie Ann Bessey, of Ashland, who has attained the highest honor in Cadette Girl Scouts, the Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 884)

Blake Eldridge, of Winthrop, who has won the age 13 and under division at the Wendy's Maine Open Junior Golf Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievement; (HLS 885)

Clyde Moody II, an 8th-grade student at Winthrop Middle School, who has won the Gold Medal in the high jump at the USA Track and Field Junior Olympics in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, topping 30 competitors in the 13-14-year-old age group from around the nation. He finished 3rd in the triple jump and placed 14th in the 100-meter dash at the event. Clyde also holds 5 school records at Winthrop Middle School. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him on his achievements; (HLS 886)

the Mapleton Lions Club, on the special occasion of the 40th Anniversary of their Charter Night, October 28, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 887)

Frank and Marian Lockhart, of China, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart and wish them many more happy years together; (HLS 888)

Brian Higgins, whose efforts were instrumental in the creation of the Chamberlain Freedom Park, which has given the City of Brewer national recognition for its efforts in the Civil War and the battle to free the slaves; (HLS 889)

Joan Sandige and Joanne Mercier, on the occasion of their retirement as co-directors of the Ladd Center in Wayne for the past 16 years. Their dedication and commitment to the center in providing creative and educational activities for children and the love and respect shown to all who have participated in the center's programs is greatly appreciated by the citizens of the State; (HLS 890)

Albert "Pete" Gagne, of Belgrade, a well-known, well-liked and generous businessman in the Augusta area. Mr. Gagne owned Gagne & Son Concrete Blocks, Inc., Gagne Fuel Oil Company and Gagne Precast Concrete Products and was proprietor of Riverview Apartments. Mr. Gagne contributed equipment or materials for area baseball fields and playgrounds, was a major contributor to Le Club Calumet's "Le Festival de la Bastille" and for many years worked with St. Augustine's Youth Ministry to bring the Christmas Float to Nursing Homes in Kennebec County. Mr. Gagne is survived by his wife, Joyce; 2 sons, Fred and Peter; and 3 daughters, Linda, Theresa and Lisa. Mr. Gagne will be missed by his family, friends and the entire community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 891)

Claude Cyr, beloved husband of Romella Albert Cyr, owner of Northland Accounting Service and a distinguished citizen of the Town of Madawaska. Mr. Cyr, affectionately known as "Blackie" to family and friends, will be remembered for his sound leadership and active participation in town, fraternal, historical and service organizations and for his passion for the preservation of the Acadian Heritage; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 892)

Christopher Willey, of Boy Scout Troop #83 in Westbrook, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 893)

Fred and Pat Salem, of Millinocket, on the special occasion of their 62nd Wedding Anniversary, September 29, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 894)

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Jandreau, of Millinocket, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 26, 1997. Their 6 children witnessed the renewal of their vows and the blessing of their rings at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 895)

Constance (Plante) and Florien Roy, of Waterville, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 27, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Roy have 4 children: Isabel Raber, Sister Christine (Diane Roy), Janine Pierpont and Michelle Roy. They have 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 896)

Ansel and Evelyn Hanson, of Hollis, on the special occasion of their 65th Wedding Anniversary, August 2, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 897)

Florence and Byron Dodge, of Hollis, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 19, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them; (HLS 898)

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bradbury, of Hollis, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 1, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 899)

Joseph Ernest and Therese Gagnon Cyr, of Lyman, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 16, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 900)

Alexander Jensen, of Lyman, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 901)

Earl and Avis Richardson, of Greenville, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 13, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Richardson; (HLS 902)

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dauphinee, of North Guilford, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 27, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Dauphinee have 3 sons: Daniel, Tim and Jeffrey. They have 8 grandchildren and one great-grandson. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 903)

Coaches Tom Cieslinski and Lynn Cayford and the following members of the Hall-Dale Golf Team: Aaron Mattson, James Graham, Jake Doiron, Mike Moody and Anthony Massey, winners of the 1997 State Class C Golf Championship; (HLS 904)

William A. Reichert, of Boy Scout Troop #340 in Eliot, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 905)

the members of the Brownfield Historical Society for their services and most importantly for their work in preparing the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the fire of 1947. The anniversary helped to preserve and affirm the memories and the courage with which the citizens of the Town of Brownfield dealt with the devastating fire and the rebuilding of their beloved town; (HLS 906)

Elise Robichaud, of Fort Kent and St. Basile, who passed away on October 21, 1997. Mrs. Robichaud was born in Baker Brook, New Brunswick, Canada, January 25, 1894 and was married to Liguori Robichaud. She was the beloved mother to 8 children and had 36 grandchildren, 58 great grandchildren and 3 great-great grandchildren. Mrs. Robichaud will be sadly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 907)

Michelle Muffler, of Ashland, who has attained the highest honor in Cadette Girl Scouts, the Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 908)

Melissa Muffler, of Ashland, who has attained the highest honor in Cadette Girl Scouts, the Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 909)

Harley Dunlap, on the occasion of his retirement after 14 years as Chief of Police of the Madison Police Department. He has spent 27 years in law enforcement, with 17 of those years in Madison. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his Town and State, and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 910)

Marion (Berry) and Donald Currier, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 4, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Currier have 2 daughters, Barbara Cary and Dorrie Taylor, and 2 granddaughters, Melissa Cary and Mariza Taylor. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 911)

the Creative Apparel Plant in Harmony, its manager, David Carr, and its employees for helping Creative Apparel be named as the 1997 Merchant of the Year by the Maine Merchants Association, Inc.; (HLS 912)

The Kennebec County Soil and Water Conservation District on the occasion of its 50th anniversary. The district was established by the Maine State Legislature in 1947, and since that time it has worked cooperatively with landowners throughout Kennebec County to further the goals of conserving, improving and sustaining our soil, water and other natural resources. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Kennebec County Soil and Water Conservation District; (HLS 913)

the following members of the Sumner Memorial High School Boys Cross-country Team, of East Sullivan, who have won the 1997 Class C State Championship: Matt Fisher, Teddy Pietz, Justin Ossolinski, Mike Falabella, Mike Hardy, Brendan O'Keefe, Ben Nauman, Derik Thomann, Wes Hopper, Matt Falabella and their Coach Matt Umphrey and Assistant Coach Andrea Pelletier. This is the 2nd year in a row that this school has won the Class C State Championship and we extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 914)

Peryl Cromie, of Greenville, on the occasion of her 95th Birthday. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to her on this special occasion; (HLS 915) Dorothy "Dot" Bartlett, of Greenville, on the occasion of her 95th Birthday. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to her on this special occasion; (HLS 916)

Keith McClelland, S.A.D. #71's "Music Man," on the occasion of his retirement. Mr. McClelland has brought the joys of music to the youngsters of the Kennebunks for 25 years; (HLS 917)

Chantal Gagnon, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 918)

Samantha Jo Cousins, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 919)

Abbie Stitham, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 920)

April Clockedile, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 921)

Ashley Clockedile, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 922)

Ashley Gallop, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 923)

Mindy Rideout, of Mars Hill, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 924)

Millicent M. MacFarland, Assistant Clerk of the Maine House of Representatives, who has been recognized by the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries for her hard work and dedication to the Maine House of Representatives, the ASLCS and the National Conference of State Legislatures. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 925)

George L. French, of Washburn, a decorated veteran of the U.S. Army, who received the Republic Gallantry Cross with Palm Unit, the Vietnam Campaign Medal with silver star, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, a Purple Heart, the Meritorious Unit Emblem, the Combat Infantry Badge and the Drill Sgt. Badge. Mr. French was an avid Harley rider. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 926)

the following members of the Elan Cross-country Team on their victory in the 1997 Boys Class D State Championship: Tricaptain Matthew Erwin, Tri-captain Fred Konofasek, Tri-captain Colin Barclay; Sean Sullivan, Patrick Lewis, Travis Therrien, Nick White, Luke Anderson, Jake Plattenberger, Jinie Macrina, Ian Balinsky, Chris Wright, Mike Gagnier, Ross Chumley, Allen Gould, Chris Redman, Peter Maybarduk, Dale Martin and Matt Pattelli; and their head coach Peter Rowe and assistant coach Kirk Lemieux. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 927)

the members of the Jay Fireman's Auxiliary for their years of dedicated service to their community and in extending our congratulations to the organization's 50th anniversary on November 22, 1997; (HLS 928)

the members of the Jay Fire Department for their years of dedicated service to their community and in extending congratulations to the department on the occasion of its 70th anniversary on November 22, 1997; (HLS 929)

Betty Taylor, of East Vassalboro, on the special occasion of her retirement after years of dedicated service to the Vassalboro Town Library, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 930)

Romeo and Shirley Rossignol, of Vassalboro, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 18, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 931)

Simone Palmer, of Waterboro, for her outstanding service and commitment to the economic growth in her community. Ms. Palmer, a licensed physical therapist and owner of Massabesic Health Resources, was recognized by Governor Angus S. King, Jr., for the Plus One Program for her achievement in expanding the number of employees at the health center from 1 to 9 during the past 10 years. Massabesic Health Resources will celebrate its 10th anniversary on October 25, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 932)

Leonard F. Smith, of Eddington, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of service to the City of Bangor as a plumbing and building inspector. Mr. Smith is well respected in his community due to his commitment to professional excellence and his friendliness and helpfulness. His dedication and hard work in serving the needs of the citizens of Bangor will be missed. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 933)

Bernard McCormick, of Limestone, on the special occasion of his 90th Birthday, November 26, 1997. Mr. McCormick, a dedicated family man, is a former selectman and businessman. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him; (HLS 934)

the Madawaska High School Girls Soccer Team, upon winning the 1997 Class C State Championship, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 935)

Karl and Eva M. Hall on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 936)

Coach Glendon Rand and the members of the Brewer High School Girls Cross-country Team on their victory in the Class A State Cross-country Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 937)

Vaughn Martin, a teacher at Easton Elementary School, who has been named as a Science Teacher of the Year for 1997 by the National Science Foundation. Mr. Martin is currently being considered for the same honor at the national level. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 938)

the following members of the Bonny Eagle High School Field Hockey Team on their victory in the 1997 Class A State Championship: Melissa Olds, Mycona Kallechey, Loren Bowley, Hannah Larrabee, Brooke Blais, Jen Ferris, Laura Pfeiffenberger, Bailey Tighe, Mandy Lewis, Tracy Roy, Elaine McCarthy, Kristin Martin, Angela Butler, Erin Semons, Beth McCallum, Sarah McCallum, Darcy Pinkham, Janel Sullivan, Kim Purington, Kaitlin Metlvler, Dawn Sinko, Angela King, Katie Young, Danielle Cloutier, head coach Faith Littlefield and assistant coaches Flossie Smith and Karen Compton. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 939)

Ray E. Chelewski, of Presque Isle, upon receiving the National Agriscience Teacher of the Year Award given by the Future Farmers of America for his work on developing an aquaculture farm program for the students at Presque Isle Regional Technology Center. We congratulate him on this accomplishment and extend our appreciation for his dedication to the students at Presque Isle Regional Technology Center; (HLS 940)

Tom York, of Presque Isle, who won a Silver Medal in Forestry at the National Future Farmers of America Convention. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 941)

Noah Winslow, of Presque Isle, who won a Silver Medal in Forestry at the National Future Farmers of America Convention. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 942)

Kristy Soucier, of Presque Isle, who won a Bronze Medal in Forestry at the National Future Farmers of America Convention. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 943)

Julie Gunderman, of Presque Isle, who won a Bronze Medal in Prepared Public Speaking at the National Future Farmers of America Convention. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 944)

Harold "Mickey" Marden, of Albion, who has been selected as the 1997 Entrepreneur of the Year by the Finance Authority of Maine. Mickey Marden is the founder and owner of Marden's Discount Stores. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success; (HLS 945)

Michael Finneran, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Western Maine Class C All Star Boys Soccer Second Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 946)

Nicole Clausnitzer, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Western Maine Class C All Star Girls Soccer First Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 947)

lan Richards, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Western Maine Class C All Star Crosscountry Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 948)

Lauren Millett, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Western Maine Class C All Star Girls Field Hockey Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 949)

Kristin Gentile, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Western Maine Class C All Star Girls Field Hockey Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 950)

Shawn Burton, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Campbell All Conference All Star Football Team as a linebacker. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 951)

Florine LaPoint, Head Nurse at SAD #71 and a resident of Kennebunk, who was named School Nurse of the Year by the Maine Association of School Nurses. We extend our congratulations to her on this occasion; (HLS 952)

Edith and I. Robert Quinn, of Deer Isle, in honor of their 50 years of postal and passenger service to Bear Island, Eagle Island, Great Spruce Head Island, Barred Island, Scrag Island and Butter Island. We acknowledge their dedicated commitment to these communities and their enthusiasm for their work is greatly appreciated by the people they have served; (HLS 953)

the Forest Hills High School Varsity Girls Cross-country Team upon winning the 1997 Class D State Cross-country Championship. Members of the team include Stephanie Van Camp, Jessica Brady, Roxanne Paradise, Lindsey Keiper, Allison Brown, Jennifer Conrad, Crystal Levesque and Jaime Keiper; managers Bobby Brown and Jason Stowle; and Coach Allison Coro. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this accomplishment; (HLS 954)

Mark Andrew McQuarrie, 17, of Madawaska, beloved son of David and Linda (Beaulieu) McQuarrie. He was a senior at Madawaska High School and was scheduled to enter active duty in the United States Marine Corps in August, 1998. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 955)

Foster M. Pratt, machinist, accountant, volunteer fireman, saxophone player, former county commissioner and county treasurer, and longtime treasurer and member of the Bath Area Senior Citizens, who spearheaded the fund-raising for the Senior Center and who is known as Mr. Senior Citizen of the Bath Area; (HLS 956)

the following team members, managers and coaches of the Mattanawcook Academy Girls Cross-country Team, of Lincoln, who were the 1997 State Class D Champions: Jana Crocker, Briana Haynes, Mary Lebrun, Laura Emerson, Cassandra Haynes, Corrie Pietras, Annie Whittier, Jana Hatch, Alicia Jameson and Chrystal Smart; Managers Kendra Rideout, Tisha Page and Darci Towle; and Coach John Norris and Assistant Coaches Bernie Stockley and Alan Stockley. (HLS 957)

Beverly (Flanagin) and Richard Dyer, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 9, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Dyer have 3 sons, R. Scott, Dennis and David, 5 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to them on this special occasion; (HLS 958)

Caitlin Malloy, a junior at Madison Area Memorial High School, who was named the 1997 Class C State Cross-country Champion. Caitlin also won the Western Class C Championship and the Mountain Valley Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on these accomplishments; (HLS 959)

Brady Scott, a senior at Madison Area Memorial High School, who was named the 1997 Class C State Cross-country Champion. Brady also won the Western Class C Championship and the Mountain Valley Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on these accomplishments; (HLS 960)

Heather Babineau, of Girl Scout Troop #234, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold award in recognition of her leadership skills and her commitment to Girl Scouting. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment; (HLS 961)

Michael Aldrete, who has earned the distinction of being named the Second Honor Essayist of the 1997 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy; (HLS 962)

the following engineering students of Mattanawcook Academy, of Lincoln, on taking first place in the National Engineering Design Challenge held at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.: Kevin Dufresne, John Sutherland, Edward Kirkpatrick, Amy Wilson, Candace Sabol, Andrew Emerson, Joshua Jipson, Josh Pietras, Natalie Chouinard, Allan Trott, Kevin Smith, Josh Dupuis and engineer Bradford Kites and coaches Mary Wilbur and Keith Strange. The team has captured the state title 3 times out of the last 4 years; this is its first national title. The students designed a gym that will allow almost anyone to exercise, whether the user is sitting in a chair, standing or lying down. The gym is adaptable for paraplegics; (HLS 963)

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Plummer, of Brewer, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. They are the parents of 4 children, 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. We wish them continued health and happiness; (HLS 964)

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Briggs, of Brewer, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They are the parents of 4 children and grandparents of 7 grandchildren. We wish them continued health and happiness; (HLS 965)

John and LaVerne Ennis, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to them on this special occasion; (HLS 966)

Gilbert and Theresa Cyr, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our warmest wishes and congratulations to them on this special occasion; (HLS 967)

Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Elliott, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 968)

John and Gerry McCleary, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 12, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 969)

Walter G. Sellers, President of Kiwanis International, on the occasion of his special visit for the 80th Anniversary celebration of the Portland Kiwanis Club, January 8, 1998. Mr. Sellers, a 31year member and past president of the Kiwanis Club of Xenia, Ohio, was elected president of Kiwanis International at the 82nd International Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, in June, 1997. We warmly welcome him to Portland and to the State of Maine and extend our very best wishes to him; (HLS 970)

James A. Banks, New England Governor of Kiwanis, on the occasion of his special visit for the 80th Anniversary celebration of the Portland Kiwanis Club, January 8, 1998. We warmly welcome him to Portland and to the State of Maine and extend our very best wishes to him; (HLS 971)

Dr. Charles M. Sullivan, beloved husband of former state representative Mary Sullivan, who served his community as a city councilor, mayor and member of the Bangor School Committee. He served as academic dean, academic vice-president and chair of the Business Department at Husson College until he returned to full-time teaching as a professor of Business Management. He was a recipient of the Boston College Alumni Association Outstanding Public Service Award and was named the 1988 Teacher of the Year by the students at Husson College. Dr. Sullivan was a founder and director of the Irish-American Heritage Society and was active in the Kiwanis organization. He was a member of St. Mary's Parish where he served as a eucharistic minister. He will be remembered for his sense of humor and his willingness to help others; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 972)

Hannah Larrabee, of Hollis, a student at Bonny Eagle High School, who has been named to the 1997 Maine Sunday Telegram All-State Field Hockey Team. We congratulate her on her hard work and her commitment to the sport and to her teammates. We extend our best wishes to her on her future endeavors; (HLS 973)

Timothy Driscoll, a member of the Lyman and Dayton Boy Scout Troop #399, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 974)

the following members of the All Conference Class C All Star Softball Team from Traip Academy in Kittery: Erica Davis, Melissa Hill, Karen Tuttle and Janice Pratt. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 975)

Jim and Doris McBreairty on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, April 30, 1997. We congratulate them and wish them many more happy years; (HLS 976)

Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. Maine Mutual Fire Insurance Company provides insurance to the people of Maine, Vermont and New Hampshire. We wish them the best of luck and continued success in the next 100 years; (HLS 977)

the Scarborough Schools Math Team for placing among the top 5 in the Maine Math Competition, with the 5th grade members finishing first. Team members include: Jessica Piccolo, Parker Hoy, Matt Buttarzaai, Paul Hammond, Noel Knight, William Orr, Amanda Vickerson, Yudy Weinstein, Sean Flaherty, Pat McConnell, Sam LaCasse, Kate McConnell, Dustin Adams, John Hilton, Nick Padavano, Rob Paul, Phil Sirichney, Jeff Vautin, Greg Shaw, Elena Barrantes, Ben Cote, Kit Vreeland, Clota Heazel and Grace Currie; and the team's instructor Jean Kelley. William Orr, Paul Hammond, Noel Knight, Jeff Vautin and Greg Shaw received Gold Medals for being the top scorers in their grade level. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (HLS 978)

the People of Prague and the Republic of Czechoslovakia and in extending our sincere appreciation for the hospitality that they are extending to the students from the State of Maine. We congratulate the students of Maine and Czechoslovakia as they participate in the diverse economic, governmental, cultural, educational and youth exchange experiences in which they will share as a part of this exchange program. We commend all of the students who have participated in the exchange; (HLS 979)

our German Friends and in extending our sincere appreciation for the hospitality that they are extending to the students from the State of Maine. We congratulate the students of Maine and Germany as they participate in the diverse economic, governmental, cultural, educational and youth exchange experiences in which they will share as a part of this exchange program. We commend all of the students who have participated in the exchange; (HLS 980)

Nathan and Mirian Cohen, of Eastport, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 4, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Cohen; (HLS 981)

Therese Drapau, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class of Catherine McCauley High School; (HLS 982)

Delia van Loenen, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class of Catherine McCauley High School; (HLS 983)

Richard "Terry" Ordway, of East Millinocket, on being inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. He was a pitcher for the University of Maine, Orono Campus and was drafted by the New York Yankees minor league system; (HLS 984)

William Armstrong, of Hampden, upon receiving the Gold Congressional Award. Mr. Armstrong, along with 33 other recipients, had to provide community service, demonstrate personal development in various skills, improve his physical fitness and take on a venture experience in order to qualify for the medal. Mr. Armstrong volunteered over 400 hours to community service projects, sharpened his skills in film production, learned karate, ran in the New York City Marathon and traveled to Indonesia for 2 months on a national youth festival. We extend our congratulations on this outstanding achievement; (HLS 985)

Kristoffer M. Tardiff, of Boy Scout Troop #153 in Auburn, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout; (HLS 986)

Rachel Binder, of Presque Isle, who won the 1997 Miss Maine Pageant. Miss Binder will represent Maine in the Miss America Pageant on September 13th in Atlantic City. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 987)

the Moosehead Lake Region Chamber of Commerce for its years of dedicated service as the heartbeat of the Moosehead Lake region. The chamber provides a wealth of information on tourism, accommodations, social and educational activities, local attractions and entertainment. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to the Moosehead Lake Region Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; (HLS 988)

Kenneth B. Edgecomb, a lifelong resident of Limington whose public service to the Town of Limington spanned 56 consecutive years. He served as Tax Collector, Constable, Selectman, Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer and as a member of the school board. Mr. Edgecomb also owned and operated Edgecomb's Hatchery for 40 years. He was a wellknown and well-liked person who will be missed by his family and his entire community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 989)

Robert and Kay Boutaugh, of Millinocket, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 1, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them; (HLS 990)

Clara Hathaway, a lifelong resident of Island Falls, who in her 90th year continues to provide many valuable services to citizens and organizations in her community. We extend our appreciation and our very best wishes to her; (HLS 991)

Bo Kennedy, of the Dover-Foxcroft Boy Scout Troop #100, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 992)

the Falmouth High School Boys Tennis Team, who won the 1997 Class C State Tennis Championship. The Yachtsmen had a 14-0 season going into the tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very significant victory; (HLS 993)

Matthew Foss, of Boy Scout Troop #139 in Minot, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 994)

Colonel Edward H. Mackel, USMC (Ret.), beloved husband of Harriet Goodwin Mackel, a distinguished citizen of the Town of Wells, whose military career in the Marine Corps spanned nearly 3 decades and included a variety of assignments. Colonel Mackel was an involved state and local leader, having served two terms in the State House of Representatives and two terms as a town selectman. He was the chair of the Board of the Wells Sanitary District and a chair of the York Republican Committee. Colonel Mackel served in various capacities in several gubernatorial, congressional and presidential campaigns. He was an avid boater and, along with his daughter, operated a successful Christmas tree farm; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 995)

Bruce Whittier, of Mechanic Falls, a selfless person who risked his own life to help those in need. Mr. Whittier was a significant role model for students and adults alike and set an important example for others to follow. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends and the Poland and Mechanic Falls communities; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 996) the Apple Valley Babe Ruth 13-year-olds, from the towns of Wayne, Readfield, Manchester, Monmouth and Winthrop, who have won the Maine state title and who went on to compete in the New England Regional Babe Ruth 13-year-old Tournament. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to the following on their achievement: team members Matt Howard, Tipper Fairchild, Robert Cloutier, Seth Emery, Andy Kenny, Brian Cook, Brian Allen, Steve Paleschi, Ben Muniz, Jared Lemieux, Joshua Stroup and Fred Hasenfus; and Coaches Peter Emery and Bill Fairchild; (HLS 997)

Linda Johnson, of the York County Coast Star, who has been chosen as the Advertising Person of the Year. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 998)

Aaron Feuerstein, president of the Malden Mills textile factory located on the Lawrence and Methuen line in Massachusetts, a major producer of Polartec, Polarfleece and upholstery fabrics, whose efforts to keep employees on the payroll after the December 1995 fire that destroyed much of the factory deserve the praise of citizens throughout our State and the nation; (HLS 999)

Cleora M. Vasel, of Lisbon, who recently passed away at the age of 99. She was born on May 5, 1898 and was married to James Vasel in 1925. She raised her children alone after the untimely death of her husband in 1929. Mrs. Vasel was known not just for her apple pie and potato salad, but more importantly for her uprightness, principles and integrity. She will be missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1000)

Charles "Sam" Pendleton, upon his soccer teams' having won 300 games during his 30-year career. The students and faculty of Georges Valley High School join with the citizens of Cushing, St. George and Thomaston in congratulating Mr. Pendleton on this achievement. Mr. Pendleton has been an excellent role model for 2 generations of students. His positive influence, like the influence of all great teachers, can not be measured; it can only be appreciated; (HLS 1001)

Saco's Barn Board, which, as a result of its 1997 "Annual Weekend Behind the Barn" fund-raiser, has donated more than \$10,000 to charitable and nonprofit organizations. We applaud the efforts of the Barn Board for this very worthwhile endeavor; (HLS 1002)

Pamela Bowden, of Poland Spring, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Senior Girl Scouting; (HLS 1003)

Joseph Latuscha, of Boy Scout Troop #125 in Poland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 1004)

Dawn C. Stiles, Program Director for the Bureau of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Services, and Maine Caring Families program upon being selected as a finalist for the Council of State Government's 1997 Innovation Awards. This award recognizes creative, effective and resourceful state programs and policies successfully addressing significant challenges and issues. The Maine Caring Families program partners private agencies with State Government to most effectively serve moderate to high needs youth in therapeutic foster care. We extend our congratulations upon this outstanding accomplishment; (HLS 1005)

the coaches and the members of the Falmouth High School Boys Soccer Team on their victory in the 1997 Boys Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this occasion; (HLS 1006) the following team members, coaches and trainer of the Noble High School Football Team in MSAD #60, who have won the 1997 Class A State Football Championship: team members Randy Ouellette, Peter Caplette, Wes St. Pierre, Josh Holt, Kevin Gray, Fred Williams, Mike Desjardins, Milton Fogg, Eli Poore, Mike Hack, Jeremy Baron, Joel French, Jeremy Chandler, Derek Messier, Jason Purington, Brett Kelly, Tag McCormick, Jason Ouellette, Jeff Chandler, Matt Bonnell, Bruce Higgins, Alan French, Dan LePage, Corey Sheckler, John Wingfield, Tom Perreault, Wayne Johnson, Ben Ames, Joe Chenevert, Zack Poore, Chris Gallagher and David Swett; team captains Troy Brown, Larry Hartford, Jon Hall and Bruce Ames; head coach John Suttie; assistant coaches Jason Sullivan, Scott Descoteaux, Paul Bickford and Josh Gould; and trainer Heidi Steltz; (HLS 1007)

Gail M. Chase, on receiving Honorable Mention for outstanding performance on the Certified Internal Auditor examination. The Institute of Internal Auditors recognizes top candidates who distinguish themselves in passing all 4 parts of the examination on their first attempt; (HLS 1008)

Vivian F. Massey, who was the first woman to be elected as an Indian Representative. She was a write-in candidate in 1972. After a recount, she was confirmed the winner by 4 votes; (HLS 1009)

Dawn C. Stiles, Program Director for the Bureau of Child and Family Services of the Department of Human Services, and Maine Caring Families program upon being selected as a finalist for the Council of State Government's 1997 Innovation Awards. This award recognizes creative, effective and resourceful state programs and policies successfully addressing significant challenges and issues. The Maine Caring Families program partners private agencies with State Government to most effectively serve moderate to high needs youth in therapeutic foster care. We extend our congratulations upon this outstanding accomplishment; (HLS 1010)

Jay McCrum, of Mars Hill, who has been named by the Maine Potato Board as the 1997 Farmer of the Year, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to him; (HLS 1011)

Maquel Salley, of Waterville, who was recently named Most Valuable Player of the Patriot League field hockey tournament. She is a sophomore goalkeeper at College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1012)

Gilman "Babe" Madore, of Millinocket, on being named the Volunteer of the Month of November by the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program. In the last 3 years he has volunteered more than 2300 hours. We acknowledge and appreciate his dedicated service to the citizens of Millinocket; ((HLS 1013)

Matthew Mellott, of Boy Scout Troop #15 in Brewer, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1014)

Jean C. Caron, R.N., for her faithful and dedicated service as Executive Director of the Maine State Board of Nursing. Ms. Caron's protection of the public in the area of nursing practice was achieved through vigilance of the Board's role in regulation and in establishing working relationships among professional nursing organizations, always keeping in the forefront the distinction in roles. Her dedication to the Board of Nursing through her leadership as Executive Director is a credit to herself, to the profession of nursing and to the State of Maine; (HLS 1015)

Nicole Clausnitzer, of Kittery, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the 1997 Portsmouth Herald All

Seacoast Soccer Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1016) Elisabeth Pearson, of Kittery Point, a student at Berwick Academy, who has been named as the 1997 Portsmouth Herald Girls Soccer Team Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1017)

Clarence and Greta Spinney, of Bridgton, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary, January 19, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1018)

Shawn Michael Patterson, a member of Boy Scout Troop #35 in Yarmouth, who has received the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1019)

Christopher Thomas Lambert, of Boy Scout Troop #58 in Cumberland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate him on his hard work and dedication to the Boy Scouts, his community and his family; (HLS 1020)

Mary King, owner of Mary's Place in Bridgton, for her tremendous service to her community during the devastating ice storm of 1998. Mary's restaurant remained open 24 hours a day to serve the many power, phone and tree-cutting crews that worked throughout the night. The Legislature extends its congratulations and heartfelt appreciation for the efforts of Mary and her employees during this crisis; (HLS 1021)

Gerald Gerrard O'Rourke, captain, United States Navy (retired), of Wayne, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. O'Rourke graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1944 and served on the USS Hancock during World War II. He was designated a naval aviator in 1947 and served in the Korean Conflict, commanding a night fighter detachment. From 1960 to 1964 he commanded F-4 squadrons. He served 2 tours of duty at the Pentagon. He held a master of arts degree in education from Stanford University. After retiring from the Navy in 1974, he was vice-president of Maritime Associates and later served as a private consultant to the Boeing Corporation;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1022)

Robert Klar, of Hollis, a blacksmith and artist whose work is known throughout New England. Mr. Klar had been a Boy Scout executive in the Boston area and a sales representative for various building supply companies. He started his career as a blacksmith in Maine 20 years ago and found it to be his true calling. Several examples of his works can be found in Southern Maine. Mr. Klar, the beloved husband of Barbara Lovell Klar, will be sadly missed by family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1023)

Marshall James Gerrie, Jr., D.O., beloved husband of Nancy C. Leadbetter Gerrie, a caring and compassionate obstetrician well known for his professional skills. Dr. Gerrie was affiliated with Inland Hospital, where he was an active member of the medical staff and served as chair of the surgery department and the obstetric service. In 1993, he became a member of the hospital's board of trustees. Other professional affiliations included membership on the medical staff of MaineGeneral Medical Center. He served as an active reservist in the U.S. Naval Medical Corp until 1992 and was active in the greater Waterville community, having taken great pleasure in serving as the Rescue Service Medical Director for the Belgrade Volunteer Fire Department;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1024)

Nathan R. Leland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1025)

Ryan Matthew Daniels, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1026)

Al Bancroft, president and owner of Bancroft Contracting in South Paris, and the recipient of the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce 1998 Community Service Award for long-term, outstanding community service to the Oxford Hills area by an individual. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1027)

Ken Swan, the recipient of the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce 1998 Employee of the Year Award for outstanding employee service. This is the first award of its kind given by the Chamber of Commerce. Ken has been associated with Ken and Thom's Flooring for 20 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1028)

Doug Latham, a student at Belfast High School, upon winning the 1997 Maine State Championship for Outdoor Track in the 800 meter category. We congratulate him on this win and wish him the best of luck in the future; (HLS 1029)

Amy Flood, a student at Belfast High School, upon winning the 1997 Maine State Championship for Outdoor Track in the 300 meter hurdles category. We congratulate her on this win and wish her the best of luck in the future; (HLS 1030)

Erin Herbig, a student at Belfast High School, upon winning the 1997 Maine State Championship for Outdoor Track in the 800 meter, 1600 meter and 3200 meter categories. We congratulate her on this win and wish her the best of luck in the future; (HLS 1031)

Dan Woodrow, a student at Belfast High School, upon winning the 1997 Maine State Championship for Outdoor Track in the pole vault category. We congratulate him on this win and wish him the best of luck in the future; (HLS 1032)

C. Wallace Woodworth, of Benton, husband of the late Sylvia E. Wyman Woodworth, a graduate of the University of Maine College of Agriculture and a longtime dairy farmer. Mr. Woodworth was a member of the 97th Maine State Legislature, where he served on the University of Maine Legislative Committee and the Towns and Counties Committee. He was a supervisor of the Kennebec County Soil Conservation District, charter member and director of the Kennebec County Farm Bureau and director of the Maine Farm Bureau and the Maine He was a member of the Extension Breeding Co-op. Association, the chair of the Benton Republican Committee and a charter member of the Kennebec County Men's Republican Club. Mr. Woodworth was also a life member of the Clinton Lions Club;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1033)

Rick Lawrence, who has received a K-12 Educator's Award from the National Consortium for Teaching Canada. Mr. Lawrence is a second-grade teacher at Albion Elementary School and is the first primary school teacher to receive the Canadian studies award, which honors educators from across the country. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1034)

the Ashland Hornets, who won the 1997 Class D Soccer Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes on their achievement; (HLS 1035)

the VFW LeBlanc-Junkins Post #9699 in Ashland, on its Golden Anniversary, January 4, 1998. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the Post for their outstanding service to veterans and to the community for the past 50 years, truly honoring the dead by helping the living; (HLS 1036)

Jack Smith, of Ellsworth, who served as judge in Maine's District and Superior Courts for more than 14 years. Judge

Smith was known as a gracious gentleman and treated people fairly. Before being appointed a judge, he was an attorney with the firm of Trafton & Scales; served as assistant Androscoggin County attorney; and was mayor of Auburn from 1975 to 1978. He will long be remembered by his loving family and all those who knew him;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1037)

Edward J. Norris II, of Portland, who was a former superintendent of the Portland Water District. Mr. Norris was an engineer by trade, having graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served in the United States Army in World War II and was in the United States Army Reserve for 24 years. Mr. Norris was a former president of the Maine Association of Engineers and was a member of numerous community and professional organizations. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1038)

Benjamin Beaulieu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Beaulieu of Brewer, and a member of Boy Scout Troop #16, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1039)

Daniel J. LeBrun, of Boy Scout Troop #50 in Lincoln, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1040)

Willie Sleeper, a junior at Katahdin High School, who scored his 1,000th career point for the Cougars basketball team; (HLS 1041)

Roger Romeo Gosselin, a longtime resident and businessman of Sanford. Mr. Gosselin served in the United States Army during World War II. Mr. Gosselin owned and operated Roger's Supa Dolla in Sanford for many years. Mr. Gosselin was a communicant of Holy Family Church, a charter member of the Sanford Chamber of Commerce, a 55-year member and past president of the Lions Club and a charter member of the AMVETS, VFW and American Legion. He will be missed by family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1042)

George Tousey III, beloved husband and father and a veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Tousey served on the Wells Board of Appeals. He will be missed by family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1043)

Rene R. Allard, who served in the United States Navy during World War II and in the United States Army during the Korean War. Mr. Allard was a bricklayer and mason contractor for 35 years. He was a communicant of Holy Family Church, a former chair of the town Democratic Committee and an active member of civic and community organizations;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1044)

Foxcroft Academy, in Dover-Foxcroft, which was established on January 31, 1823, and will be celebrating its 175th Anniversary on January 30, 1998. The academy was the first one to be incorporated after Maine became a state. Foxcroft Academy continues as one of Maine's leading secondary schools, providing a demanding and diverse college preparatory curriculum as well as a strong vocational program, for those preparing for technical schools and the "great duties of life." We extend our congratulations and very best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 1045)

Burton Cross, the former Governor of Maine, and his wife Olena Cross, of Augusta, on the very special occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary, November 1, 1997, which came 2 weeks before his 95th birthday, November 15, 1997. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to them at this happy time; (HLS 1046)

the Monument established to memorialize the 7 men who lost their lives in the crash of the B-52 Stratofortress on Elephant Mountain near Greenville, January 24, 1963 and to honor the 2 survivors of that crash. The honorees include Capt. Gerald J. Adler, Lt. Col. Dante E. Bulli, Lt. Col. Joe R. Simpson, Jr., Maj. William W. Gabriel, Maj. Robert J. Hill, Maj. Herbert L. Hanson, Capt. Charles G. Leuchter, T-Sgt. Michael F. O'Keefe and Maj. Robert Morrison. The aircraft crashed into Elephant Mountain after encountering turbulence while engaged in flight training. Rescuers who battled subzero temperatures, heavy wind and deep snow included local people and members of the warden service and the forest service and United States Air Force personnel. We acknowledge the dedicated service of all the members of the flight on the special occasion of the 35th anniversary of the crash; (HLS 1047)

the family and friends of Kevin Zebrowski and the numerous professionals involved in their relentless search for Kevin. Kevin, the son of Kenneth and Maureen Zebrowski, was a December 1997 graduate of the University of Maine at Farmington and was employed as a ski instructor at the Carrabassett Valley Academy. He has been missing since New Year's Eve. We extend our heartfelt compassion to his parents and other family members during this difficult time of uncertainty; (HLS 1048)

Rachel Talbot Ross, of Portland, who helped to create the ALANA organization, which was formed to create and strengthen community for students of color in Maine. College administrators, government officials, minority businesses and other community organizers came together to develop the African, Latino/Latina, Asian and Native American Conference for high school and college students of color to increase access to educational and economic development opportunities in Maine. We extend our congratulations to Rachel Talbot Ross and we extend our best wishes for future success in building stronger connections across racial, ethnic and cultural boundaries; (HLS 1049)

Solomon N. Gay, of South Paris, beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Mr. Solomon was a member of the South Paris Fire Department, was Past Master of Paris Lodge AF&AM and was a member of the Hungry Hollow Snowmobilers. Mr. Solomon will be missed by family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1050)

the Lisbon Fire Auxiliary for the Town of Lisbon for their dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank them for their many long hours of volunteer service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1051)

the E.T. Smith Hose Company, of Lisbon, for their dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank them for their many long hours of service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1052)

Jim Kelly and his crew from Enterprise Electric, of Lisbon Falls, for their dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank them for their many long hours of service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1053)

Lisbon Fire Chief Peter Lamb, emergency management director for the Town of Lisbon for his dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank him for his many long hours of service during this emergency situation; (HLS 1054)

the Lisbon Falls Fire Company for their dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank them for their many long hours of service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1055)

Police Chief David Brooks and the Lisbon Police Department for their dedicated service to the community during the ice storm of 1998. We thank them for their many long hours of service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1056)

the American Legion Emerson N. Lane Post #132, of Richmond, for its service to the community during the devastating ice storm of 1998. The American Legion opened and staffed its building as an emergency shelter for the many families that needed a place to stay during the storm. We extend our appreciation for the efforts of the American Legion during this crisis; (HLS 1057)

radio station WVOM for giving up all regular programming time to be the real heroes in the Bangor listening area during "Ice Storm '98." We thank WVOM, including all radio personalities and staff for their selfless work to inform the public during the state of emergency for the greater Bangor area; (HLS 1058)

Chris Scerbo, of Boy Scout Troop #586 in Farmington, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1059)

Wendy Fennell, of Perry, who has attained the high honor and distinction of being awarded the Girl Scout Silver Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1060)

Harvey and Germaine Poirier, of Norway, on the very special occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary, February 6, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 1061)

the Samuel Grant Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on its 100th Anniversary. The Samuel Grant Chapter was the 3rd chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution to be organized in the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 1062)

Oneil Boucher, Jr., of Madawaska, who worked at Fraser Paper Company for over 40 years. He was responsible for numerous innovations and improvements to winders and other machinery. Mr. Boucher never refused to come in when called, regardless of the time of day. He was the best example of a highly productive, dedicated, conscientious worker whose performance was outstanding in every way. He was devoted to his family and friends. Mr. Boucher served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War and then returned to Madawaska. Mr. Boucher was the rare person who always answered the call of duty and never faltered in the performance of that duty. He will be missed by all who knew him;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1063)

Harold Hemingway, of Farmington, Captain of the Farmington Fire Department, for his years of dedicated service as an active member of the fire department. Captain Hemingway, known to family and friends as "Stub," will be honored on February 3rd for his 56 years of service to the citizens of Farmington; (HLS 1064)

Richard Martin, of Marshfield, Massachusetts, upon his retirement from the United States Department of Labor Job Corps. Mr. Martin helped to secure a site for the National Job Corps Center of Innovation at the Loring Commerce Centre, which now employs over 130 Aroostook County residents and houses approximately 400 students from Maine. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Martin for his dedicated work on behalf of Aroostook County and the citizens of the State of Maine and extend our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1065)

Dick Hunt, a coach who never stopped coaching. Mr. Hunt coached Cony's basketball team for 12 years. He was president of the All-Maine Basketball Clinic at Unity College for 28 years. He won state championships at Cony in 1966 and 1973, coached an unbeaten regular season team in 1967 and took his Rams to the state final in 1972. He is credited as the first coach in the State to run a regular summer basketball program and he started a feeder program at the YMCA in Augusta. After leaving Cony, he moved on to Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia where his team won the national championship in 1977. He was named Canadian coach of the year in 1977 and 1978. Mr. Hunt's enthusiasm for basketball and Maine's youth serves as an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1066)

Phil Faulkner, the girls basketball coach at Hodgdon High School, upon his 400th career win on January 19, 1998. Mr. Faulkner has been a basketball coach for 28 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1067)

Janice Linscott, of Union, who is the recipient of the 1997 <u>Courier Gazette</u> Community Service Award. We, your friends, express our sincere appreciation to you for this most deserving honor; (HLS 1068)

Phil Tardif, an English teacher at Bucksport High School, who has been named as Outstanding High School Completion Teacher for 1997 in Maine. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1069)

Charles M. Sullivan, of Bangor, city councilor and former mayor of Bangor. Dr. Sullivan was a textbook author, college professor and administrator. He taught at St. Joseph's College in Philadelphia, Boston College, Bentley College and Husson College, where he served as academic dean, academic vicepresident and chair of the Business Department. He served 11 terms on the Bangor School Committee and was a member of numerous social and civic organizations. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1070)

Jennie Dunn, of Veazie, who has attained the high honor and distinction of receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1071)

Eloise R. Ault, of Wayne, who with co-authors Patty K. Lincoln, Walter Anderson and Woodrow Thompson, has published a three-part volume entitled <u>History of Wayne, Maine</u>. The book is being published in conjunction with Wayne's bicentennial celebration. We appreciate Ms. Ault's interest and thank her for her contribution to Wayne's bicentennial; (HLS 1072)

the Nash School building on its 100th Anniversary and also recognize and thank the Maine Humanities Council for its grant that made renovations to the Nash School possible. The Nash School building today is occupied by the Office of the Secretary of State and the Developmental Disabilities Council of Maine. The Nash School building has served the people of Maine well for the past 100 years and we hope that it will serve the people of Maine for many years to come; (HLS 1073)

St. Thomas Catholic School, of Sanford, on the 25th Anniversary of its consolidation with St. Ignatius and Notre Dame Elementary Schools. We extend our very best wishes to the school for future success and we congratulate the following members of the staff of the school: Principal Normand Provost; teachers Karen Jack, Bernadette Frost, Susan Ouellette, Jennifer Hussey, Michelle Melanson, Celeste Beaulieu, Sister Collette Caron, Marie Hamel, Aleta Campbell, Rose Marie Hill, Donna Jacques, Robert Anderson, Prudence Nealis, Susan McPhee and Bruce Carlson, Jr.; secretary Linda McCann; cafeteria director Lucille Demers; and bookkeeper Theresa Salls; (HLS 1074) Bernard Parady, a longtime resident of Mount Desert Island, affectionately known as "Bunny" to family and friends, who coached basketball, baseball and cross-country at Mount Desert Island Regional High School and later became its athletic director. He was known throughout the State as "The Dean" of Eastern Maine Basketball. Mr. Parady's style of leadership as a coach and his love for his players and students contributed to his immense popularity and respect among his peers and students. He was instrumental in establishing the summer recreation and baseball programs in the Mount Desert area and was an advocate of the schoolgirl basketball tournaments. Mr. Parady's enthusiasm for life serves as an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1075)

Patricia Ramsey, city clerk of the city of Old Town, who has been awarded the designation of Certified Municipal Clerk from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks for achieving its educational, experience and service requirements. She has been employed with the city of Old Town since June 1990. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1076)

Keith Mahaney, of Bangor, whose number 24 was retired on December 21, 1997 in recognition of his contributions to athletics at the University of Maine. As a college senior, Mr. Mahaney, among numerous basketball achievements, broke 9 individual records and tied his own record of 39 points in a game. At the time of his college graduation, he held 11 out of 14 records in basketball and earned the recognition of All-Maine, All-Yankee Conference, All-New England All-Star and All-American Honorable Mention. He was inducted into the University of Maine Sports Hall of Fame on October 22, 1993 and the Maine Sports Hall of Fame on June 11, 1994. We extend our congratulations to him on his number being retired and extend our appreciation to him for his accomplishments, which have served as inspiration to the youth of the State; (HLS 1077)

Andy Wright, a senior at Marshwood High School in Eliot, upon achieving his 100th win in his high school wrestling career. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1078)

Craig Gould, a junior at Marshwood High School in Eliot, upon achieving his 100th win in his high school wrestling career. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1079)

Marshwood High School Wrestling Team upon taking first place at the Western Maine Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this accomplishment; (HLS 1080)

the Marshwood High School Wrestling Team, which has won the 1998 Kennebunk Duo's Wrestling Tournament, and in extending our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (HLS 1081)

the members of the Marshwood High School Wrestling Team who won the 1998 Southern Maine Classic Wrestling Tournament. We extend our congratulations to the wrestlers on their outstanding victory; (HLS 1082)

Dustin Buttrick, a junior at Marshwood High School in Eliot, upon achieving his 100th win in his high school wrestling career. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1083)

Michelle M. Douglas, a senior at Carrebec High School in North Anson, who has been selected to receive the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. Good Citizen Award. Ms. Douglas also received the State D.A.R. Good Citizen Award. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 1084) Amanda Lynn Ingersoll, a senior at Upper Kennebec Valley School in Bingham, who has been selected to receive the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. Good Citizen Award. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 1085)

Kristina May Williams, a 7th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won second place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1086)

Eileen Rita Kingsbury, a senior at Madison Area High School in Madison, who has been selected to receive the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. Good Citizen Award. We extend our congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 1087)

Randall J. Thibodeau, a 6th grade student at the Garret Schenck School in Anson, who won first place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1088)

Liza Sargent, an 8th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won second place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1089)

Shayne R. Mullen, a 6th grade student at the Garret Schenck School in Anson, who won second place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1090)

Derrick Jordan, a 5th grade student at the Garret Schenck School in Anson, who won second place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1091)

Jamie Manzer, an 8th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won first place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1092)

Mark Edward Nichols, a 5th grade student at the Garret Schenck School in Anson, who won first place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1093)

Megan Kathleen Carbone, a 7th grade student at the Mark Emery School in North Anson, who won first place in the Ruth Heald Craigin Chapter of the D.A.R. "Forts in American History Built Prior to 1890" essay contest. We extend our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1094)

Rachel Brennan, of Robbinston, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 1095)

Rachel Reynolds, of Robbinston, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award in recognition of her excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting; (HLS 1096)

the Creative Apparel Plant in Harmony, its manager, David Carr, and its employees for helping Creative Apparel be named as the 1997 Merchant of the Year by the Maine Merchants Association, Inc.; (HLS 1097) Barbara and John Tyler, of East Wilton, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1098)

Dwight Hunter, longtime athletic director of Caribou, who is one of six people in the nation who have been awarded a citation by the National Federation of State High School Associations. The citation is presented annually to outstanding athletic directors for contributions to interscholastic athletics at the local, state and national levels. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1099)

the Town of Wayne, on its 200th Anniversary, beginning a yearlong bicentennial celebration. The Town of Wayne was incorporated by the Massachusetts General Court on February 12, 1798, and was named after the Revolutionary War hero, "Mad Anthony" Wayne. We extend our congratulations to this town in the beautiful Central Maine Lakes District, and our best wishes for continued success in the future; (HLS 1100)

Ambrose Maxim, of Winthrop, who is being honored in conjunction with the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans by the Veterans of Foreign Wars State Department for a decade of volunteer service to the Veterans Administration Medical Center at Togus. He is a United States Navy veteran of World War II and was quartermaster of the VFW Post 9526 in Winthrop for 18 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1101)

Jody Daigle, of Saint Agatha, a student at Wisdom High School, who has received a 1998 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1102)

Evelyn L. Trotzky, of Bangor, beloved wife of former State Senator Howard Trotzky. She worked for many years in hospital and university resource development, serving as Director of Public Relations and Development at St. Joseph Hospital, Director of Community Relations and Development at the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center and Executive Director of the Pine Tree 4-H Foundation at the University of Maine. She was a member of numerous professional and civic organizations and was a member of Beth Abraham Synagogue. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1103)

Cecile Levesque, of Caribou, Office Manager for the Clerical Services Group Supervisor in the Department of Human Services, on the special occasion of her retirement. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1104)

Alfred Newman, of Yarmouth, a teacher at Yarmouth High School for receiving the National Science Foundation Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching for 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1105)

Wilford "Bill" Barr and Carolyn Rogers Barr, of Lisbon Falls, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 1, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them; (HLS 1106)

Franklin Packard who lived most of his life in Norway and Greene. He was a founding member of the Greene Men's Club and was a Boy Scout Leader for many years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping and was an avid snowmobiler who worked tirelessly on the trails. He had worked for Central Maine Power Company for 41 years. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1107)

Carl Langley, 12, of Fort Fairfield, a student at Fort Fairfield Middle/High School. Carl had recently been the recipient of the 1998 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer community service, one of the top two youth volunteers in the State. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, classmates and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1108)

Plummer Funeral Home, of Augusta, on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. Plummer Funeral Home has been a locally owned family business through all those years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 1109)

Mark E. Cartton, a member of the South Portland Police Department, upon his being named the 1997 Police Officer of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1110)

Harold E. Thivierge, on the special occasion of his retirement from the Department of Human Services, Bureau of Family Independence. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1111)

Jennifer Morrell, a student at Catherine McAuley High School, who has received a 1998 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1112)

Jarad Lane, of Boy Scout Troop #698, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1113)

the Marshwood High School Wrestling Team, the Hawks, for winning their 4th straight Western Maine Conference Class B Wrestling Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the following 1998 team members: Dan Whelan, Daryl Buttrick, Jake Demaris, Craig Gould, Justin Wheeler, Joey Dolben, Greg Skafedas, Brian Whelan, Dustin Buttrick, Tom Whelan, Scott McKenny, Scott Holton and Andy Wright; (HLS 1114)

the HHB 1st Battalion 152nd Field Artillery, of the Maine Army National Guard in Caribou, for their extraordinary efforts and assistance during the Ice Storm of 1998, and in extending our appreciation and very best wishes to them; (HLS 1115)

the Traip Academy cheerleading team, the Rangers, who won the 1998 Western Maine Class C Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Coach Jessi Averill and the following team members: Jessica Dalton, Co-Captain, Danielle Durgin, Rhiannon Fernandes, Rebecca Flohr, Katie Gilpatrick, Courtney Hill, Palema Johnson, Diana Linero, Vanessa Long, Abbey Slaughenhoup, Sarah Varney, Co-Captain, Heather Wheeler and Holly Wheeler; (HLS 1116)

Gloria K. Knox, on the special occasion of her retirement from the Department of Human Services, Bureau of Family Independence. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1117)

Nita McKenney, on the occasion of her retirement after 30 years of work in the Monmouth school system. She will be remembered for her quiet, kind manner behind the secretary's desk at the Cottrell School. We extend our appreciation to her for her years of dedication and commitment to the Monmouth community and offer best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1118)

Linda Tukey, recipient of the prestigious Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. She has been a family and consumer science instructor at Jay High School for 6 years. We congratulate her on this achievement and express our appreciation for her enthusiasm and her devotion to the education of our youth; (HLS 1119)

Lieutenant Sidney "Sid" Bridges, Sr., beloved husband of the late Mildred Bell Bridges. Mr. Bridges was a lieutenant in the Washington County Sheriff's Office, a firearms instructor, a square dance instructor and a member of the Reorganized Church of Latter-day Saints. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1120)

Chad R. Brackett, a member of Boy Scout Troop #207 in Union, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1121)

Philip and Virginia Barden, of Milo, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1122)

the Bonny Eagle High School cheerleader team, who won the 1998 Class A State Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievement; (HLS 1123)

Lionel J. "Pete" Lamontagne, a lifelong resident of Sanford, who was a United States Navy Veteran of the Korean War. He owned and operated the Sanford Barber and Beauty shop and was a member of the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. He organized the Sanford-Springvale Jaycees in 1960, was a former chair of the Sanford Democratic Committee, was a Sanford Zoning Board member and a Warrant Committee member. Mr. Lamontagne was a former bail commissioner and was on the Police Commission for 12 years where for 10 years he served as chair. He was a Sanford Call Firefighter for 12 years with the rank of Captain. We acknowledge his dedicated service and he will be greatly missed; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1124)

Leslie Maxwell Ohmart, Jr., of Brewer, beloved husband of Dorothy M. Ohmart and former proprietor of Ohmart and Hinkley Pharmacies and TLC Medical Services. Mr. Ohmart was a member of the United States Navy Dance Band during World War II. He was well-known for his devotion to his family and his care and concern for others. He was an active participant in professional, educational. fraternal and recreational organizations and was honored for his humanitarian efforts by the Maine Pharmaceutical Association for founding Project Graduation and for service to the Commission of Pharmacy. He also received the Salvation Army Citizen of the Year award for 1985. Mr. Ohmart will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1125)

Roland L. Hanscom, of Orrington, beloved husband of Margaret Grinnell Hanscom, a veteran of World War II and an owner and operator of H.E. Hanscom & Sons. He was an active participant in civic, fraternal, charitable and volunteer organizations and was a member of the Orrington Center Methodist Church and the First United Methodist Church of Orrington. Mr. Hanscom was an advocate for veterans' rights, having worked tirelessly to ensure that disabled and convalescing comrades-in-arms receive their entitled benefits. He served for several years as a volunteer for the Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Mr. Hanscom will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1126)

the Reverend E. Lamar Robinson, on his retirement as Pastor of the Christ Church in Kennebunk, whose numerous contributions to his church and community during the past 28 years have helped make the villages of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport such special places to live, work and raise families. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him; (HLS 1127)

Karen Arel, the Executive Director of the Kennebunk-Kennebunkport Chamber of Commerce, on being named 1997 Chamber of Commerce Executive of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1128)

Mathew A. Cunningham, of Nobleboro, a member of Boy Scout Troop #213, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1129)

Presented by Representative SPEAR of Nobleboro.

Curt Brunner, of Noble High School, upon winning the 145pound weight class in the Class A Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1130)

Kevin Gray, of Noble High School, upon winning the 112pound weight class in the Class A Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1131)

Bill Cross, of Noble High School, upon winning the 119pound weight class in the Class A Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1132)

the following individuals who provided emergency services to the citizens of the Town of Waterboro during the Great Ice Storm of '98: Waterboro EMA Director Pam L'Heureux; York County EMA Director Bob Bolhman; Selectpersons Dennis Abbott, Dale Witman and Brenda Charland; Fire Chief Elias Smith, Jr., and the members of the Waterboro Fire Department; Rescue Chief Beverly Sinclair and members of the Waterboro Rescue; Road Commissioner Fred Fay and his crew; Doug Foglio and Company; Les Leighton and Company; Glen Dyer and Company; M.S.A.D. #57 Superintendent of Schools Fred Bechard and School Board Chair Millard Genthner. We acknowledge their hard work and selflessness during this devastating storm and extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1133)

Lula (Buzzell) and Robert Bunker, Sr., on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary, December 31, 1997. Mr. and Mrs. Bunker have 2 children, 6 grandchildren and 15 greatgrandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 1134)

Daryl Buttrick, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 112-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1135)

Marshwood High School Wrestling Team upon achieving 2nd place in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our best wishes and congratulations; (HLS 1136)

Dan Whelan, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 103-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1137)

Tom Whelan, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 171-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1138)

Dustin Buttrick, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 160-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1139)

Scott Holton, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 215-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1140)

Andy Wright, of Marshwood High School, upon winning the 275-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1141)

Craig Gould, of Marshwood High School, upon placing 2nd in the 125-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1142)

Jake Demaris, of Marshwood High School, upon placing 2nd in the 119-pound weight class in the Class B Wrestling State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1143)

the Traip Academy cheerleader team, the Rangers, who won the 1998 Class C State Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievement; (HLS 1144)

Kendell Olsen, for his years of service as a guidance counselor and most recently as the principal of Katahdin High School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Olsen for his dedication and commitment to the youth of our state and offer best wishes on his future endeavor in the finance industry; (HLS 1145)

Fire Chief Milan Thornton, on the occasion of his retirement from the Millinocket Fire Department after nearly 25 years of dedicated service, 12 years as the fire chief. We extend our appreciation to him for his public service and offer our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1146)

Paul Bisulca, of Oxford, former Penobscot Nation Tribal Representative, in appreciation of his tireless advocacy on behalf of the Penobscot Nation and his dedicated service as a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources. Mr. Bisulca, who served in the Maine House of Representatives during the 117th Legislature and the First Regular Session of the 118th Legislature, was an articulate and effective educator and advocate for protecting Maine's natural environment, especially the water quality of the Penobscot River; (HLS 1147)

Kirsten Clark, of Raymond, who represented the United States in the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan in the Downhill Skiing Event. Reaching the Olympics represents the highest level of competition in which an amateur athlete can participate. We acknowledge her remarkable athletic ability, her extreme dedication and her years of hard work. We extend our congratulations to her on this major achievement; (HLS 1148)

Clifton E. Moody, of Pittston, beloved husband of Frances Tarr Moody, a longtime employee of the Augusta Mental Health Institute and an avid farmer. Mr. Moody was a selectman for the Town of Pittston for more than 25 years and had served in the First Division in the Army in France and Germany during World War II. Mr. Moody will be sadly missed by family and friends; (HLS 1149)

Francis Perry, of Hallowell and New Port Richey, Florida. Mr. Perry, the beloved husband of Mary Perry, was a veteran of World War II and a longtime employee of Boise Cascade. He served the citizens of the Town of Mexico as their representative to the Maine State Legislature for 8 years. He was a communicant of St. Augustine Catholic Church in Augusta and of Our Lady Queen of Peace in Florida. Mr. Perry was a former selectman for the Town of Mexico and a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (HLS 1150)

Shawn Burton, of Traip Academy, whose sensational season of wrestling in the 145-pound weight class included placing first in the Class C Western Maine Wrestling Championship and placing 2nd in the Class C State Wrestling Championship. We extend our congratulations to him on these accomplishments; (HLS 1151)

Michal Pinkham, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Honorable

Mention Girls Basketball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1152)

Sonya Kazmersky, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C 2nd Girls Basketball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1153)

Kevin Guay, of Traip Academy in Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C 2nd Boys Basketball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1154)

Tom Spiller, of Traip Academy, whose sensational season of wrestling in the 140-pound weight class included placing first in the Class C Western Maine Wrestling Championship and placing 2nd in the Class C State Wrestling Championship. We extend our congratulations to him on these accomplishments; (HLS 1155)

Maurice and Grace Parker, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, January 15, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Parker on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1156)

Herman and Viola Paradis, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 23, 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Paradis on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1157)

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Smith, David Smith and his family and Jeremiah and Rose Smith and their son Joshua, owners of the Clement Smith farm, of Monmouth, on being named the Farm Family of the Year by the Agricultural Committee of the Maine State Grange. We extend our congratulations to the Smith family on this occasion; (HLS 1158)

Mellory Giberson, a sophomore at Valley High in Bingham, whose state-record all-around performance in the 1998 State Gymnastics Championship included first places in 3 of the 4 events. She won the uneven parallel bars, the balance beam and the floor exercise. With a 3rd place in the vault, she broke the previous record set 4 years ago. We extend our congratulations to Mellory on being named the 1998 State Gymnastics Champion; (HLS 1159)

Gerald Berube, on the occasion of his retirement as the City Clerk of Lewiston. Mr. Berube, considered the "dean of clerks in the state," has been the city clerk for 30 years. Lewiston is losing a public servant whose "knowledge is an institution." We extend our appreciation to Mr. Berube for his years of dedicated public service and offer him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1160)

W. Herbert and Merna Dunham, of Milo, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 20, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1161)

Etta Hall, of St. George, and join her family and the people of St. George in congratulating her on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, March 3, 1998. Throughout her life, Mrs. Hall has very quietly served as an example of kindness, patience and neighborly concern. Not weary in well doing, she continues to be active in the church and sings in the choir. We wish her years of continued happiness; (HLS 1162)

Mayor Sataro Narita, of the Village of Shariki, Aomori Prefecture, Japan, on his receiving the prestigious John E. Thayer, III Award presented by the Japan Society of Boston, Inc. in recognition of the Mayor's significant contribution to the advancement of understanding between Japan and the United States; (HLS 1163)

Larry Ayoob, who has been named as the 1997 Citizen of the Year by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Ayoob, a longtime resident of Fort Fairfield, has unselfishly dedicated several years of his life to helping the people in the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1164)

Vince and Kathy Bernier, owners and operators of the Hillside IGA, which was named as the 1997 Outstanding Business of the Year by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. The Berniers' commitment to the community, their employees and customer service have made them the success they are today. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1165)

Nancy Larson who has been named the 1997 Director of the Year by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. She has been a dedicated Chamber Director for several years, serving as Treasurer in 1997. She has volunteered countless hours of her time for such major projects as the Maine Potato Blossom Festival and the Northern Maine Agri-Business Trade Fair. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1166)

Clifton H. Deringer, Jr., Chair of the Battleship USS Maine Centennial Committee, for his untiring efforts in pursuing the inclusion of the bow shield and scrolls of the USS Maine at Davenport Park on the National Register of Historical Sites and for his efforts to restore this national treasure to its original glory and preserve it for future generations. We applaud Mr. Deringer's efforts and offer our gratitude for his dedication and commitment to this worthwhile endeavor; (HLS 1167)

Matt Lindsay, a senior at Penobscot Valley High School, upon winning the 119-pound weight class in the Class C Wrestling State Championship. He is one of 2 people in the State to win the gold 4 years in a row. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1168)

Stuart Lane, of Lincoln, on being named the 1998 Penobscot County Area Outstanding Tree Farmer. We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1169)

Tracy K. Lord, upon his retirement after 20 years as secretary/treasurer of the Dover-Foxcroft Fire Department. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Lord for his years of dedicated public service and offer him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1170)

Richard E. Snyder, upon his retirement after 29 years as Deputy Fire Chief for the Dover-Foxcroft Fire Department. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Snyder for his years of dedicated public service and offer him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1171)

William J. Bell, of Boy Scout Troop #37 in South Portland, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate him on his diligence and dedication to Scouting, his community and his family; (HLS 1172)

the Thomaston Public Library, on the special occasion of its 100th Anniversary, March 22, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes for continued success on the library's Centennial; (HLS 1173)

Alice and Winfield Sawyer, of Mapleton, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 19, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1174)

the ground-breaking ceremony of the Corporal Clair Goodblood Medal of Honor Memorial at the Town of Burnham Veterans Memorial Park. Corporal Goodblood was a member of Company D, 7th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division during the Korean War. Corporal Goodblood gave his life to save the life of his assistant. He had his assistant evacuated to get medical attention and fearlessly maintained his position. When his body was recovered, there were over 100 enemy dead nearby. Corporal Goodblood was bestowed the Congressional Medal of Honor, our nation's highest award, for his bravery and valor. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the people of the United States; (HLS 1175)

Waterboro Rescue team members Jackie Calvo, Bev Sinclair, Angie Calvo, Susan Link, Steve Oullette and Dan Link on their first delivery. A healthy 7 lb. 2 oz. baby girl was delivered to Tammy Gignac on February 11, 1998. We extend our appreciation to the Waterboro Rescue team for their continued efforts in helping the people of the State; (HLS 1176)

Patrick Conley, of Westbrook High School, one of six students being honored at an awards ceremony at the Blaine House for having the highest scores on the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the 1997 Maine Educational Assessment. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (HLS 1177)

Samantha Lott, who has earned the distinction of being the valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Marshwood High School and who is also the recipient of the Principal's Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her achievements; (HLS 1178)

Pat Berry, who has earned the distinction of being the salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Marshwood High School and who is also the senior class vice-president. Pat is a National Merit Scholar finalist and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievements; (HLS 1179)

Seth Harmon, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top 10 students of the 1998 graduating class of Marshwood High School. He is the class president and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievements; (HLS 1180)

the members of the Scarborough Fire Department for working 16-hour days from January 10 to January 15, 1998 to restore power to 1347 homes and businesses in Scarborough and to another 1500 homes in surrounding communities. Members of the volunteer team known as the Scarborough Fire and Light include Calvin Bayley, Nathan Bennett, Steven Bennett, Stephen Chamberlain, Glen Deering, Mark Dyer, Donald Mitchell, Michael Plummer and Michael Thurlow. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Scarborough Fire and Light for its dedication to the citizens of this State; (HLS 1181)

Debbie Hemmond, of Minot, upon her retirement after 18 years of wonderful service to the citizens of Minot as the emergency dispatcher. Ms. Hemmond, also known as the "Voice of Minot," has always been there for people during a time of crisis. We express our sincere gratitude and best wishes for a happy and healthy retirement; (HLS 1182)

Gregory McNeil, of Millinocket, upon being named Governor of Boys State. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1183)

the following members of the Dexter Regional High School Wrestling Team, winners of the Maine State Class C Championship: Phil Mosley, Adam Gudroe, Ken Welch, Sean Cole, Robert Luff, Adam Paige, Justin Cardelli, Jonathan Wilbur, Eric Shaw, John Bryer, Joshua Patterson, Ross Palmer, Aaron Thompson, Joseph Turner, Daniel Hartford and Cooper Page; coaches David Gudroe, Randy Gudroe and Frank Spizuoco; and managers Jenni Curtis, Kelly Cummings, Michelle Gudroe and Mandy Hanscom. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1184)

Raymond G. Thompson, of Standish. Mr. Thompson served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. He was the owner and operator of the Standish IGA for many years and was a member of several professional, social and service organizations. He will be missed greatly by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1185)

the following members of the Monmouth Academy Girls Basketball Team, who are the 1998 Western Maine Class D Champions: Laurel Poole, Georgia Riggs, Missy Jones, Angela Rioux, Megan Chuprevich, Jen Black, Jenn Berube, Faith Flannery, Abby Carter, Sierra Grant, Kate Chuprevich, Ashely Poole, Sarah Baran and Kara Pushard; Coach Rick Amero and Assistant Coaches Debbie Marshall and Rachel Bernier; Managers April Bonderud, Beth Mulcahy and Pajaree Thongvanit. They were undefeated going into the state championship game. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 1186)

the members of the Brewer High School Girls Indoor Track Team and coach David Jeffrey, winners of the 1998 Class A Eastern Maine State and Indoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1187)

the members of the Brewer High School Boys Indoor Track Team and coach David Jeffrey, winners of the 1998 Class A Eastern Maine Indoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1188)

Doris Devine and Leonard Keisman, of Fryeburg, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, March 13, 1998 and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1189)

James Rose Carter, of Hampden, on the occasion of his 100th birthday. Mr. Carter was born March 12, 1898 in Andover, Massachusetts. Since moving to Hampden in 1967, he has been quite active in the community as a member of Kiwanis, Hampden Historical Society, Hampden Congregational Church and the Hampden Neighborhood Food Cupboard, which he helped organize in 1993. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this momentous occasion; (HLS 1190)

Lillian Anderson, on the occasion of her 70th birthday. Ms. Anderson worked for the Department of Mental Health for 25 years and is an active member of her community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1191)

Nate Sergent, of Gardiner, who has received the prestigious James J. Fitzpatrick Award for his outstanding performance as a receiver for the Class A Gardiner High School "Tigers" football team; (HLS 1192)

Philip and Evelyn Sharpe, of Augusta, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1193)

the Canine Good Citizen program and in applauding its efforts to promote responsible dog ownership. The program was developed by the American Kennel Club and teaches pet owners that dogs should exhibit "good citizen" behaviors in the presence of people and other animals; (HLS 1194)

the Girl Scouts of America and join them in celebrating Girl Scout Week, March 8th to March 14th. During this week, 16,000 Maine Girl Scouts will join with 2.5 million other Girl Scouts from throughout the United States to celebrate Girl Scout Week, the 86th anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouts of the United States of America. We acknowledge and appreciate the difference Girl Scouting makes in the lives of girls. We extend our best wishes to them as they celebrate Girl Scout Week; (HLS 1195) Frederick and Pauline Brackett, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary and in extending our best wishes and congratulations to them; (HLS 1196)

the following Monmouth Academy Cheerleaders and their coaches, whose sensational 1997-98 season includes being named the East-West Conference Champions, the Class D Western Maine Champions and the Class D State Champions: Christy Howard, Katherine Ludewig, Bekka Dumont, Rachel Ellis, Erica Pushard, Bethany Sirois, Liz Thibodeau, Kim Burgess, Stephanie Morin, Andria Vachon, Nichole Doucette, Kristin Gulliford, Megan Jackson, Lauren Kolenda, Jessie Sawyer, Monica Sirois and coaches Mike Gilbert, Rita Howard and Sharlene Morin. We extend our congratulations to them on their accomplishments; (HLS 1197)

Jayne F. Higgins, of Millinocket, who was named Mrs. Maine of America for 1997-1998. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her as she continues her reign; (HLS 1198)

Nathan Stillwell, of New Gloucester, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1199)

Duane Albert, of Boy Scout Troop #817 in Gorham, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1200)

Greg Caiazzo, of Boy Scout Troop #817 in Gorham, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1201)

the members of the Cheverus High School Indoor Track Team and their coach "Mister" Charlie Malia, who won the State Class A Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1202)

Keith H. Schoppee, a lifelong resident of Jonesboro, who died on February 17, 1998. Mr. Schoppee was a devoted father, grandfather, neighbor and friend and a dedicated public servant. He entered the U.S. Army in 1944 and served his country until 1946 with the 70th Anti-Aircraft Group in the Philippines. He was a cofounder of the Jonesport Volunteer Fire Department in 1952 and was instrumental in founding the International Border Firemen's Association in 1953. He remained an active member of the Jonesboro Grange for more than 30 years, was a school bus driver since 1969 and was a member of the Jonesboro Board of Selectmen for 43 years between 1952 and 1998. We salute his dedicated service and his devotion to his town, his state and his nation. Mr. Schoppee's passing has left a void that will be difficult to fill. We extend our condolences to his family and his community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1203)

the following members of the Washington Academy "Raiders" Basketball Team, winners of the Eastern Maine Class C Boys Basketball Championship: Dave Akoa, Brandon Ashby, Nate Davis, Mike Ferguson, Jeffrey Look, Jeremy Look, Josh Ramsdall, Matt Saumur, Danny Smith, James Smith, Nick St. Pierre and Glen Wood; Managers Bobbie-Jo Bourdeau, Crystal Hatch and Jen Jones; Coach Donald "Buddy" Wood and Assistant Coaches Steve Pine and Chad Fitzsimmons; (HLS 1204)

the following members of the Jonesport-Beals "Royals" Boys Basketball Team, winners of the Eastern Maine Class D Basketball Championship: Nathaniel Alley, Dwight Alley, Ira Kelley, Donald Beal, Brent Davis, Patrick Beal, Joshua Knowlton, Erick Beachwood, Brian Alley, Jr., Heath Urquhart, Daniel Redman, James Robinson Jr., Glenn Libby Jr., Raymond Mills and Allan Thibodeau; Managers Chris Kelly and Patrick Kelly; Coach Ordman Alley and Assistant Coach Michael Kelly; (HLS 1205) Casey Brown, of Piscataquis High School, one of six students being honored at an awards ceremony at the Blaine House for having the highest scores on the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the 1997 Maine Educational Assessment. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (HLS 1206)

Erin Weston, a senior guard on the Penquis Valley "Lady Patriots" Basketball Team, who scored her 1,000th career point on January 31, 1998; (HLS 1207)

Allen's Transfer and Storage, of Augusta, upon being named the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce 1998 "Business of the Year"; (HLS 1208)

Warren C. Kessler, president and CEO of MaineGeneral Health, who has been named the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce "Business Person of the Year"; (HLS 1209)

Lipman & Katz, P.A., Attorneys at Law, who have received the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce's "President's Award"; (HLS 1210)

Augusta Tree Board, who has received the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce's "Community Service Award"; (HLS 1211)

Kennebec Valley Humane Society, who has received the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce's "Community Service Award"; (HLS 1212)

Uncle Henry's, who has received the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce's "President's Award"; (HLS 1213)

TechKnowledge Inc., who has received the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce's "President's Award"; (HLS 1214)

Robert P. Lacasse, who has been awarded the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce "Lifetime Achievement Award"; (HLS 1215)

Andy Wright, a student at Marshwood High School, who has been named to the <u>Maine Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team; (HLS 1216)

Scott Holton, a student at Marshwood High School, who has been named to the <u>Maine Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team; (HLS 1217)

Jake Demaris, a student at Marshwood High School, who received Honorable Mention to the <u>Maine Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team for placing 2nd in the 119-pound weight class in the Class B State Wrestling Championship; (HLS 1218)

Tom Whelan, a student at Marshwood High School, who received Honorable Mention to the <u>Maine_Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team for placing 2nd in the 171-pound weight class in the Class B State Wrestling Championship; (HLS 1219)

Dustin Buttrick, a student at Marshwood High School, who has been named to the <u>Maine Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team; (HLS 1220)

Daryl Buttrick, a student at Marshwood High School, who has been named to the <u>Maine Sunday Telegram</u> 1998 All-State Wrestling Team; (HLS 1221)

Stephanie Burke, a student at Noble High School, who has received a 1998 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1222)

Leilani Carman, a student at the Oxford Hills Middle School, who has been named one of the State's top middle school student volunteers in Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. Recipients are recognized for their outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership and community spirit. Leilani spent 3 years as a volunteer at the Market Square Nursing Home. We extend our best wishes and congratulations on this occasion; (HLS 1223)

the students from Oak Hill High School, who won the Stock Market Game 2000. Each year 9,000 students from every county in Maine participate in this investment simulation project sponsored by the Securities Industry Association. Team members include: captain Darren Collins, Gary McMurry, Norm Beaupre, Patrick Curran and Toby Johnson; advisor Jim Ford; and teachers Roger Fuller and Patricia Doyle who provided technical assistance. We extend our congratulations to the team on their victory; (HLS 1224)

Ernest "Ernie" Campbell, on the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of dedicated service to the Presque Isle Police Department. Patrolman Campbell, the recipient of a commendation from the City of Presque Isle for his efforts in a hostage situation and well-known for keeping the streets safer, will be missed by the citizens of the city. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Campbell on his retirement; (HLS 1225)

Don Worcester, Sr., of Lincoln, who was the proprietor of Worcester Brothers, the company he co-founded in 1946. Mr. Worcester was a strong supporter of youth and an advocate for education. He served on the MSAD #47 Board of Directors, and was a member of the Board of Region III, a 48-year member of Horeb Lodge No. 93, and a member of the Lincoln Snowhounds and the Maine Oil Dealers Association. Mr. Worcester had a big heart and love for Lincoln and will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1226)

Rosella Moody, of Lincoln, who lived a long, active life and contributed much to the community of Lincoln. Ms. Moody worked for New England Telephone for 27 years and was active in church and lodge work. Ms. Moody has been an inspiration to us all as living proof that age need not be a severe handicap. Ms. Moody has left deep footprints in the community of Lincoln and will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1227)

Brian Prescott, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 140pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1228)

Tim Boetsch, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 189pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1229)

Seth Leighton, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 145pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1230)

the Camden-Rockport High School Boys Basketball Team, upon winning the Eastern Maine Class B Championship, after a full season of undefeated games. We extend to coaches Jeff Hart and John Shaw and every member of the team our best wishes and sincere congratulations on a superior year; (HLS 1231)

Erik Thompson, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 135pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1232)

Matt Kubel, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 125-pound weight class, and being named the tournament's outstanding wrestler. This accomplishment capped a high school career of 112 wins and a remarkable senior year season of 34 - 0 during which not one opponent recorded a take-down point against him. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on these superb successes; (HLS 1233)

Lucas McKittrick, of Camden-Rockport High School, upon winning the Class B State Wrestling Championship in the 152pound weight class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1234)

the AMVETS volunteers and the community members of New Gloucester for their many hours of volunteer service and the AMVETS Lunn Hunnewell Post 6 for opening its building as an emergency shelter during the ice storm of 1998. The 9 AMVETS, 14 auxiliary representatives, 10 youths and 35 community members volunteered a total of 907 hours of their time during the storm. We extend our sincere appreciation and thank them for their many long hours of volunteer service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 1235)

Robert Brewer, a senior Army ROTC Cadet Major at the University of Maine who is receiving the Charles A. Rice Saber from the University of Maine Alumni Association as the Outstanding Military Science Student. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1236)

Douglas W. Steele, of Portland, retired Portland Chief of Police. Mr. Steele joined the department as a patrolman in 1939 and was a member of the department for 33 years. He was promoted over the years and was named chief in 1968. He retired from the force in 1972 and worked as head of security at the Casco Northern Bank until 1985. Mr. Steele was a member of numerous social, professional and fraternal organizations. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his city and the State. He will be missed by his family and friends; (HLS 1237)

the Camden-Rockport High School Wrestling Team, upon winning the Class B Wrestling Championship under the guidance of Coach John Kelly and Assistant Coaches Perry Goodspeed, Patrick Kelly, Marc Dean, Greg Learnard and Darryl DelPonte. Contributing to this triumph were 13 members of the team. Seven wrestlers reached the finals and six won their weight classes. All together, 11 medals were awarded to this championship team. To every member of the team, we extend our best wishes and sincere congratulations; (HLS 1238)

Reginald B. Brown, of Durham, beloved husband of Frances Bowie Brown. A dedicated public servant, Mr. Brown was a longtime employee of the Town of Durham and a member of the Durham Volunteer Fire Department for 50 years, where he served as the fire chief for 15 years and was instrumental in forming the bylaws for the fire department. He was a respected and active member of his community and will certainly be missed by his family and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1239)

Herbert E. Clark, of Millinocket, for 16 years of service as a representative to the Maine State Legislature during the 110th through the 117th legislative sessions. We extend our appreciation for his years of dedicated public service; (HLS 1240)

Robert V. Connors, on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years of thoughtful, dedicated service to the Lewiston school system. Mr. Connors served the students and citizens of Lewiston with patience, tact, fairness, compassion, integrity, commitment and wisdom as a teacher, principal, assistant superintendent of schools and superintendent of schools. He was named Maine Superintendent of the Year in 1998. We appreciate his service to the people of Maine and extend our best wishes for his future endeavors; (HLS 1241)

Kevin Pulkkinen, of Minot, who scored the highest on the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the 1997 Maine Educational Assessment. Kevin, a student at Buckfield High School, is one of only 6 students who accomplished this achievement. We extend our congratulations and offer best wishes for continued educational success; (HLS 1242)

Aimee Candelore, of Saco, one of six students being honored at an awards ceremony at the Blaine House for having the highest scores on the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the 1997 Maine Educational Assessment. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievement; (HLS 1243)

Louise Folsom, of Union, on the special occasion of her 90th Birthday. She moved to Union in 1972 and has faithfully served the Town of Union as Selectperson, moderator, Planning Board Secretary, Budget Committee member, Pullen Committee trustee and still serves as election clerk. Louise served as Librarian from 1975-1995 and is a charter member of the Historical Society, serving as treasurer for over 10 years. We acknowledge her dedicated service to her community and join all her many friends in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 1244)

Nettie Starkey, on the occasion of her 95th birthday, March 13, 1998. Ms. Starkey has been an election clerk for the Town of Nobleboro for the past 35 years. We thank Ms. Starkey for her dedicated service to the citizens of Nobleboro and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her as she celebrates her birthday; (HLS 1245)

the following members of the Wisdom High School Girls Basketball Team, the Lady Pioneers, who have won the 1998 Class D State Championship: Becky Pelletier, Trisha Cyr, Tracy Guerette, Jessica Paradis, Loni Gervais, Sonia Lavoie, Kelly Cyr, Jen Desrosier, Joy Gervais, Courtney Lugdon, Nina Michaud, Michelle Desrosier, Debra Lowe, Coach Mim Gagnon, Assistant Coach Vern Labbe and manager Shelly Chasse. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1246)

Erin Pelletier, a member of the Madawaska High School Girls Ski Team, who was state champion in the giant slalom at the 1998 Class C Downhill State Championship; (HLS 1247)

Vetal Daigle, of Madawaska, a respected colleague, who served as a member of the House of Representatives during the 92nd Legislature. He was a potato farmer and active in the Soil Conservation Program. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1248)

Brian Beaulieu, a member of the Madawaska High School Boys Ski Team, who was state champion in the giant slalom at the 1998 Class C Downhill State Championship; (HLS 1249)

Tracy Guerrette, a member of the Wisdom High School Girls Basketball Team, who was named Most Valuable Player at the Eastern Maine Class D girls' basketball tournament; (HLS 1250)

the following members of the Madawaska High School Boys Downhill Ski Team: Doug Guerrette, Todd Levesque, Ben Bouchard, Brian Beaulieu, Justin Wood, Chad Carter, Justin Michaud and Coach Rick Pelletier, winners of the 1998 State Class C Downhill Championship; (HLS 1251)

the following members of the Madawaska High School Girls Downhill Ski Team: Kristy Bellefleur, Kristin Pelletier, Erin Pelletier, Steph Pelletier, Emily Lavertu, Chantel Dionne, Christina Lavertu, Jamie Pelletier and Coach Rick Pelletier, winners of the 1998 Class C Downhill State Championship; (HLS 1252)

Christopher Robertson, of Bangor High School, one of six students being honored at an awards ceremony at the Blaine House for having the highest scores on the reading, writing and mathematics sections of the 1997 Maine Educational Assessment. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (HLS 1253) Earl Leveille, of Clifton, upon his retirement after 10 years as selectman for the Town of Clifton. We appreciate Mr. Leveille's dedicated service to the community and wish him well on his retirement; (HLS 1254)

the following members of the Winslow High School Hockey Team, the Black Raiders, who have won the 1998 Class B State Hockey Championship: Robbie Fortin, Chris Couturier, Jeff Paquette, Mike Loubier, Nick McCann, David Sheehan, Travis Bickford, Wes Zemrak, Nick Roy, Jared Poulin, Ryan Siviski, Sean Bridges, Jake Fraser, Ben Fraser, Brad White, Jared Bailey, Chris Marcoux, Mark Gunning, Jon Taylor, Dom Soucie, Joey Sturtevant, Heath Hotham, Todd Mathiew, Nate Poulin, Coach Lee Bureau, Assistant Coach Spat Roy, JV Coach Dave Miranda and managers Michelle Ayotte, Missy Morneau and Dan Michaud. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1255)

Joel L. Cartwright, of Waldoboro, an eighth grade student at A.D. Gray School, who has won the Lincoln County Spelling Bee. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1256)

Christine Quast McElroy, for being awarded the 1998 Young Dietitian of the Year for the Commonwealth of Virginia, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1257)

Patricia and Joseph Ward, of Maine and Fort Worth, Texas, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They were married in Lewiston on August 23, 1948. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1258)

the following citizens of Gorham who went unselfishly and with compassion, generosity and ingenuity to the aid of friends and neighbors during the Great Ice Storm of 1998: Fire and Rescue Chief Robert Lefebvre; Shelter Committee members Gordon Junkins, Heidi Thuotte, Ethel Johnson, Linda and George Deering; Police Chief Ronald Shepard; Public Works Director Gary Lafarno; Town Manager David Cole; the Town Councilors; all of the town staff; and the many volunteers. Their dedication demonstrates the sense of community that makes Gorham a special place in which to live; (HLS 1259)

Gerry Turner, of Bangor, recipient of a 1998 Jefferson Award for his dedication and commitment to the City of Bangor as a volunteer. Mr. Turner is involved with numerous charitable and nonprofit organizations in Bangor, including the Eastern Maine Healthcare Children's Miracle Network, United Way, Manna, St. John's School, Cascade Park, The March of Dimes and the Heart Association. We extend our appreciation to him for his committed service to the people of the State and congratulate him on receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 1260)

Officer Michail "Mike" Grizkewitsch III, who assisted Julie Clancy with the delivery of her baby. A healthy 8 lb. 6 oz. baby girl was delivered to Julie Clancy. We extend our appreciation to Officer Grizkewitsch for his continued efforts in helping the people of the State; (HLS 1261)

the Falmouth High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team, the Yachtsmen, for winning the 1998 Class C State Championship, for the second year in a row, with a final record of 20 wins and 2 losses. This is the third year in a row that the Yachtsmen have made it to the state finals. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Coach David Halligan, Assistant Coach Bob Gilman and the entire Falmouth High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team on a job very well done; (HLS 1262)

Cassandra M. Lutts, of Kittery Point, who was the first recipient of the Kittery Citizen of the Year Award. She was very involved in civic matters and served on the Kittery School Committee, the Kittery Zoning Board and the Kittery Planning Board. She was the former president of the League of Women Voters and was active in the Kittery Town Democratic Committee. She will be greatly missed; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1263)

the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Portland, the largest parade of its kind north of Boston, and in extending best wishes to those of Irish heritage and to those who "wish to be" on March 17, 1998; (HLS 1264)

the following members of the Sanford High School Wrestling Team, who won the Western Regionals Class A State Wrestling Championship and who placed second in the State Nate Smith; Frank Clark; Joe Ricker; Nate championship: Andrade, with a career record of 128-17; Andrew Kalman, with a career record of 114-4: Adam Hill: Tim Dumont: Robbie Paveur: Keith Turcotte: Isaac Clark: Rob Levesque; Randy Payeur; Dan Labbe; Aaron Mellon; Greg Givens; Joey Bouchard; Larry Legere; Mike Pierce; Kendal O'Gorman; Derrick Hanson: Matt Payeur; Mike Kepner; Andrew Edwards; Taylor Perreault; Jason Payeur; Connor McCormick; Chris Prime; Jason Howe; Willy Morton: Jay Sargent: Jon Jollatta; BJ Eastman; Christie Orcutt; Dale Metcalf; Coaches Chris Morin and Mark Camire; and managers Abbey Bill, Beth Thompson and Kim Flint. We congratulate them on their achievement; (HLS 1265)

Paul Lessard, of Topsham, who has been named "Chief of the Year" by the Maine Chief's of Police Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1266)

the social workers of this State for a century of helping individuals and effecting social change that benefits everyone. We appreciate the service the social workers offer and look forward to their continuing to provide valuable services in health and mental health, child welfare, aging and other areas that reach all of humanity. We join the Governor of the State in commending all members of this profession and recognize March as Professional Social Worker Centennial Month; (HLS 1267)

John R. Bishop, of Windham, beloved husband of Catherine A. Bishop, and a professional tractor-trailer driver for more than 3 decades. Mr. Bishop was named the Maine Truck Driver of the Year in 1977 in recognition of his spotless driving record and his extensive work as a community volunteer. Mr. Bishop served his community as a dedicated volunteer for over 30 years. He held various positions within the community, including director of civil defense, town councilor and special police officer. He was also in charge of the fire and police traffic control officers and was the official sealer of weights and measures for the town. Mr. Bishop will be greatly missed by his family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1268)

Joe LaChance, who has been named the 1998 Greater Madawaska Citizen of the Year, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1269)

Charles R. Monteith III, of Farmingdale, who is the recipient of the 1998 Principals' Award given by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 1270)

Chief Warrant Officer Four Stephen R. Buzzell, whose professionalism and timeliness saved the life of an injured civilian in Guatemala, Central America; (HLS 1271)

Joseph B. Ezhaya, a 55-year old Waterville businessman known for his enthusiasm and commitment to uniting the communities of the Kennebec Valley. He was a member of the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce, chair of the economic development committee for the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, chair of the People of the Kennebec, co-chair of the Super Park Committee and the chair of the Haines Charity Trust Fund Advisory Committee. He was known as a great all-around guy, wonderful family man and a person who always reached for the stars. He was married for 19 years to the former Carol Jurdak with whom he had 2 children, Paul and Amy. He will be sadly missed by all those who knew him;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1272)

the following members of the Massabesic High School Wrestling Team, winners of the 1998 Maine State Class A Championship: Zenas Gagnon, Justin Fisk, Daryl DeWitt, Aaron Dube, Christopher Rich, Michael Archambault, Jon Smith, Stephen Clegg, Seneca Wilson, Christopher LeClair, Stephen Thyng, Michael Petrarca, Ian Crowley, Jeremy Mead, Kenneth Hall, Jared Archambault, Jared Harvey, Luke Brochu, Owen Brochu, Justin St. Onge, Edward Hernandez, Jonathan Tibbetts and Karl Anderson; coaches Win Phillips, Tom Costello and Craig Cakouros; and managers Misty Richardson and Dawn Gagnon. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1273)

Harvey Bevis Johnson, of Smithfield, who served in the United States Army during World War II, earning both the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He was a respected former member of the Maine State Legislature, having served in the House of Representatives during the 100th Legislature and in the Senate during the 101st, 103rd and 105th Legislatures. He had been the Senate Majority Leader, Chairman of the Executive Council and a special legislative assistant to Governor James Longley. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, colleagues and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1274)

Donna Przystup, of Lincoln, on the occasion of her retirement after 31 years with School Administrative District 67. She was a social studies and language arts teacher with Mattanawcook Junior High School and has been the cheerleading coach for several years. She is a past winner of the "Current Events Teacher of the Year Award." We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1275)

Merle E. Porell of Sanford/Springvale for a lifetime of service to his community and to Kiwanis as a long-time town meeting member and moderator and as a co-founder of the Sanford Kiwanis Free Clinics program; (HLS 1276)

Aaron R. Nile, of Strong, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1277)

Marshall H. Bowden, of Freeport, a farmer and a longtime director of transportation and maintenance for the Freeport public schools. Mr. Bowden was active in the Freeport fire and police departments and was a member of the Maine State Cattle Association. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1278)

Edward Langlois, of South Portland, the executive director of the Maine Innkeepers Association. He was known as the Ambassador of Tourism, and spent much of his life promoting Maine. He first worked in the Liberty shipyards in South Portland, then became one of the first graduates of Maine Maritime Academy before serving in the United States Navy during World War II. He is former general manager of the Maine Port Authority and former general manager of Casco Bay Lines. He served on numerous historical and professional boards and councils and was founder and president of the South Portland Shipyard Society. We acknowledge the dedicated service and commitment he brought to all his endeavors and we extend our condolences to his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1279)

James Burrows, of Kennebunkport, who received a Public Service Award from the York County Firefighters' Association for 35 years of dedicated service with the Kennebunkport Fire Department and for his role as coordinator for the Seacoast Firefighter I and Firefighter II Academy. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1280)

Lori Abbott, Reed Brookings, Michael Cantara, John Chamblee, Jason Crawford, Gary Cushing, Wallace Cyr, Rick Davis, Walt Deskus, Robby Dobson, Robert T. Durgin, June Dusseault, William Dusseault, Lorraine Enos, Paul Fitzpatrick, Chris Fournier, Joseph French, Guy Gosselin, Jeff Gosselin, Chuck Guthrie, Dave Hilton, Jeff Huston, Jon Hutchins, Kyle Kassa, Ben Keating, Peter Kliem, Eric Kliem, Pamela L'Heureux, Jason L'Heureux, Jeanne Labonte, Kevin Lambert, Edward Lambert, Lorene Lemieux, Martin Lancaster, Larry Latulip, Evan McDougal, Karl Pepin, Tim Pickett, Alfred Pimental, Adam Prince, Jason Rowles, Don Smith, James Soucy, David Thorne, Greg Viehmann, Dan Viehmann, Laura F. Bohlmann, Robert C. Bohlmann and Donalda "Joyce" Kelley, and in extending our sincere appreciation for their service with the York County Emergency Management Agency during the ice storm of 1998; (HLS 1281)

the Mt. Blue High School Boys Alpine Ski Team on being named the Class A State Champions. The team includes: Luke Hardy, Jence Carlson, Matt Gopsill, J.R. Moreau, Bud Sinclair, Chad Flagg, Adam Parlin, Davis Oatway, John Beaudoin, Eric Beaudoin, Eric Walker, Jimmy Walker, Cedric Simpson, Joe Hodgkins, Derrick Tyler, Shawn Craig, Tyson Bourassa and Dylan Nickerson; and their coaches Rick Hardy and Mark Cyr. We extend our congratulations to the team; (HLS 1282)

the Mt. Blue High School Girls Alpine Ski Team on being named the Class A State Champions. The team includes Molly Milliken, Jesse Morrill, Jessica Bouchard, Kathryn Downs, Marcy Muller, Monica Hedstrom, Shanelle Lake, Lilah Violette, Katie Lawrence and Brianne Genschel; and their coaches Rick Hardy and Mark Cyr. We extend our congratulations to the team; (HLS 1283)

the Mt. Blue High School Girls Nordic Ski Team on being named the Class A State Champions. The team includes: Caitlin McPherran, Anna Washburn, Andaria Crespi, Liz Elman, Heidi Tripp, Zoe Siegler, Alissa Neal, Amanda Roberts, Lacey Guyette, Martha Yates, Sarah Washburn, Amanda Bitterauf, Hannah Bogar, Sarah Flint, Kate Wegner, Lynette Batt and Megan Caldwell; and their coach Jeff Meserve. We extend our congratulations to the team; (HLS 1284)

the Mt. Blue High School Boys Nordic Ski Team on being named the Class A State Champions. The team includes: Ryan Cook, Zach Pickrell, Matt Gopsill, Dylan Archard, Jon Mellon, Matt Rodrigue, Ethan Bogar, Ryan Hersey, Dylan Antone, Ian Hubbard, Zach Weingarten, Ben Hoisington, Steve Scribner, Seth Neal and Matt Mellen; and their coach Jeff Meserve. We extend our congratulations to the team; (HLS 1285)

Danielle Marie Shay, a freshman at the University of Maine at Orono majoring in speech pathology, who was named the 1997 Miss Maine National Teenager. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Shay on this occasion; (HLS 1286)

Gerald Berube, on the occasion of his retirement as the City Clerk of Lewiston. Mr. Berube, considered the "dean of clerks in the state," has been the city clerk for 30 years. Lewiston is losing a public servant whose "knowledge is an institution." We extend our appreciation to Mr. Berube for his years of dedicated public service and offer him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1287)

Mary Calvert, of Damariscotta, on March 20, 1998, as she is being honored in the State House Hall of Flags in a special ceremony. Mary Calvert is a renowned and respected author and photographer who is dedicated to preserving the history and natural beauty of Maine. She is a strong supporter of the restoration of the historic battle flags and banners in the Hall of Flags. We acknowledge her strong commitment to the historic and natural treasures of the State and extend our congratulations to her on this special day; (HLS 1288)

Adelard J. LaChance, Jr., known as "AJ", on the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated service to the State of Maine. Mr. LaChance has held the position of sergeant of the Bureau of Capitol Security for the past 12 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1289)

the following members of the Lake Region High School Boys Alpine Ski Team, who won the 1998 State Alpine Championship for the 5th time in the last 6 years: Justin Gibbons, Ben Rand, Adam Breton, Nate Stuart, Eric Sirois, Austin Gerber, Sid Doyle, Norm Judkins, Brett Irving, Charles O'Brien, Garrett Powell, Frank Pike, Jake Moore, Rob Corcoran, Josh Zaidman, Ryan Davis, Nick Stuart, Rick LeBlanc, Steve Thomas, Nick Palestini, Coaches Sonny Davis and Jenn Swett. We acknowledge their hard work on winning this event and congratulate them on their victory; (HLS 1290)

the members of the University of Maine Women's Basketball Team on their victory in the America East Conference and as contenders in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I basketball tournament. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team and offer our praise on their superb 1997-1998 season; (HLS 1291)

Cindy Blodgett, of Clinton and a member of the University of Maine Women's Basketball Team, has had an outstanding basketball career. She has set several school and conference records, has been NCAA Division I scoring champion 2 years in a row and her 3,005-point career total makes her 4th in NCAA Division I scoring leaders. She holds the university record for most points in one game, 52, and the most points in a season, 889. She led Maine to its 4th straight conference tournament and was named MVP for the 4th consecutive year. Named to the Associated Press Division I All-American squad as a member of the 3rd team, she is the first University of Maine basketball player to receive this honor. She also received the Outstanding Woman Scholar-Athlete award from the University. We extend our congratulations not only for her athletic achievements, but also for her outstanding scholastic record; (HLS 1292)

the following members of the Maine Central Institute Boys Basketball Team, who won the New England Prep School Championship: Eric Barkley, Brooklyn, NY; Keith Bean, Fontana, CA; Kevin Braswell, Baltimore, MD; Huggy Dye, Indianapolis, IN; Hiro Hirano, Hokkaido, Japan; Will Morris, Pomona, CA; John Oliver, Manlius, NY; Clinton Sims, Paris, KY; Bobby Smith, East Chicago, IN; DeLonnie Southall, Moreno Valley, CA; Aaron Turner, Columbus, OH; Jesse Truman, Lebanon, NH; Shelton Wise, Moreno Valley, CA; Coach Max Good; and Assistant Coaches Troy Cilley and Mark Bass. We extend our congratulations to them on this achievement; (HLS 1293)

Ethel Leach Honey, of Boothbay Harbor, on the occasion of her 95th birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1294)

the following members of the Cony High School Girls Basketball Team, the Rams, who won the 1998 Class A State Championship and were the Eastern Maine Class A Champions: Tracey Frye, Kelsie Bryer, Janet Riese, Natasha Jackson, Melissa Foss, Eliza Nimon, Lauren LaRochelle, Julie Veilleux, Holly Cameron, Laura Lord, Courtney Beer, Carrie Morin, Amanda Dostie, Danielle Whitcomb, Coach Paul Vachon, Assistant Coaches, David Hopkins and Ted Rioux and managers Nick Chasse, David Rand and Dan Dore. The team has demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication on and off the court. Their spirit is to be commended. We extend our congratulations to them on an excellent season and tournament; (HLS 1295)

Sandi Carver, of Beals, a senior at the University of Maine, gold-medal winning athlete and co-captain of the 1997-1998 Black Bear Women's Basketball Team. We acknowledge her exceptional accomplishments in the classroom, on the basketball court and as a leader, and we extend our best wishes to her in all her future endeavors; (HLS 1296)

Philip Roy, of Lisbon Falls, for being Maine's recent recipient of the Purple Heart. While defending his country during World War II, Mr. Roy was captured and subsequently wounded on December, 1944. He was imprisoned at the notorious Stalag IV-B prison camp in Muhlberg, Germany, until June, 1945 when the Allies liberated the camp. In January, 1997, 53 years after his capture, he was presented the prestigious Purple Heart; (HLS 1297)

Gerald T. Mahoney, of Hallowell, a special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation on his retirement after 32 years of service. Agent Mahoney commenced service with the FBI in 1966 and, after service in Philadelphia and Boston, was assigned to the Augusta Office of the FBI in 1973. He served as Senior Resident Agent from 1979 to the present. Agent Mahoney served 10 years as chair of the Hubbard Free Library Board of Trustees and 16 years on the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, including 7 years as chair. He has been active in community work with the Sacred Heart Church and the Hall-Dale School District and presently serves on the Hallowell Conservation Commission and the Visitors Committee of the Hallowell Pre-Release Center. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1298)

the following members of the 1998 Cheverus High School Basketball Team, in Portland, for successfully defending their Class A Western Regional Boys Championship Title: Jon Vincent, Ryan Demers, Jason Robichaud, Jason Baillie, B.J. Schuyler, Angelo Salvaggio, Luke Rivard, Nicholas Judge, Matthew Rivard, Alvin Weisberg, Patrick Clark, John Hoyt, Patrick Morang and Jason Higgins; Coach Gary Hoyt; Assistant Coaches Bill LeBlanc, Derek Vogel and Jon Stovall; and managers Leroy Rand and Matt Harmon. We extend our congratulations to them on their achievements; (HLS 1299)

Mary Frenning, of Northport, recipient of a 1998 Jefferson Award for her dedication and commitment to the citizens of Waldo County. She works in the guidance office at Belfast Area High School and the students there are recipients of her talents and cheer. Ms. Frenning has committed her time to a number of causes, most of them centering around substance abuse issues, literacy, parenting and good family dynamics and student stewardship, such as Encouraging Literacy in the Family, People Affecting Change Together and Teen Assessment Project. We extend our appreciation to her for her committed service to the people of the State and congratulate her on receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 1300)

Esther Morrow, of Eliot, whose years of dedicated service and commitment to the town exemplify the spirit of Maine and its citizens. She served the town as a selectperson from 1995-1998 and was a teacher in the Eliot school system from 1969-1994. She is really a help in keeping the history of Eliot alive and is a great lady and true friend to its citizens. We extend our appreciation to her for her commitment to the people of this State; (HLS 1301)

Lawrence W. Kent, recipient of the Town of Eliot's citizen of the year Fabyan Drake Award. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 1302)

Sheila Lyman, of Livermore Falls, a teacher at Leeds Central School in grades 4, 5 and 6, who is a nominee for Maine Teacher of the Year, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1303)

Sharon Hathaway, of Turner, a teacher at Leavitt High School, SAD #52, who has been selected as one of the regional finalists for the 1999 Maine Teacher of the Year award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1304)

Mary McGrath, a nurse at Brewer High School, who received the Jefferson Award for her role in establishing the Community of Caring Program in Brewer. The example she has set by showing respect, taking responsibility and displaying a caring and trusting nature has made the community of Brewer a better place. We extend our appreciation to her for her committed service to the people of the State and congratulate her on receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 1305)

the following members of the University of Southern Maine Women's Basketball Team, the Huskies, who placed second in the NCAA Division III Women's Championship: Erin Shaw, Susan Ware, Danielle DeGraw, Destiny Demo, Jessica Hopkins, Julie Plant, Amanda Kimball, Angel Elderkin, Mandy King, Ali Hathaway, Kate Hamlin, Tracy Libby, Angela O'Connor, Joanna Brown, Coach Gary Fifield, Assistant Coaches, Tom Murphy, Lori Towle and Jamie Hilton. The team set a single season school record with 29 wins, including 21 straight wins, becoming only the second USM women's team to reach the Final Four. This was the 18th consecutive year the Huskies had won 20 or more games, extending their Division III women's record. We extend our congratulations to them on an extraordinary season; (HLS 1306)

the following Marshwood High School students, who have attained the high honor and distinction of being named as the Top Ten of the 1998 graduating class: Samantha Lott, Patrick Berry, Gerald Hornok, Neil Angis, Seth Harmon, Coby Smith, Melissa Parker, Holly Spofford, Emily Goodnough and Amanda Paradis. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1307)

Henri D. "Hank" Nadeau, of Sanford, a certified public accountant. He coached Sanford Springvale Youth Athletic Association Basketball for 6 years. He served on the board of commissioners of the Sanford Housing Authority and the board of trustees of the Sanford Water District. He was a corporator at Sanford Institution for Savings and was a member of the American Institute of CPA's and the Maine Society of CPA's. He will be greatly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1308)

Brian Gerrity, a sophomore at Maranacook Community School, upon being named First Team All-Conference KVAC Class B and being the leading scorer in the conference with an average of 23.6 points per game. We extend our congratulations to him on these accomplishments; (HLS 1309)

Tony Creek, a senior at Maranacook Community School, upon being named to the All-Academic Team of the KVAC Class B. We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1310)

Greg Creek, a freshman at Maranacook Community School, upon being named to the All-Rookie Team of the KVAC Class B.

We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1311)

Timothy P. Littlefield, Sr. and family, owners of Lucerne Maple Products in East Holden, for their efforts to educate Maine citizens and school children about the Maple Products Industry. We join them in celebrating Maple Sugar Sunday, March 22; (HLS 1312)

Marie Sekera, a volunteer from Eddington, who makes special effort to bring children's theater to area schools and will be honored at the Blaine House as part of Arts Education Advocacy Day. Ms. Sekera received the Bill Bonyun Award from the Maine Alliance for Arts Education for making a significant contribution to the arts in Maine schools and communities. Ms. Sekera is a member of the Arts and Humanities Committee and a member of the Percent for Art Committee. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Sekera for her dedication in ensuring that theater and the arts become a part of area pupils' lives; (HLS 1313)

the members of the Maine State Grange, patrons of husbandry, who are celebrating 124 years of service to and support of the life and spirit of farming in Maine. The members of the Grange took extraordinary measures to protect animals and farm property during the ice storm of '98. We extend our appreciation to the farmers of Maine who responded nobly to the challenge of this disaster; (HLS 1314)

Emily Boss, a student at Penquis Valley High School in Milo, who is the recipient of the 1998 Principals' Award given by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this award; (HLS 1315)

Reverend George W. Hickey, of Hampden. Reverend Hickey served in parishes in the Town of Benedicta and other Aroostook County towns and is now the pastor of St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Hampden and St. Gabriel's Church in Winterport. Reverend Hickey was ordained into the Priesthood with the Roman Catholic Church, Diocese of Maine on June 28, 1973. He arrived at St. Matthews and St. Gabriels as Pastor on July 1, 1989. Reverend Hickey's dedication to the church community has helped both of his churches flourish. He is leaving the pastorate of the 2 churches and will expand his priesthood with the Catholic Church by studying in Israel and the Middle East. We extend our best wishes to him on his new adventure; (HLS 1316)

Seth Harmon, a student of Marshwood High School, who is a recipient of the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 1317)

Patrick Berry, a student of Marshwood High School, who is a recipient of the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 1318)

Arnold Stebbins, of Winthrop, upon his retirement after 35 years of service as a Consumer Safety Officer with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Mr. Stebbins's years of service to the people of the State have been spent ensuring safety of medical devices, food, drugs and blood. He has worked to protect the American consumer in a remarkably dedicated and professional manner. We extend our congratulations to him on his retirement; (HLS 1319)

Barry Davidson, on the occasion of his retirement from Tri-County Mental Health Services after 30 years of public service in the mental health field in Maine. As a teacher, mentor, supervisor and manager at Tri-County Mental Health Services in Lewiston, he has served as a role model for countless young professionals entering the field and has displayed the highest professional standards in social work. We acknowledge his dedication, expertise and commitment and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1320)

Sonya Kazemersky, a student of Traip Academy, who is a recipient of the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations to her on receiving this award; (HLS 1321)

Dennis Estes, a student of Traip Academy, who is a recipient of the Western Maine Conference Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 1322)

Eben Michael Lewis, of Boy Scout Troop #21, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on accomplishing this achievement; (HLS 1323)

Thomas E. Carbonneau, a Rhodes Scholar, who is to deliver the commencement address to the Class of 1998 of Van Buren High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him as he returns to his alma mater to encourage the newest generation of graduates; (HLS 1324)

Eva Leland Burgess, mother to Carl, Gordon, Sumner, Merrill and Reynold, who will celebrate her 101st birthday on May 16, 1998. Mrs. Burgess, who graduated 82 years ago from Foxcroft Academy, received her elementary education in a one-room school house in East Sangerville. Mrs. Burgess has wonderful recollections and stories of growing up in the Sangerville area and one such recollection of attending a one-room school house is documented in the town's local paper, <u>The Eastern Gazette</u>. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to her on her birthday; (HLS 1327)

the tenth anniversary of the Greater Portland-Archangel Sister City Project. The project was founded by 13 Maine communities to promote international understanding and friendship through various projects involving the youth and citizens of Greater Portland, Maine and Archangel-Arkhangel'sk, Russia. We recognize the two cities' efforts to establish social, cultural and economical ties with the intent of establishing a longlasting friendship for the mutual benefit of all. We extend our best wishes for the continued success of their youth exchange programs; (HLS 1328)

Joe Graziano, founder and owner of Graziano's Restaurant in Lisbon. We extend our compliments to Mr. Graziano for 30 years of business, for his continued community support and for his restaurant's famous Italian cuisine; (HLS 1329)

Merrill VintonMiller and Alice Marie Miller, of Mars Hill, on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Miller were married on March 28, 1948 in Monticello. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1330)

Joseph Saunders, of Readfield, for receipt of the "Torch of Liberty Award" from the Anti-Defamation League. Mr. Saunders has personified in words and deeds the noblest traditions in the United States and the Anti-Defamation League, upholding those principles that make our nation strong. The award coincides with Saunders Manufacturing Company's 50th year in Readfield where Mr. Saunders, as President and Chair of the Board, exhibited the qualities that led to this award; (HLS 1331)

Nathan Webb, of Manchester, a member of Boy Scout Troop #622, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1332)

Kay G. Warren, of Rockland, President of GFWC/Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. She has traveled extensively around the State, promoting the work of the federation and her own special project of Breast Cancer Awareness. Her untiring efforts are greatly appreciated; (HLS 1333)

Beth Cunningham, Rebecca Hutchins, Steve Johnson and Conan Marchi, Traip Academy drama students, who have been selected for the All-Festival Cast at the Maine State Drama Festival competition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to these students on their accomplishment; (HLS 1334)

Matt Golter, a student at Traip Academy, who is the recipient of a 1998 Principal's Award by the Maine Principals' Association. Matt has been recognized as the outstanding citizen of the Traip Academy graduating class of 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 1335)

J. Dorothy "Meema" Rousseau, of Eliot, a longtime resident of Eliot. She was active in many civic and community organizations. She was Eliot's health officer for 15 years. She received the Fabyan Drake Award in 1960 and helped organize the Eliot Police Boosters. She was active in scouting and was also an avid football fan. She will be greatly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1336)

the following members of Dennis' Pizza of the Gardiner Youth Hockey Association who won the State Tier III Bantam Championship: Chris Rogers, Kevin McKay, Mike Patrick, Nate Ellis, Kevin Wellwood, Gary Hanson, Josh Bickford, Jon Fairfield, Jared Epperson, Andy Nagy, Ben Brown, Lane Gould, Raymond Jean, Shawn Kelley, Shane Lahale, Jason Brunelle, Coaches Jon Flagg and Shawn Prince. The team is comprised of 13-14 year olds and finished with a record of 35-0. They will represent Maine in the Tier III Regionals on March 20-22 in Rhode Island. We extend our congratulations to them and wish them luck in the upcoming tournament; (HLS 1337)

Gilbert "Gil" Harmon, of Camden, a lifelong resident of Maine, dedicated community servant and devoted family member. Born in Machias, Mr. Harmon graduated from Bowdoin College and settled in Camden in 1936 where he established his successful law practice. He selflessly gave of his time and talents in civic endeavors, including serving as a director of various local businesses and hospitals, as well as the YMCA and the Outing Club. He also took his turn in the leadership of the Rotary Club, the Yacht Club, the Golf Club and the County Bar Association. The Town of Camden deeply appreciated Mr. Harmon's contributions and recognized him as Town Person of the Year in 1991. We, too, acknowledge all these years of committed service and extend our condolences to his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1338)

George Á. Gagnon, of Millinocket, who served in the United States Army in Vietnam on the DMZ Quang Tri, Dong Ha. Mr. Gagnon was currently serving as National Sergeant of Arms of the American Legion. He also served as National Parade Chairman for the State of Maine and served on many national and state veterans committees. He was a past president of the Katahdin Area Chamber of Commerce and served on the Millinocket Town Council. He was employed at Great Northern Paper Co. for 26 years and was a member of Carpenters and Joiners Union. Mr. Gagnon will be greatly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1339)

Pat Fowler, of Castine, on the occasion of her retirement in May of 1998 as the Director of Witherle Memorial Library for the past 17 years. She was instrumental in making the library a cornerstone of the community and was well-known at the regional, state and national levels for her active promotion of libraries and their role in communities, especially in rural areas. We extend our sincerest appreciation and best wishes for a happy retirement; (HLS 1340) the Honorable Lucien A. Dutremble, for 40 years of dedicated public service, including service as a county commissioner, mayor, city councilor, State Representative and as a coach of Little League Baseball. Mr. Dutremble, affectionately known as "Babe" to family and friends, is well-known for his support of youth football and as the owner of a grocery store. We extend our appreciation to Representative Dutremble for his service to his community and his State; (HLS 1341)

Anna Vaillancourt, at student at Thornton Academy, who was named Outstanding Senator at the Student Congress State finals. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1342)

Katelyn MacRae, of Thornton Academy, who has received Honorable Mention in the House, at the Student Congress State finals. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1343)

Eric Basford, a student at Thornton Academy, who has achieved the high distinction of State Champion in the Novice Policy Debate Team finals. We acknowledge the commitment, dedication and skill required to attain such success. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1344)

Joshua Brockman, a student at Thornton Academy, who has achieved the high distinction of State Champion in the Novice Policy Debate Team finals. We acknowledge the commitment, dedication and skill required to attain such success. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1345)

the Rocking Horse Riders 4-H Club of Saco, for their civicmindedness and activism toward clean, safe drinking water as manifested by the club's support for the Saco River Corridor Commission. We extend our appreciation to them for their concern for the citizens of this State; (HLS 1346)

the Saco River Salmon Club, whose efforts at salmon restoration have become a model for the State. The club's mechanical and scientific advances have begun to show results, and the Saco River will once again host an annual salmon run. We recognize the countless hours and resources donated to further the causes of restoration, education and preservation; (HLS 1347)

Elizabeth Sorensen, of Lewiston, who has been nominated to the Academic All-USA Team for Community, Technical and Junior College students. We extend our congratulations to her on this academic achievement; (HLS 1348)

Ralph Edwin Stone, of South Thomaston, a veteran of the U.S. Army, who will be remembered by many for his annual portrayal of King Neptune at the Maine Lobster Festival in Rockland. Mr. Stone, known as "Stoney" to family and friends, was a member of the Rockland Police Department and a member of the Knox County Sheriff's patrol. He was also a member of the Rockland Elks Club and the American Legion; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1349)

Ryan Kenny, of Presque Isle, upon receiving the Future Farmers of America (FAA) Degree. This degree, the highest honor bestowed to members of FFA, recognizes students for their agricultural programs outside of school and their leadership abilities. We congratulate him on receiving this degree and wish him good luck; (HLS 1350)

Scott Boucher, of Presque Isle, upon receiving the Future Farmers of America (FAA) Degree. This degree, the highest honor bestowed to members of FFA, recognizes students for their agricultural programs outside of school and their leadership abilities. We congratulate him on receiving this degree and wish him good luck; (HLS 1351)

Joy Rayburn, of Presque Isle, upon receiving the Future Farmers of America (FAA) Degree. This degree, the highest honor bestowed to members of FFA, recognizes students for their agricultural programs outside of school and their leadership abilities. We congratulate her on receiving this degree and wish her good luck; (HLS 1352)

Scott Caron, of Mars Hill, upon receiving the Future Farmers of America (FFA) Degree. This degree, the highest honor bestowed to members of FFA, recognizes students for their agricultural programs outside of school and their leadership abilities. We congratulate him on receiving this degree and wish him good luck; (HLS 1353)

Emily Smith, of Caribou, upon receiving the Future Farmers of America (FAA) Degree. This degree, the highest honor bestowed to members of FFA, recognizes students for their agricultural programs outside of school and their leadership abilities. We congratulate her on receiving this degree and wish her good luck; (HLS 1354)

John Barlow, of Orland, on the special occasion of his retirement as Fire Chief for 25 years. We appreciate and acknowledge his outstanding and dedicated service to the residents of Orland and the surrounding communities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this retirement; (HLS 1355)

Mary V. Fillmore, of Freeport, wife of former State Representative Merton D. "Bud" Fillmore, a retired telemarketing manager at L.L. Bean, a member of the Church of Christ, in Brunswick, and a loving mother and grandmother. Mrs. Fillmore will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1356)

Alvin Theriault, of Stacyville, upon being named Warden of the Year by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; (HLS 1357)

Allison Lorenz, of Brewer and the University of Maine, who has been named the ECAC Alliance League Player of the Year in Women's Hockey. She is also currently the nation's leading scorer on the University of Maine Women's Varsity Hockey Team. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1358)

Portland Adult Education, the oldest adult education program in Maine, with records dating back to 1849. They are one of 133 Adult Education programs supported by state and local funding. They offer English classes to over 400 students from 53 countries and have enrolled more than 1,000 adults in job skills courses this year. Portland Adult Education had an enrollment of 6,000 area adults this past academic year, with ages ranging from 17 to 82. We acknowledge the valuable work that they are doing and extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued success; (HLS 1359)

Dan Callahan, upon his retirement from the Maine Turnpike Authority. Mr. Callahan was appointed to the Authority in 1992 by Governor John McKernan and was elected Vice-Chair of the Authority in 1994. We extend our best wishes to him on this retirement; (HLS 1360)

James Gross, Sr., of Penobscot, upon his retirement from service with the Town of Penobscot. Mr. Gross plowed snow for 32 years diligently and was Road Commissioner for 15 of those years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement; (HLS 1361)

Doctor Kent John Chabotar, of Brunswick, a scholar, author, educator and administrator, on the 25th anniversary of his classroom teaching. He is the vice-president for Finance and Administration at Bowdoin College. We acknowledge his dedication to his students and colleagues; (HLS 1362)

the Scarborough High School Academic Decathlon team upon winning the Maine State Academic Decathlon for the 9th consecutive year. The team will make its 11th appearance at the national championship in Providence, Rhode Island. Team members include: Crystal Alcott, Colin Becker, Corey Chandler, Mark Donahue, Luke Lunt, Justin Morgan, Joe Murphy, Emily Nester, Adam Waldstein and their coaches Ellen Ross and John Santerre. We extend our congratulations and best wishes upon this outstanding achievement; (HLS 1363)

Thomas M. Teague, of Fairfield, husband of Beverly Haywood Teague, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, Amphibious Force, former dairy and poultry farmer, president and treasurer of Maine Poultry Service, Inc. and co-owner of Teague Distributors, Inc. Mr. Teague was a member of the Fairfield United Methodist Church and was active in several fraternal, political and civic organizations. He was a member of the Maine House of Representatives for 2 terms and a member of the Maine Senate for 3 terms. While in the Legislature, he was appointed to the State Board of Property Tax Review. Mr. Teague will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1364)

Mandy King, of Dexter, a senior at the University of Southern Maine. Mandy was one of 2 seniors who played for the Huskies, which won 2nd place at the 1998 NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Championship. She placed on the 2nd All-Conference Team of the Eastern College Athletic Conference and has maintained a 3.5 grade point average as a sports medicine major. We extend our congratulations to her on her outstanding achievements; (HLS 1366)

Grace McKie, of Springvale, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, February 21, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1367)

Elsie M. McKenzie, of Freeport, former postmaster of the South Freeport Post Office and beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. McKenzie raised 3 children before she began work for the United States Postal Service in 1971. She retired as postmaster in 1983 and will be fondly remembered for her kindness by her many postal patrons, especially the children, and she will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1368)

Helen C. Werner and Max E. Gillette, of Unity, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 10, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them; (HLS 1369)

Ronald P. Guerrette, a lifelong resident of Caribou, who was a well-known area farmer and businessman. He was highly esteemed for his farming and generous nature throughout New England and New Brunswick. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (HLS 1370)

Daniel Coyne, of Millinocket, upon being named Outstanding Elk of the Year at B.P.O.E. Elks Lodge 1521 in Millinocket. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1371)

Carol MacRae, Principal at the Miles Lane School in Bucksport, who has been named Maine's National Distinguished Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. Ms. MacRae received the award based on her commitment to excellence, to high expectations and to firm community ties with parents and local business organizations. Ms. MacRae exemplifies all the leadership characteristics needed to be an effective principal as we move into the 21st century. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1372)

the Mount Blue High School Electric Car Team, which won first place in the national Electrathon race held at the Epcot Center in Florida. The team competed against 2 college teams, 3 corporate entries and several high schools, including 3 national-caliber entries from Michigan sponsored by large automakers. The team's older electric car placed 3rd in the race and the team's cars also took first and 3rd place honors in the judges' design competition. Members of the team include: Teague Adams, Morgan Albert, Ryan Alexander, Ian Brown, Jason Campbell, Craig Coolidge, Eric Goodrow, Susan Hastings, William Hensley, Matt Keene, Jason Marblo, Davis Oatway, Justin Rowe, Wing Szeto, Ryan Tuttle and Tristan Warburg; and their instructor John MacDonald and their technical advisor Gil Riley. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team; (HLS 1373)

Daniel J. Richard, a lifelong Mainer and 40-year resident of Camden. Mr. Richard taught and coached with inspiration and success for 32 years at Camden-Rockport High School. Always contributing his time but never needing specific recognition, he served on town committees and the Make-a-Wish-Foundation Board. Whether as a member of the Goose River Golf Club, a coach, a repairer of equipment or an avid player, Dan loved the game of golf. He will be deeply missed by his community, his foreign exchange students and, most of all, by his family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1374)

Joseph E. Dyar, of Farmington, a member of Boy Scout Troop #500 in Strong, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1375)

Arissa Huyser, who is the recipient of the 1998 Maine Principals' Award by the Maine Principals Association in recognition of her academic excellence and citizenship. Arissa has also been ranked #1 academically in her graduating class at Mount View High School. We extend our congratulations to her on this occasion; (HLS 1376)

John M. H. Barnard, M.D., of Augusta, on the special occasion of his retirement, after 40 years in the practice of medicine in the Augusta community. Dr. Barnard is a legend in many people's lives and he has treated 4 generations of families during his years of service to the community. He has been the medical examiner for Kennebec County, a surgeon for the State Police and a member of the Shriners, Kiwanis, Lions and Jaycees Clubs. He has been very active in sports and has donated time, money and services when needed. This great man will be remembered for his true dedication, compassion and generosity. We extend our congratulations to him and wish him well in the next chapter of his life; (HLS 1377)

Scott Sawyer, of Hampden, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1378)

Dr. Karl Larson, for a half-century of practicing medicine in East Machias. Dr. Larson, who turned 85 on March 21, 1998, is widely known in the Down East region of Maine for his dedication and commitment as a physician to generations of families. Dr. Larson vividly recalls the years prior to development in the area, the many attempts to start a hospital Down East and the days of horse and buggy travel to visit patients with his father, Oscar Larson, who also practiced medicine Down East. He was a first lieutenant in World War II, having cared for countless casualties and, at the end of the war, was in charge of medical care at a prison camp in Czechoslovakia. His wife, the late Betty Larson, was a navy nurse who eventually worked by his side attending patients Down East. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Larson for his years of service to the citizens of our State; (HLS 1379)

Norman and Mavis Byram, formerly of Caribou, now of Belmont, upon the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 3, 1998. Mr. and Mrs. Byram have 3 children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1380) Danielle D. Moreau, of Greene, a senior at Leavitt Area High School, who is the recipient of a 1998 Principal's Award by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 1381)

Alexander E. Landry, of Westbrook, an employee of Central Maine Power Company, a communicant of St. Hyacinth's Church and a member and past president of its Holy Name Society. He served as the treasurer of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, was a committee chair for Boy Scout Troop #87 and was a member of several fraternal and sporting organizations, including the Westbrook and Windham Rod and Gun Clubs, the Lions Club, the Maine Fish and Game Association and the National Rifle Association. He served on several legislative committees for the Associated Sports Clubs of Cumberland County and was active in civic organizations, including the Westbrook City Council, the Westbrook Board of Assessors and the Westbrook Board of Tax Assessment Review. Mr. Landry and his wife, Laura Gagnon Landry, were married for 68 years and were longtime residents of Westbrook; (HLS 1382)

the Moosehead Mountain Bike Manglers, as they get ready for the annual trek across the State that will take them from Sunday River to the Samoset Resort, a distance of 180 miles. The Manglers include Woodie Bartley, Larry Mason, Henry Gilbert, Sandee Dethlefsen, Scott Hersey, Brent Pound, Jenny Ward and Bob Weingart. Last year the team raised \$6,331 for the American Lung Association. The team won the "Friend Team Challenge Award" for 2 consecutive years. We extend our congratulations and wish them success in this year's trek across the State; (HLS 1383)

the Old Town High School Boys Swim Team upon capturing the State Championship for the 14th consecutive year. We extend our congratulations to the team on their victory; (HLS 1384)

Tori Bean, a senior at Old Town High School and a student at the United Technology Center in Bangor, upon winning the Gold Medal at the state Residential Wiring Contest. We offer our congratulations on this occasion and extend our best wishes to him during his participation in the upcoming national competition; (HLS 1385)

Nick Noonan, a member of the award-winning J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, who was named the Best Trombone Player in Division I at the Maine State Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1386)

Kendall Tracewski, a member of the award-winning J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, who was named the Best Drummer in Division I at the Maine State Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1387)

the Old Town High School Chess Team, which placed 2nd for the 3rd consecutive year in the State High School Chess Tournament. We extend our congratulations to the team on this occasion; (HLS 1388)

Zach Gasaway, of Old Town High School, who was named Swimmer of the Meet at the State Boys Swimming Championship. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1389)

Rick Grant, Tonya Grant, Dianna Boisvert and Lynda Pratt for their efforts during the ice storm of 1998. From January 8th through the 18th, these citizens spent long hours of service at the Winthrop High School Shelter. Rick Grant, Tonya Grant and Dianna Boisvert provided logistical support such as setting up the shelter, supervising its operation, establishing sleeping quarters, delivering meals and providing medical attention. Lynda Pratt, who serves as the director of the Winthrop Schools Food Services Program, donated her time to preparing meals as well as assembling the necessary foods and commodities through donations, solicitations and local food banks. We extend our thanks for their time and efforts in helping the citizens of this State during a very difficult time in Maine's history; (HLS 1390)

Carrie Pelletier, for her 12 years of dedicated service to the House of Representatives. Carrie came to the Legislature from Millinocket in 1986 as a secretary to John Martin. In her tenure, Carrie has served 3 speakers, 6 Legislatures and over 900 Legislators while maintaining her bright cheery smile. Her extraordinary ability to do 10 things at once has been invaluable. Her institutional knowledge will be greatly missed. Most people who pass through the Speaker's Office will never know the critical role Carrie plays in its smooth operation. The Legislature's loss is truly Kennebec Valley Technical College's gain. Carrie will be greatly missed by all. We wish her every success in her new position; (HLS 1391)

Amanda Lynn Gifford, of Lee, upon being named Beta Gamma's "Little Miss" for 1998. Miss Gifford plans to use her "Little Miss" exposure to help those who may not have the courage or confidence to participate in the many activities available to children of all ages. Amanda is the daughter of Randy and Candance Gifford. We extend our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1392)

Andrea Pardilla, who has been named Miss Maine Basketball, the highest award in high school girls basketball, by the Maine Association of Basketball Coaches. Andrea set single-season records in rebounds (241) and blocked shots (70) at Old Town High School and broke the school record for the most points scored in a game (35). We extend our congratulations to her on this occasion; (HLS 1393)

the Elan Boys Basketball Team on receiving the Class D State Basketball Tournament "Sportsmanship Award" given by the State Principals' Association. The team finished the regular season with an 18-0 record and were runners-up in the semifinal Class D Basketball Tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (HLS 1394)

the following members of the J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, cowinners in Division I at the Maine State Jazz Festival: Vicki Perkins, Jill Ouellette, Matt Chilelli, Steve Fusselman, Laura Amar-Dolan, Cassie Spencer, Kelly Gilks, Brian Bankey, Nick Noonan, Mitch Wark, Liz Saucier, David Saucier, Renee Thibodeau, Katie Thibodeau, Kendall Tracewski, Andrew Crocket-Carlton, Shannon Cote, Kalle Eko, Hillary Greene and Matt Tyler. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this accomplishment; (HLS 1395)

Matt Chilelli, a member of the J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, who received an Outstanding Musicianship Award at the Maine State Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1396)

Elizabeth Saucier, a member of the J.A. Leonard Middle School Jazz Band, who received an Outstanding Musicianship Award at the Maine State Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1397)

the Family Violence Project, on the occasion of its 20th Anniversary. The project was incorporated in 1978 as the Family Violence Assistance Project with the goals of bringing endangered women and children to safety and raising awareness of the effects of domestic violence on the family and society. The Project has slowly but steadily grown, now covering Kennebec and Somerset Counties. The Project's mission is to create a society in which domestic abuse is unacceptable. After 20 years, the Family Violence Project remains a strong advocate for those in need. We thank the Family Violence Project for all the assistance it has given to the people of this State; (HLS 1398)

Lois Galgay Reckitt, on being inducted into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame. The Maine Women's Hall of Fame is cosponsored by Business and Professional Women of Maine and the University of Maine at Augusta. Lois is the 14th woman to join the Hall of Fame. Ms. Reckitt is the Executive Director of Family Crisis Services in Portland. She has been chair of the Maine Coalition for Family Crisis Services, was the Maine Representative to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence and was a member of the Maine Commission on Domestic Abuse. She has also served on the Performance Council of the Judicial Branch and is currently vice-chair of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. She cofounded the first chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) in Maine and cofounded the state organization of NOW. Her outstanding organizational skills, her personal sense of what is right and her special brand of humor have enabled her to forge alliances with diverse groups of individuals and organizations. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement and thank her for all the work she has done to stop domestic abuse in this State; (HLS 1399)

the 100th Anniversary of the Maine State Court of the Catholic Order of Foresters, a fraternal insurance society open to all Catholics dedicated to religious, charitable, patriotic and fraternal activities and promotions. Through State and Subordinate Courts, the society promotes the development of the individual and the family and supports the Church and the State. We extend our congratulations to the society; (HLS 1400)

the 100th Anniversary of the St. Augustine Court #894 of the Catholic Order of Foresters in Maine, a fraternal insurance society open to all Catholics dedicated to religious, charitable, patriotic and fraternal activities and promotions. Through State and Subordinate Courts, the society promotes the development of the individual and the family and supports the Church and the State. We extend our congratulations to the society; (HLS 1401)

the following members of the Jay Middle School Science Olympiad Team, on their 11th title in as many years: Cole Couture, Sarah Blackman, Lindsey Adams, Jeff Ouellette, Justin Castonguay, Noah Farrington, Lisa Libby, Ryan Ouellette, Melissa Frechette, Philip Gagnon, Kelly Leclerc, Alisa Deane, Laurie Kenney, Hillary Easter, Meghan Paradis and Rachel Gagnon and Coach Ray Chase. The Olympiads won 19 medals in 20 events at the Maine Science Olympiad Championship. The Olympiads will compete on a national level in Grand Rapids, Michigan. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1402)

Charles C. Kent, Jr., of Benton, upon his retirement after 26 years as a Benton selectman. Mr. Kent was road commissioner for 9 years, budget committee member for 42 years and a member of the Benton Grange for 61 years. He also served as a member of the House of Representative during the 101st Legislature, a Kennebec Water District trustee for 15 years, an Elks Lodge member for 28 years and a Siloam Lodge A.F. & A.M. member for 50 years. His dedicated service to the community will be greatly missed. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement; (HLS 1403)

Curtis N. Lombard, a lifelong resident of the Hartland-St. Albans area. Mr. Lombard served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He owned and operated the Lombard Orchards in St. Albans. He was a member and the current master of the St. Albans Grange No. 114. He was a member of the Maine State Grange and served as master for 4 years and was also a member of East Somerset Pomona No. 28 and the National Grange. Mr. Lombard was often seen in the halls of the State House, promoting the causes of the Grange and the Pomologists of Maine. He will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1404)

Patrick J. Belanger and Mona P. Chapman, of Caribou, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 1, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1405)

the MaineGeneral Hospital's Augusta campus, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. In the initial year of the hospital's existence, Augusta City Hospital served 207 patients. The patients came from 14 of the State's 16 counties. In 1923, a new hospital was built to meet the needs of the community. By its 75th year, Augusta General Hospital had grown extensively and a new hospital was built to replace the facility constructed in 1923. We extend our appreciation to the hospital and its staff for meeting the needs of Augusta and the surrounding communities; (HLS 1406)

Benjamin "Jay" Crossman, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop #16, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1407)

Lorraine Greig, of Hartford, for her dedication and hard work as leader of the Bicentennial Committee for the Town of Hartford. We acknowledge the commitment she has brought to this endeavor and we extend our congratulations to her; (HLS 1408)

the Sumner Bicentennial Committee members, and its chairperson, Mark Silber, for the dedication and hard work for the Town of Sumner. We acknowledge the commitment they have brought to this endeavor and we extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 1409)

Lillian Hill, of North Anson, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, April 20, 1998. She has played the piano and organ for many years and has been the organist for the First Congregational Church in North Anson for the past 20 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1410)

Rosemary Henderson, of Hartford, for her dedication and hard work for the Town of Hartford as head of the Hartford Heritage Society and her work for the town cemeteries. We acknowledge her commitment to her endeavors and we extend our congratulations to her; (HLS 1411)

Kathleen Hutchins, Town Clerk of Hartford, for her dedication and hard work for over 20 years. We acknowledge the commitment she has brought to the town activities she has worked on, and we extend our congratulations to her; (HLS 1412)

Katahdin Motors, in Millinocket, on the special occasion of their 50th Anniversary of doing business in the Mount Katahdin area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued success; (HLS 1413)

Donald N. Zillman, upon his retirement as Dean of the University of Maine School of Law. Dean Zillman has served as Dean for 7 1/2 years. Dean Zillman is also Maine's first Edward S. Godfrey Professor of Law. Dean Zillman guided the University of Maine School of Law through the reaccreditation process with the A.B.A., developed a strong working relationship with the University of Maine System, has been instrumental in bringing strong new faculty to the Law School, and has committed the Law School to involvement in the State, to the legal profession and to public service. He is known as an outstanding teacher and legal scholar whose ideas and energy are continually pushing the Law School to the next level of excellence. We extend our appreciation to Dean Zillman for all he has done for the Law School and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 1414)

Jessica Shannon, of Lewiston, who will be among the presenters for the 74th annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Academy of Science. Her research looks at the search for lysis and tail fiber genes in aquatic bacteriophage. She brings honor to her family, high school, community and State. We extend our congratulations to her and wish her luck in pursuing her goals; (HLS 1415)

Alvin S. McNeilly, of Owls Head, upon receiving the Distinguished Engineering Award, the highest honor the College of Engineering bestows. Mr. McNeilly is a 1944 graduate from the college, with a degree in chemical engineering. Mr. McNeilly was noted for the development of new products, including carbon fibers, microcrystalline waxes and jet fuels, as well as new solvents and lubricants. He retired from Esso Standard Oil Company in 1981 as a vice-president of marketing. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 1416)

the 13 communities of the Greater Portland-Archangel Sister City Project on the 10th Anniversary of its founding: Cape Elizabeth, Cumberland, Falmouth, Freeport, Gorham, Gray, New Gloucester, Portland, Scarborough, South Portland, Westbrook, Windham and Yarmouth. The Sister City Project promotes international understanding and friendship through various projects involving the citizens of Greater Portland, Maine and Archangel-Arkhangel'sk, Russia. We congratulate them on this anniversary and extend our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1417)

Robert G. Viles, of North Anson, who had the distinction of being the last Master Log Driver in the Continental United States. He was a veteran of World War II and served in Iceland, England, France and Okinawa. He was a member of the House of Representatives during the 101st Legislature and a Member of the Senate during the 103rd Legislature. He was active in many civic and community organizations. He will be missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1418)

Reginald Walter Edgcomb, Jr., loving father, caring son and friend. Mr. Edgcomb loved to work the soil and took great pride in the crops he produced. He was an active member of the community and gave all he had to help people in need. He will be missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1419)

the Windham-Gorham Rod and Gun Club, on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary. The club has 100 charter members. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the club; (HLS 1420)

Joseph Harlan, of Saco, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1421)

Ryan Davis, of Saco, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (HLS 1422)

the Houlton High School Show Choir, which won the State Division I Show Choir Competition for the 3rd straight year. The Houlton Show Choir has been invited to represent Maine at the National Show Choir Competition in Branson, Missouri. We extend our congratulations to them and wish them luck at the national competition;(HLS 1423)

Robert O. Voight, of Lubec, for his outstanding achievements and public service to the citizens of Washington County as well as the entire State. Mr. Voight founded the Maine Conservation Rights Institute in 1990 and his efforts to promote private conservation of property, public educational outreach, research and information dissemination cannot be measured. He is a business executive, author, publisher, electronics engineer, investment advisor and consultant. We extend our deepest appreciation for the contributions he has made to improving the quality of life of those living in this great State;(HLS 1424)

Stella J. Bouthot, beloved wife of the late Fernand Bouthot. Mrs. Bouthot was in private business for 50 years and did hairdressing in local nursing homes for 20 years. She was active in church, scouting and social and service organizations. She was also active as a volunteer at the MaineGeneral Medical Center, the Volunteers of God Oblate and a member of Volunteers Health Reach. Mrs. Bouthot will be sadly missed by her family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1425)

LaBree's Bakery, on the special occasion of their 50th anniversary of doing business. The bakery was founded in 1948 by Leon "Pat" LaBree and Almond R. LaBree. The bakery is currently under the management of Dan LaBree, Jim LaBree and Bernie LaBree. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued success;(HLS 1426)

Old Town Canoe, well-known manufacturers of canoes and paddles for a century. The company was founded in 1898 by George A. Gray. Old Town Canoe's products are known and sought after the world over. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued success;(HLS 1427)

Dennis Preston, upon his retirement after 27 years with the Department of Parks and Recreation. Mr. Preston worked at Cobscook Bay State Park in Edmunds. We extend our appreciation for his service to the people of the State and wish him best in his retirement;(HLS 1428)

Patricia and John Hale, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 12, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1429)

Marion Healey, of Winthrop, upon her retirement from the Winthrop Area Federal Credit Union after 30 years of service. She co-founded the credit union with her husband, Wayne. The credit union began with 50 members and now has 6000 members. Mrs. Healey is a devoted community member and supporter of education and youth. We extend our best wishes to her on her retirement;(HLS 1430)

Dr. Charles Lyons, for 25 years of dedicated service to the University of Maine System. Dr. Lyons currently serves as President of the University of Maine at Fort Kent. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1431)

Richard S. Cohen, of Augusta, who was a career prosecutor in the State. His 3 decades in law enforcement were a period of steady growth in the offices of state and federal prosecutors. He joined the Maine Attorney General's Office as counsel to the Bureau of Taxation in 1963. In 1965, he went on to create a separate criminal division within the Attorney General's Office and was named its first chief 2 years later. During the 1970s, he was a key player in the revision of the State Criminal Code and in the creation of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. He was elected Attorney General in 1979. He was appointed U.S. Attorney in 1980 by President Ronald Reagan. He was known for his low-key style in and out of the courtroom and had a dry, self-effacing sense of humor. After leaving public office, he served as special counsel to the Passamaquoddy Tribe and later headed a special commission to foster cooperation between the State and its Indian tribes. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1432)

Father Richard Rice and the Holy Family Parish, in Sanford, on the special occasion of the 75th Jubilee of the parish, on September 11, 12 and 13, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes;(HLS 1433)

Veri Abbett, on the occasion of her 104th birthday, March 27, 1998. She is the oldest resident of the Sanford Health Care Facility. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion;(HLS 1434)

ROTC Cadet Robert Jones, of Brewer and the University of Maine, who is the recipient of the American Veterans of World War II Award for Diligence, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him;

(HLS 1435)

Robert and Hazel Russell, of Hartford, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 7, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them;(HLS 1436)

Earl and Florence Turner, of Hartford, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 25, 1997, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1437)

the following members of the Planning Board of the Town of Hartford for their longtime dedication and hard work for the benefit of the town: Kathy Hutchins, Joan Jasper, Ann Kinney, Arthur Harvey and Bill Somors. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1438)

the following municipal officers of the Town of Hartford for their longtime dedication and service to the town: Robert P. Perry, Robert Russell, Sr., Edwin Parsons, A. Franklin Roy, Gordon Abbott, Lee Pettingill, Joan Jasper, Stanley Brown, Albert Adams, Rocky Libby and Linda Rowe. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1439)

the following School Directors for their longtime dedicated service and hard work for the Town of Hartford: Gordon Abbott, A. Franklin Roy, Ken Schuler, Lee Pettingill, Colby Davis, Carol Perry and Virginia Macfarland. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 1440)

the following members of the Hartford Heritage Society for their longtime dedication and hard work for the benefit of the town: Beulah Brown, Gordon Abbott, Gloria Abbott, Rosemary Henderson, Earl Turner, A. Franklin Roy and Barbara Roy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1441)

the following notable citizens of the Town of Hartford for their longtime service and hard work for the benefit of the town: Beulah Brown, Gloria Abbott, Mildred Vashaw, Edwin Parsons, Hazel Russell, Kathy Hutchins, Bob Parsons, Stanley Brown, Mary Houlihan, George Marston and Hilda Beedy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1442)

Marguerite Howard and Barbara Roy, of Hartford, for their hard work for and dedication to SAD #39, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1443)

the following members of the Road and Budget Committee of the Town of Hartford, for their longtime dedicated service and hard work for the town: Robert Russell, Sr., George Marston, A.J. Berry, Stanley Brown, Beverly Murphy, A. Franklin Roy and Robert P. Perry. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1444)

Weatherbee Elementary School, in Hampden, whose 5thgrade Odyssey of the Mind Team won the 1998 State Championship in its division and who will compete in the national championship in Orlando, Florida. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the following team members: Amy Dumont, Jennifer Swalec, Lauren Hartz, Brienne Boss, Chelsea Mooney, Lindsey Piete and Caitlin Churchill; (HLS 1445)

ROTC Cadet Jeffrey Millett, of Brewer and the University of Maine, who is the recipient of the Green Mountain Chapter of the

Reserve Officers Association General Douglas MacArthur Award for academic achievement and leadership. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1446)

Gerald A. and Carol A. Coutu, who have been named the Franco-American Couple of the Year on the occasion of the 18th annual Franco-American celebration sponsored by the Sanford Lions Club. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1447)

Ellsworth Builder's Supply, Inc., recipient of the 1998 Ellsworth Chamber of Commerce Top Drawer Award. We extend our congratulations to Austin Goodyear, president, and all the employees of the company for their excellent service to the citizens of the greater Ellsworth area;(HLS 1448)

the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club on its 30th Anniversary. We acknowledge the club members' countless hours of volunteer work for the benefit of Piscataquis County and we extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion;(HLS 1449)

Albert and June Adams, of Hartford, on the special occasion of their 57th Anniversary, June 10, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them;(HLS 1450)

Malcolm and Hilda Wiley, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 28, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them;(HLS 1451)

Molly VanCampen, of Thomaston, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Georges Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement;(HLS 1452)

Gretchen Knutson, of Cushing, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Georges Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement;(HLS 1453)

Fort Fairfield High School upon its placing first in the Division II competition at the Maine State Jazz Vocal Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for continued success to the school;(HLS 1454)

Andrew A. Curley, a member of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on this achievement;(HLS 1455)

Devin M. Foley, a member of Boy Scout Troop #39 in Scarborough, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Devin on this achievement;(HLS 1456)

Clara Jones Jordan, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, April 21, 1998. Mrs. Jordan has a remarkable memory and enjoys sharing stories of her life and the changes that have occurred during her lifetime. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Jordan on her birthday;(HLS 1457)

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. McKay, of Kittery, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 4, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1458)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Woodman, of Kittery, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 22, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1459)

Eric A. Field, a member of Boy Scout Troop #642 in Harpswell, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Eric on this achievement; (HLS 1460)

the following members of the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club: Craig Watt, Paul Fichtner, Wally Williams, Ralph Perkins, Hutch Gagne, Brian Crossman, Jim Young, Charles Ryder, Gray Morrison, John Bragdon, Stuart Watt, Jim Smith and Kevin McDonough, for helping in the clearing of debris from the ice storm of 1998 and maintaining the snowmobile trails in the Moosehead area. We extend our sincere appreciation to the members for their help;(HLS 1461)

Steve and Lucy Richard, who have been named the Presque Isle Citizens of the Year by the Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Lions Club, Elks Lodge and the Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce in appreciation of their dedication and commitment to their family, careers and community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion;(HLS 1462)

Glen W. Kinross, of Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, President of Rotary International 1997-1998, for his worldwide efforts to curb hunger, poverty and illiteracy, and for his efforts in caring for the local and world communities through his theme, "Show Rotary Cares, For Your Community, For Our World, and For Its People." We extend our appreciation for his humanitarian efforts and offer a warm welcome during his visit to Maine;(HLS 1463)

Bertha Perry, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. We join Mrs. Perry's many friends and family members in celebrating with her. We also celebrate her 66 years as a member of the White Oak Grange, serving as its chaplain for 52 of those years. Mrs. Perry's membership of 42 years in the Warren Baptist Church is an inspiration to her 10 children, 29 grandchildren, 58 great grandchildren and 21 great-great grandchildren. We wish her many more years of happiness;(HLS 1464)

Oliver Goodrich, a junior at Houlton High School, who has been chosen the 1998 Outstanding Male Vocalist at the National Show Choir Festival in Branson, Missouri. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1465)

Richard R. Turner, of Augusta, for his courage and heroism, which earned him the following awards and medals while he served this country during World War II: the Army Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon, the Honorable Service Lapel Button, the Driver and Mechanic Badge and the Marksman Badge;(HLS 1466)

the following top ten graduating seniors of the Class of 1998 at Noble High School in Berwick: Priscilla Potter, Valedictorian; Ericka Leach, Salutatorian; Rebecca Dawson; Christopher Miller; Jacob Pelletier; Melissa Kimball; Eryn Breig; Trisha Place; Amy Manetti and Zachary Fiel. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1467)

Kenneth Hanscom, Director of the Brewer Parks and Recreation Department since 1989, who has been named the Maine Recreation and Parks Association 1998 Professional of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion;(HLS 1468)

Ericka Buckingham, who received the 1997-1998 Adrian Batson Award by the Fin and Feather Club. The award recognizes citizens who have contributed toward the betterment of conservation, recreation or other outdoor activities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion;(HLS 1469)

Alvin Theriault, former District Warden with the Maine Warden Service, who received the 1997-1998 Adrian Batson Award by the Fin and Feather Club. The award recognizes citizens who have contributed toward the betterment of conservation, recreation or other outdoor activities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion;(HLS 1470)

Ruth Chase, of Industry, on the very special occasion of her 100th Birthday, May 13, 1998. Mrs. Chase was born in Industry and is the mother of 4 children: Richard, Ronald, Bruce and Norma. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her on this centennial celebration;(HLS 1471)

Judy Ayotte Paradis, of Frenchville, for her dedication to education and for inspiring people of all ages to seek a highquality education. We also recognize her for enriching and preserving the Franco-American culture through her efforts to promote bilingualism and biculturalism in the St. John Valley. We extend our appreciation to Senator Paradis for all she has done for the University of Maine at Fort Kent and for this State;(HLS 1472)

Richard Leslie Marvel, Jr., who has been named 2nd Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class at Penobscot Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1473)

Michael Roland Houde, Jr., who has been named 1st Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class at Penobscot Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1474)

Rosalie Elizabeth Myrick, who has been named 3rd Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class at Penobscot Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1475) Jessica Ruth Sereyko, who has been named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1476)

Marissa Victoria Doyon, who has been named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Penobscot Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1477)

Edward Kirkpatrick, who has been named 1st Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1478)

Christin Taylor, who has been named 2nd Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1479)

Joshua Pietras, who has been named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1480)

Michelle Silvay, who has been named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Mattanawcook Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1481)

Edward L. and Blanche G. Campbell, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 7, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Campbell on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1482)

Malcolm and Barbara Wilson, of Sidney, on the occasion of the dedication of the High Hopes Clubhouse in honor of the couple's many contributions to the mentally ill. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary this summer, are longtime mental health advocates. In addition to founding the Maine State Alliance for the Mentally III and the Mid-Maine Alliance for the Mentally III, they helped to develop the High Hopes Clubhouse. The High Hopes Clubhouse, located in Waterville, serves as a training center for the mentally ill. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson for their years of dedication and commitment; (HLS 1483)

Nathan Briggs, of Brewer, a member of Explorer Post #10, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1484)

Mrs. Ruth French, of Fryeburg, for her many years of working with young people in the areas of English and reading. Mrs. French epitomizes the excellent teacher. Thousands of young people have the ability to read and write because of her diagnostic skills, her patience and her love for her students. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. French for her dedication and commitment to the youth of our State; (HLS 1485)

Leah Theriault, of Winterville, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Fort Kent Community High School. Leah has been involved in many school activities, including being a member of the National Honor Society, the athletic club and peer tutoring. She is the recipient of the Maine Scholars Achievement Award, the Rotary Youth Award, the Principal's Award and was recognized in <u>Who's Who Among American High School</u> <u>Students</u>. We extend our congratulations to her on her outstanding academic achievements; (HLS 1486)

Jessica Saucier, who earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Fort Kent Community High School. Jessica has been involved in the Student Council, National Honor Society, Key Club, varsity cross-country, Nordic and alpine skiing, Dirigo Girls State and YouthLEAD. She is the recipient of the Dewey Dewitt Academic Athlete Award, the Principal's Leadership Award and the Maine Scholars Achievement Award. We extend our congratulations to her on her outstanding academic achievements; (HLS 1487)

Katheryn Selva, who has earned the distinction of being named Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class of Fort Kent Community High School. Katheryn has been involved in the Student Council, National Honor Society, science club and peer tutoring. She is a recipient of the 1997 Maine Scholars Achievement Award and the United States National Mathematics Award. Katheryn was also recognized in <u>Who's Who in Sports</u> and was selected as a 1997 County Scholars Quiz Show participant. We extend our congratulations to her on her outstanding academic achievements; (HLS 1488)

The Reverend Georges Plante, of St. Sebastian Parish in Madison, on the special occasion of his 45th Anniversary as a Roman Catholic priest. Father Plante, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Plante of Springvale, was ordained in Portland, Maine on May 30, 1953. He has served with compassion and distinction in parishes in Peaks Island, Wallagrass, Saco, Lewiston, North Vassalboro, Ashland, Winslow and Madison. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him: (HLS 1489)

Truman Libby, of Brunswick, on the special occasion of his retirement from the Brunswick School System. Mr. Libby served as Assistant Principal at Brunswick Junior High School from 1975-1981 and served as Principal from 1981-1998. He was also the Acting Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Brunswick from October 1996 until March 1997. We acknowledge his spirit and dedication to the many children of the Brunswick community and extend our congratulations and very best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1490)

Jill Kelley, of Sherman Mills, upon receiving the 1998 Principal's Award at Katahdin High School, where she is a senior. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1491) Roger Hoffses, who has received the Presque Isle Lifetime Achievement Award from the Presque Isle Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, Rotary Club, Lions Club and Elks Lodge. We acknowledge this well-deserved honor for the tireless efforts Mr. Hoffses has devoted to his community; (HLS 1492)

Esther Prince, on her retirement as School Librarian at Henry L. Cottrell Elementary School in Monmouth. We gratefully acknowledge her dedicated service to the children and teachers of the school and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1493)

Granville Lumber, of Holden, as it continues to grow and expand. Established in 1985, the business has grown from 4 to 34 employees and includes Granville Lumber, Ace Hardware and Granville's Grand Rental Station. We acknowledge the hard work and dedication that Ned Jennings, his family and the employees have contributed towards the success of this business, especially in these uncertain business times. We extend our congratulations and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1494)

the Cobbossee Watershed District, the first regional lake management district in Maine, on its 25th Anniversary. The Cobbossee Watershed District, authorized by the Maine State Legislature, is a special purpose district that encompasses 10 towns and 28 lakes and ponds and was formed in 1973 to protect, improve, conserve and manage the lakes, ponds and streams of the Cobbossee watershed. On both a regional and national scale, the District has historically been at the cutting edge of watershed management techniques. We acknowledge the District's excellent work and extend our congratulations on its anniversary and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1495)

CommTel, headquartered in Winthrop, on its 100th Anniversary. Community Service Telephone Co. was created by acquisitions, mergers and reorganizations of the following telephone companies: Monmouth Telephone Co., Lewiston and Greene Telephone Co., Leeds Telephone Association and Mt. Vernon Telephone Co. The first two companies were founded in 1898 and CommTel is now a subsidiary of Community Service Communications. It provides service, in whole or part, to the towns of Vienna, Greene, Leeds, Litchfield, Monmouth, Mt. Vernon, East Winthrop, Winthrop, Chesterville, Fayette, Rome and Wales. We extend our congratulations on the Centennial of this company and our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1496)

Tammy Mae Adams, of Kittery, who has been named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1497)

Victoria Anastasia Stella, of Kittery, who has been named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1498)

Dennis Seaward Estes, Jr., of Kittery, an Honor Student at Traip Academy. Dennis ranks 4th academically in the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1499)

Adam Howard Woodworth, of Kittery, an Honor Student at Traip Academy. Adam ranks 3rd academically in the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1500)

Ceriaco Jerry Mangawang, of Bangor, husband of Helen L. Curtis Mangawang and a well-known chef who retired in 1973. Mr. Mangawang was an avid supporter of the Democratic party and had received numerous commendations from the Maine and National Democratic Parties. He was a member of the Penobscot Valley Country Club and the North Brewer United Methodist Church. Mr. Mangawang enjoyed working in his vegetable and flower gardens; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1501)

Diane Pinkham, of Lewiston, who was named Student of the Year at Central Maine Technical College. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (HLS 1502)

the members of the Central Maine Technical College hockey team and their coach Tom St. Onge, on capturing the NSCAA National Hockey Championship. We extend our congratulations to them on their victory; (HLS 1503)

Chris Woodcock, of Hampden, upon placing first in the Maine Odyssey of the Mind contest. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him for continued success; (HLS 1504)

Ethan A. Stevens, of Bradford, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout. He is the first member of Boy Scout Troop #31 to achieve this honor and we commend him for his many hours of dedication and service to his community; (HLS 1505)

Greg Beam, a student at St. Dominic Regional High School, who captured the honor of becoming the State's top dramatic interpreter in the Maine District National Qualifier Speech Tournament. Greg will represent the State in the national Forensics League's National Tournament to be held June 14th-19th in St. Louis, Missouri. This is the second national tournament that Greg has qualified for this year. In January, he was judged to be one of the State's finest Lincoln-Douglas debaters at the Maine Catholic Forensics League District qualifier. We extend our congratulations to Greg and offer our best wishes to him for success in his upcoming tournaments; (HLS 1506)

Joyce Dudley, of Newport, on the occasion of her retirement after 33 years as a school teacher. Mrs. Dudley served as a long-term substitute for the 4th-6th grades in a oneroom schoolhouse in Etna and taught at Hermon Junior High for 3 years, Heartland Academy Junior High for 2 years, Caravel Junior High in Carmel for 6 years and Warsaw Middle School in Pittsfield for 22 years. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Dudley for her years of service as a dedicated teacher and offer our best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1507)

Jeanne Norsworthy, on her retirement from the New England division of Time Warner after 29 years of service. During her career with Time Warner, she worked with 6 different company owners. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her future endeavors; (HLS 1508)

the Weatherbee School Odyssey of the Mind team upon receiving first place for the State of Maine. Team members include Jennifer Swalec, Caitlin Churchill, Brienne Boss, Lindsay Piete, Chelsea Mooney, Amy Dumont, Lauren Hartz and their coach Cora Swalec. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them for continued success in the Odyssey of the Mind Nationals being held at Walt Disney World in Florida; (HLS 1509)

Tracey Toner, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Windham High School; (HLS 1510)

Ryan Ashley, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class at Windham High School; (HLS 1511)

Noah Winslow, of Mapleton, a senior at Presque Isle High School, who is 1 of 12 national "Tools for Tomorrow All-American Vocational Students." He was chosen after winning numerous state and national awards based on his academic and vocational achievement, leadership and community involvement. We extend our congratulations to him; (HLS 1512)

Jennifer York, of the Eva Hoyt Zippel Elementary School in SAD 1, who has been honored with the Time Warner National Teacher of the Year Award, which is given each year to honor excellence in teaching. There were 400 candidates who were considered, and she is one of 15 finalists who will be honored in Washington, D.C. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her; (HLS 1513)

Nicole Parent, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Deering High School; (HLS 1514)

Jessica Doughty, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Deering High School; (HLS 1515)

Dan Henderson, of Boy Scout Troop #309 in Newburgh, who has achieved the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1516)

Carl Einar Gustafson, of New Sweden, who helped launch the Jimmy Fund 50 years ago. In 1948, Mr. Gustafson was a 12 year-old cancer patient who was chosen by Dr. Sidney Farber to represent every child with cancer. He was nicknamed Jimmy by Dr. Farber; and the money raised to fight cancer was dedicated to the Jimmy Fund. He will be honored at Fenway Park in Boston on May 22, 1998, the 50th Anniversary of the Jimmy Fund. Mr. Gustafson, who wasn't expected to survive cancer, is now a living testimony to the principles of the fund. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1517)

Justin Perry, of Easton, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Easton High School; (HLS 1518)

Ryan Jandreau, of Easton, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Easton High School; (HLS 1519)

Jason C. Lanoie, of Boy Scout Troop #817 in Gorham, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1520)

Bobbi Jo Dyer, who has been named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Central Aroostook High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1521)

Jason Woollard, who has been named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Central Aroostook High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1522)

Andrew B. Plant, of Fort Fairfield, who has been named the top honor student for the 1998 graduating class of Fort Fairfield High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1523)

Amy M. Dubay, of Fort Fairfield, who has been named the second top honor student of the 1998 graduating class of Fort Fairfield High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1524)

the following members of the Lee Academy Math Team, the 1998 State of Maine Class D Math Team champions: Nicholas Shorey, Liane Currier, Katherine Cormier, Hilary Emery, Jessica Read, Joshua Mercier, Aaron Stratton, Lucy Budden, William Bell, Randi Osgood and their coach Catherine Menard. We extend our congratulations to them on this achievement; (HLS 1525) Caroline Wentworth, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Washington Academy; (HLS 1526)

Rachel Cropley, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of East Grand School in Danforth; (HLS 1527)

Melissa Page, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of East Grand School in Danforth; (HLS 1528)

Crystal Cates, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Washington Academy; (HLS 1529)

Randi Osgood, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Lee Academy; (HLS 1530)

Katherine Cormier, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Lee Academy; (HLS 1531)

Stacy O. Stitham, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has been named a Presidential Scholar, one of only 2 named in Maine. This honor is awarded for superior achievements, leadership qualities, personal character and involvement in community and school activities. We congratulate her for her academic and artistic excellence; (HLS 1532)

Melissa Wood, of Scarborough, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her for continued success; (HLS 1533)

Herbert and Natalie Colburn, of Lebanon, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 11, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1534)

Jessica Stevens, of Harpswell, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her for continued success; (HLS 1535)

Heather Bibber, of Harpswell, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her for continued success; (HLS 1536)

Samantha Moore, of Stearns High School in Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being Co-Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1537)

Antoinette Kelley, of Stearns High School in Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being Co-Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1538)

Linda Howard, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has been selected as the 1998 Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year by the Maine Agriculture in the Classroom Association. Mrs. Howard is a multi-grade teacher in SAD #68 at the Monson Elementary School. Her classroom lessons integrate activities such as reading and math into the study of agricultural products. Mrs. Howard also gives her students the opportunity to explore careers in agriculture. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Howard on this occasion; (HLS 1539)

the members and coaches of the Lisbon High School Football Team, winners of the State Class C Football championship; (HLS 1540)

Erica Duval, of Lisbon, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her for continued success; (HLS 1541)

Carol Ainsworth, who is the recipient of the 1998 Star Award given by the Volunteers of America Northern New England. The award is given to individuals who have been nominated for their demonstrated leadership commitment and dedication to grass roots activities that improve the human condition. Ms. Ainsworth is a member of the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club, the Moosehead Lake Region Chamber of Commerce, served on the Greenville Christmas Committee and countless other organizations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on receiving this award; (HLS 1542)

Joshua Nichols, of Hartland, a member of Boy Scout Troop #63 in Newport, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1543)

Emily Marecaux, of Ashland Community High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1544)

Ethan Perry, of Ashland Community High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1545)

Nathan Brown, of Washburn District High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1546)

Jana Lynn Woollard, of Washburn District High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1547)

Marion Soule Berry, on the 86th Anniversary of her graduation from Wiscasset Academy. She graduated in 1912 and has been an astute witness to the events of the 20th century. We acknowledge her longevity and extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1548)

Louise Stickney, on the very special occasion of the 70th Anniversary of her graduation from Wiscasset Academy. She is the first of 4 generations of her family to graduate from this school, joining daughter Blanche Johnson, class of 1954, and grandson Larry Barnes, class of 1976, in celebrating the 1998 graduation of her great-granddaughter Alicia Barnes. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Louise Stickney and her family on this special occasion; (HLS 1549)

Brent Tweed, of Limestone Community School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1997 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1550)

Shawn Edgecomb, of Limestone Community School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1997 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1551) Desirae Michelle Cote, of Limestone Community School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1552)

Amy Lynn Berube, of Limestone Community School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1553)

Maghan Fortino, of Westbrook, who has attained the highest honor and achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1554)

Audrey Fox, on the occasion of her retirement after 22 years of thoughtful, dedicated service to the Town of Eddington, 18 years of which she served as Town Manager. Ms. Fox served the people of Eddington with the patience, tact and wisdom that have endeared her to all. We extend our best wishes to her in her future endeavors; (HLS 1555)

the members of the Hall-Dale Field Hockey Team: Shell Barry, Kim Gray, Erica Webber, Kim Boulier, Christie Montieth, Kim Stowers, Sue Pratt, Courtney Davis, Terry Clark, Lindsey Graham, Emily Garofalo, Kate Lane, Annie Hanson, Angie White, Denise Castonguay, Lindsey Welsford, Jen Clark, Georgia Howe and Rachel Fisher; Team Manager Leah Bynum; Coach Ellen Vickers and Assistant Coach Angie Clark, winners of the 1997 Class C State Field Hockey Championship. We extend our congratulations to them on this achievement; (HLS 1556)

Sarah Guare, of South Portland High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class for her tireless efforts devoted to her studies. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1557)

Carrie Andrews, of South Portland High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class for her tireless efforts devoted to her studies. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1558)

the Unitarian Universalist Church of Sangerville and Dover-Foxcroft and in extending our best wishes as it celebrates its 100th Anniversary. We commend the church in its service to the People of Maine; (HLS 1559)

Gary Osgood, in appreciation of 30 years of commitment and dedication to teaching Maine students, upon his retirement as a teacher at Lee Academy. Mr. Osgood's concern for young people is appreciated by the people of the community and in extending best wishes for his future endeavors; (HLS 1560)

Seth Barden, of Penquis Valley High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Second Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1561)

Emily Boss, of Penquis Valley High School, who has earned the distinction of being named First Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1562)

Kristi Kelly, of Piscataquis Community High School, who has earned the distinction of being named First Honor Essayist of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1563)

Amber Derosa Reed, of Piscataquis Community High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1564) Joseph Deitz, of Penquis Valley High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1565)

Jason Lavigne, of Penquis Valley High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1566)

lan Morrill, who has earned the distinction of being one of the top 3 students of the 1998 graduating class at Greenville High School; (HLS 1567)

Laura Noyes, who has earned the distinction of being one of the top 3 students of the 1998 graduating class at Greenville High School; (HLS 1568)

Linda Christensen, who has earned the distinction of being one of the top 3 students of the 1998 graduating class at Greenville High School; (HLS 1569)

Casey Brown, of Piscataquis Community High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1570)

Georgia M. Hennings, of Farmington, on the very special occasion of her 100th Birthday. The mother of 2 sons, Arlo and Earl, Mrs. Hennings was born in Avon, Maine on June 19, 1898. Mrs. Hennings is a 55-year member of the Grange. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her; (HLS 1571)

Lorraine (Deroche) and Alex Richards, Jr., on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Richards were married by Father Clement Frazier in Madison on July 10, 1948. They have one daughter, Elaine, and 2 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1572)

James V. Nelson, upon his retirement as Headmaster of Erskine Academy. Mr. Nelson has dedicated 17 years at Erskine Academy to nurturing student aspirations, expanding a challenging curriculum and developing within students a sense of responsibility and accountability. We extend our appreciation and best wishes to him for a happy retirement; (HLS 1573)

Doris (Godin) and Eli J. "Pete" Darveau, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Dr. and Mrs. Darveau were married by Father Clement Frazier on June 5, 1948 in Madison. They have 5 children: Richard, Susan, Peter, Jane and James and 9 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1574)

Victor Semenovich Novoselov, Deputy Chairman of the St. Petersburg Legislative Committee in St. Petersburg, Russia, for his diplomatic work that has helped to achieve and maintain better relations between the United States and Russia. We acknowledge his dedication to preserving the ties that have been established between the State of Maine and Russia and extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to him; (HLS 1575) by Speaker MITCHELL of Vassalboro. (Cosponsor: President LAWRENCE of York)

Lindsey Adams, of North Berwick, who is the recipient of the State Youth Essay Competition sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Lindsey is a 7th-grade student at Noble Junior High School and is the 1st student from District 11 of the VFW to win the state competition. We extend our congratulations to her for her outstanding academic achievement; (HLS 1576)

Nicole Luce, of Sidney, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations to her and offer our best wishes for her continued success; (HLS 1577)

Jessica Bouchard, of Woodland, a student at Caribou High School, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian for the 1998 graduating class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1578)

Christina Lavertu, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 1998 graduating class of Madawaska High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1579)

Erik Albert, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class of Madawaska High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1580)

Mildred Obrey, of Eliot, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, June 9, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1581)

Geneva and Laurence Adams, of Bowdoin, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 26, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1582)

Dr. Henry Ryan, on the occasion of his retirement after 22 years of dedicated service as the State Chief Medical Examiner. Dr. Ryan has established a reputation nationwide for his expertise, persistence and outstanding work in the area of forensic medicine and pathology. Dr. Ryan will forever be admired for his honesty and directness in dealing with organizations and individuals. We appreciate his dedication to the State and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 1583)

the Winthrop Rotary Club, for 50 years of service and commitment to the Winthrop area. The Winthrop Rotary Club promotes the international motto of world peace and understanding and its members are well-known for their community projects, scholarships to graduates and commitment to youth. We extend our congratulations to the Winthrop Rotary Club on this occasion; (HLS 1584)

Janice Durham, of Augusta, on the occasion of her retirement after 11 years as a Legal Proofreader in the nonpartisan staff office of the Revisor of Statutes. Her attention to detail, dedication to her work, good humor and effervescent personality made her a valued asset to the office. Additionally, Janice has been active as a church soloist and member of the choir of the South Parish Congregational Church. We extend our appreciation to Janice for her years of service and offer her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1585)

the Chamber Singers of Camden-Rockport High School and its director, Kim Murphy, on being named the Outstanding Choral Ensemble of the Heritage Festival in Montreal, Canada. We extend our congratulations to the ensemble on this significant achievement and fine representation of our State in international competition; (HLS 1586)

the members of the Camden-Rockport High School Concert Band and their director, Nancy Rowe Laite, upon their receiving the Number One rating and Gold Award in the A Division at the Heritage Festival in Montreal, Canada in May 1998. We extend our congratulations to them for their achieving a high level of excellence through hard work and for their representation of our State in international competition; (HLS 1587)

Brenda S. Richardson, on the occasion of her retirement after serving the citizens of Rockport with objectivity and dedication as their Town Clerk and Office Manager since March 21, 1968. Brenda has diligently served 4 town managers and has served as Interim Town Manager. Combining considerable familiarity with regulations and human nature with her intense desire to help, she has listened to, validated and solved problems for all seeking her help. Her enthusiasm for her job has benefitted the whole community. We extend our sincere appreciation to her for her 30 years of service to Rockport and offer our congratulations to her on her retirement from what she considered "the best job in town": (HLS 1588)

Christine J. Barcomb, of Kittery, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations to her and offer our best wishes for her continued success; (HLS 1589)

Holly M. Gibbs, of Kittery, upon receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. We extend our congratulations to her and offer our best wishes for her continued success; (HLS 1590)

Robert and June Perry, of Hartford, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them; (HLS 1591)

Lorraine Parsons, of Hartford, for her many years of service and hard work for the benefit of the Town of Hartford and the Hartford Heritage Society. We acknowledge her dedication and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1592)

Dr. Ruth Anderson, Professor of Education at the University of Maine at Presque Isle, who is retiring after 26 years of dedicated service. She was the first woman in the State of New Jersey to earn a degree in industrial arts and later entered the elementary education field prior to pursuing her graduate degrees. Dr. Anderson came to Presque Isle in 1972 and has instilled a passion for teaching among her students. Her commitment to the classroom is equal to her commitment to her community and she is a well-known figure as a volunteer in Fort Fairfield. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to her; (HLS 1593)

E. Stanley Wilt, of Greenville, on the occasion of his 90th birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion; (HLS 1594)

Phyllis MacDonald, of Greenville Junction, on the occasion of her 80th birthday. Mrs. MacDonald, a mother and grandmother, volunteers at various organizations in Greenville Junction. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion: (HLS 1595)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Caldwell, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1596)

Brad W. Gaumont, of Boy Scout Troop #310 in Saco, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1597)

Sergeant Mark Phillips' 21 years of dedicated service to the Brunswick Police Department. The citizens of Brunswick and the State of Maine are very proud of Sergeant Phillips. He has been highly decorated over the years and, after heroically saving a baby in a fire, he received an award for bravery from the Maine Police Chiefs' Association. He was also named Law Officer of the Year by the American Legion in 1996. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him; (HLS 1598) Paul Rowe, of South Freeport, an artist well known for his paintings depicting scenes of the Freeport area. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends;(HLS1599)

the Freeport Fire Department on the occasion of its 100th anniversary in "Protecting the Birth Place of Maine." We extend our appreciation to the department for its dedicated service to the citizens of Freeport;(HLS1600)

the crew of the USS Malabar AF-37, who served this country during the ship's 10 years of naval service. The crew will meet in Portland from June 26th to June 29th for its annual reunion. The USS Malabar was commissioned to active service on March 8, 1945 and provided frozen food and provisions to the fleet in the Pacific during World War II. The ship's function was critical to our country's success during that time and we wish to acknowledge and thank all who served aboard her. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the crew as it gathers to celebrate this reunion;(HLS1601)

John and Susie Grass, of Blaine, upon the special occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 23, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them;(HLS1602)

the Presque Isle Rotary Club for its 75 years of service to the City of Presque Isle. The Rotary Club has a proud tradition of championing worthy causes and giving local business leaders an opportunity to help their community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the Presque Isle Rotary Club on this occasion;(HLS1603)

Willis and Barbara Lord, of Waterboro, for dedicating over 50 years of their lives to public service in the State. Willis participation in his numerous positions and organizations would not have been possible without Barbara's endless support. Willis served in the House of Representatives and the Senate for 12 He also served as a Waterboro selectman, road vears. commissioner, member of the Waterboro School Board, SAD 57 Director, town meeting moderator, deputy chief of the Waterboro Fire Department, member of the finance committee, member of the road review committee and as Maine's Executive Director of the USDA's Agricultural Stabilization Conservation Services. We extend our appreciation to Willis and Barbara for contributing so much of their time and energy to the people of Waterboro and the entire State;(HLS1604)

the Camden-Rockport High School Baseball Team under the fine direction of Coach Chuck Medrano and Assistant Coaches Jim Peck and Steve Tricomi, upon winning the Eastern Class B Baseball Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members and coaches of the team on their excellent 1998 baseball season;(HLS1605)

James Finneran, a student at Traip Academy, who placed first in the javelin competition at the Class C Regional Track Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS1606)

Timothy Estes, a student at Traip Academy, who placed first in the triple jump competition at the Division II Western Maine Conference Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS1607)

Rebecca Flohr, a student at Traip Academy, who placed first in the high jump at the Division II Western Maine Conference Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement;(HLS1608)

Chad Shawver, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the Western Maine Conference Class C All Star Baseball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS1609) Kevin Guay, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the Western Maine Conference Class C All Star Baseball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS1610)

Sarah Varney, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the Western Maine Conference Class C All Star Softball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement;(HLS1611)

Michael Cibroski, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the Maine Shriners Football Lobster Bowl as a defensive back. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS1612)

Sonya Kazemersky, a student at Traip Academy, who has been named to the Western Maine Conference Class C All Star Softball Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement;(HLS1613)

Raymond and Vera Cullins, of Easton, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 23, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them;(HLS1614)

Thomas and Florence Johnson, of Castle Hill, on the special occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, October 21, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them;(HLS1615)

Stephen M. Johnson, of Rockland, on his retirement after 25 years of service as a Police Officer for the Rockland Police Department. Mr. Johnson joined the department in 1973. During his long and dedicated career in Rockland, he received an injury from gunshot wounds while on duty. He recovered and continued to serve and protect our citizens. He has earned a reputation for fairness by showing respect to others throughout his career. We wish him well in the future and thank him for his long service to the community;(HLS1616)

Ray Chelewski, upon receiving the Walt Disney Teacher of the Year Award. Mr. Chelewski is an Agrisciences and Natural Resources Instructor and founded the Presque Isle Regional Center School Farm. The school farm has developed into a nationally recognized program that is one of the most successful agricultural schools in New England. The school farm program now has over 200 active students in a city of 11,000 people. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Chelewski on this occasion;(HLS1617)

Erica Page, a student at Ellsworth High School, who received the National Youth Service Award. Ms. Page is the only Maine student to receive the award this year and is one of only 20 students in the nation to be so honored. She is the team leader for the Peer AIDS Education Team at Ellsworth High School. She has helped with fund raising for the AIDS education program and has visited other schools to talk about AIDS. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on receiving this award;(HLS1618)

Philip and Alice Spear, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS1619)

J. Terry Plunkett, of Hallowell, a widely published poet and literary critic. Mr. Plunkett, who had his Ph.D in English literature, taught American literature and a variety of humanities courses at the University of Maine at Augusta and was the editor of "Kennebec: A Portfolio of Maine Writing." He was educated at the University of Notre Dame and the University of Minnesota. He enjoyed traveling and spent time in western Europe, Ireland, North Africa, Pakistan, India, Nepal and Mexico. Mr. Plunkett will be sadly missed by his family, friends and colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS1620) Harry Sylvester, of Albion, who has been elected president of the Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA). Mr. Sylvester is the only person from Maine holding a national LDA office and is the first person with learning disabilities to head the organization. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment;(HLS 1621)

the Ashland Community High School Boys Baseball Team, who have won the 1998 Class D State Championship, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them;(HLS 1622)

the Ashland Community High School Girls Softball Team, who have won the 1996 Class D State Championship, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes;(HLS 1623)

Joan St. Amant, on the occasion of her retirement from MSAD #27 after 25 years of service. Joan St. Amant graduated from the University of Maine at Fort Kent in 1967 and taught in both Caribou and MSAD #27 school districts. During her career she taught language arts and self-contained grade 3 and participated in the Head Start Program. Joan St. Amant has touched the lives of many children and her personal style of teaching will be greatly missed. We extend our best wishes to her in her future endeavors;(HLS 1624)

Eldon Pelletier and Rudy Pelletier, of Millinocket, recipients of the 1998 Outstanding Loggers of Maine Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement;(HLS 1625)

Emily Nesensohn, of Tenants Harbor, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, July 14, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion;(HLS 1626)

Clayton and Joyce Blackstone, of Perham, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Blackstone were married on December 30, 1947. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1627)

Gwendolyn A. (West) and Donald B. Turner, of Castle Hill, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 23, 1998. Mr. and Mrs. Turner raised 9 beautiful children, 7 daughters and 2 sons. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1628)

Ethan Perry, of Boy Scout Troop #179 of Ashland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment;(HLS 1629)

Gabriel J. Haines, of Boy Scout Troop #179 of Ashland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this accomplishment;(HLS 1630)

the Mayor and the citizens of Telford, England. We extend our greetings and sincere appreciation to them for their hospitality to the students from the State of Maine. We recognize the City of Telford's and our students' efforts to establish social, cultural and economic ties to build a long-lasting friendship for the mutual benefit of all;(HLS 1631)

the Mayor and the citizens of Dublin, Ireland. We extend our greetings and sincere appreciation to them for their hospitality to students from the State of Maine. We recognize the City of Dublin's and our students' efforts to establish social, cultural and economic ties to build a long-lasting friendship for the mutual benefit of all;(HLS 1632)

Roy Perry, of the United States Small Business Administration in Maine, upon his retirement after 33 years of faithful service. He became District Director for Maine due to his exceptional skills and outstanding performance. Roy has been recognized by federal and state agencies as having been a key player in economic and business development efforts in the State of Maine, always guided by the highest standards. We acknowledge his many years of dedicated service and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1633)

Stephen Gallant, of Rumford, who has devoted over 3 decades to serving his community. People will remember his jolly smile as he transformed into Santa every year. His involvement in the Leparesseux Snowshoe Club is unparalleled, whether raising money or organizing an event for the handicapped citizens. Mr. Gallant also served as president of the local union, the American Union and the International Union. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Gallant for his years of dedicated service to his community;(HLS 1634)

the Kittery Youth Connection Center, which is sponsored by the Kittery Chemical Awareness and Prevention Association. The Kittery Youth Connection Center was established as a drugfree safe haven for children. The center has provided numerous after-school and summer activities and programs for children in the area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Kittery Youth Connection Center for its worthwhile endeavors and offer our best wishes for its continued success throughout the coming years;(HLS 1635)

Donald and Eunice Leighton, of Brewer, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 23, 1998. Mr. and Mrs. Leighton have 2 children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1636)

Gerald and Evelyn Dalton, of Nobleboro, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, July 16, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1637)

Faye M.Taylor, of North Anson, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, August 1, 1998. Ms. Taylor was born in Dead River, now known as Flagstaff. She was a school teacher for nearly 40 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion;(HLS 1638)

Ret. Captain Michael J. Luosey, a veteran of the U.S. Navy who was awarded numerous medals and decorations including the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, which he was one of only two commanders in history to receive. During his military service, he was the commander of the USS Spooston, the USS Caloosahachee and the USS Bordelon. He was the first US Naval officer sent to Korea at the start of the Korean War, when, serving as deputy commander of Naval Services Far East, he commanded the Korean Navy, founded the Korean Marine Corps and ran the Inshore Blockade and Escort Force. After his distinguished naval career, Mr. Luosey moved to Hallowell and served as the Executive Vice-President of the Augusta Chamber of Commerce and later served as the City Manager of Hallowell and as Director of the American Red Cross in Augusta. Mr. Luosey enjoyed membership in church and community organizations and will be sadly missed by his many friends and family members; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1639)

the Mark and Emily Turner Memorial Library, formerly known as the Presque Isle Public Library, on the occasion of its 90th Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the staff and patrons of the library as they celebrate "From Horse and Carriage to the Computer Age";(HLS 1640)

Jenny Reynolds, who has been honored by the Fort Fairfield Chamber of Commerce, the Fort Fairfield Housing Authority and the Town of Fort Fairfield for her important contributions and dedication to the residents of Fort Fairfield. Her efforts as a tireless volunteer spending her time helping others are greatly appreciated by her community. We extend our congratulations to her on this occasion;(HLS 1641) Leon B. "Bink" Miller, who was very active in his community. Mr. Miller was a veteran of the United States Army, having served during the Korean War. He worked for SAD #6 in Buxton for 15 years and was captain of the Steep Falls Fire Department. He enjoyed the Maine outdoors and was also an avid CB radio user. Mr. Miller was an accomplished guitarist and had worked with several notable musicians. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1642)

Ernest and Emily St. Amant, of Madawaska, on the occasion of their 75th Wedding Anniversary, August 29, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1643)

Thomas and Christine Howard, of Milo, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 20, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1644)

Laura Geddes, holder of the Boston Post Cane for Monroe, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday on August 5, 1998. She is a retiree of the U.S. Navy, having held the rank of Commander, and is one of the first women to achieve the rank of Lieutenant Commander during her tenure as an officer with the Eastern District of the WAVES for the New England area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her birthday;(HLS 1645)

Fred Dingley, of Lee, on the occasion of his 90th birthday, August 19, 1998. Mr. Dingley was a longtime educator, was Headmaster of Lee Academy and was also a published author of poetry. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion;(HLS 1646)

the MacCrillis-Rousseau VFW Post #8835, of Winslow, on its 52nd Anniversary, December 29, 1998. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the Post for their outstanding service to veterans and to the community, truly honoring the dead by helping the living;(HLS 1647)

the 51st Anniversary of the incorporation of the Ladies Auxiliary to the MacCrillis-Rousseau VFW Post #8835, of Winslow. The Ladies Auxiliary was incorporated March 27, 1947. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1648)

Hollis Weaver, of Washington, on the occasion of his 85th birthday, August 4, 1998. Mr. Weaver has been a member of the Evening Star Grange for 70 years and worked for the Department of Transportation for over 28 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion;(HLS 1649)

Melissa Babin, of Fort Fairfield, on being crowned 1998 Maine Potato Queen on July 18th. It is the first time in 12 years that the event was won by a woman from Fort Fairfield. Ms. Babin is the daughter of the Reverend Mark and Claudette Babin. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement;(HLS 1650)

Alvine Creamer on her retirement after 24 years of state service. She held positions in the Augusta Mental Health Institute, the Department of Labor, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, the Department of Corrections and the Department of Education. We thank her for her dedicated service to the State and extend our best wishes to her in her future endeavors;(HLS 1651)

Frances Pentlarge, of Hallowell, whose tragic death has saddened family and friends. Mrs. Pentlarge, the mother of 5 children, was a cofounder of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays in Maine. She was the recipient of the F.E. Pentlarge award named in her honor by The Maine Lesbian and Gay Political Alliance in recognition of her dedication to justice and equality for Maine's lesbian and gay citizens; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1652)

the students and instructors from Germany and Luxembourg on their visit to Maine and their participation in "Maine State Government in Action" on August 6, 1998 as part of the Project Harmony "Focus America" program. We offer our best wishes to the participants on this occasion and extend a warm welcome as they tour our State;(HLS 1653)

Edward Lee Rogers, a lawyer who devoted much of his legal career to environmental issues. Mr. Rogers, the husband of Ailene Kane Rogers, was an avid outdoorsman and environmentalist. During the early 1970s, he resided in Maine and held several jobs including Assistant Attorney General for the State's environmental protection division. He moved to Washington, D.C. where he served as general counsel of the Environmental Defense Fund and as the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works during President Carter's administration. More recently, he was serving as legal counsel to the Town of Pittston in its efforts to intervene in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's review and siting of the proposed natural gas pipeline in Central Maine; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1654)

Adrien R. Demers, of Sanford, a longtime member of the Sanford Call Firefighters Association who retired with the rank of captain. He was employed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1938 and later was employed by the State Highway Department, retiring in 1984 after 33 years of dedicated service to the department. After his retirement from the highway department, he was employed by Westcott Ford as a parts runner and utility driver until 1997. Mr. Demers was a volunteer at the former Camp Waban outlet store and was a communicant of St. Ignatius Church. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1655)

H. Robert and Hazel M. Keezer, of Eastport, on the occasion of ther 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 16, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1656)

John F. Farnham, for his years of dedication to and unrelenting advocacy of funeral services in the State. During his many years as Inspector and Complaint Officer for the Maine State Board of Funeral Service, John set high standards of compassion and cooperation among funeral service practitioners and the families they serve. Because John and his wife Luella are exemplars of integrity and strength in service, they have served as an inspiration to all who know them. We thank John and Luella for all they have done and wish them the best in future endeavors;(HLS 1657)

the Town of Clifton on the occasion of its sesquicentennial celebration, August 8, 1998. We extend our appreciation and best wishes to the Clifton Historical Society and to the many dedicated volunteers who have worked so diligently to make this day so special for the citizens and friends of Clifton;(HLS 1658)

Donat Boucher, who was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart with 2 oak leaf clusters and the World War I Victory Medal with 3 clasps: the Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne. Mr. Boucher, formerly of St. Agatha, joined the Maine Army National Guard in 1917, which shortly thereafter mobilized for World War I, with Company M of the Second Maine Infantry, the 103rd Infantry of the 26th Division. Mr. Boucher participated in some of the most bitter engagements of the war and was wounded in action 3 times. Doris Morneault accepted the awards on behalf of her deceased father;(HLS 1659)

Doris McKee, upon the celebration of her 97th Birthday. Mrs. McKee was born on August 31, 1901 in Gardiner. She is a

member of the Smyrna Mills Methodist Church and enjoys knitting, crossword puzzles and reading her Bible. Mrs. McKee and her late husband, Vern, have 6 children, 18 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 9 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this momentous occasion;(HLS 1660)

Jacob E. Marden, of Boy Scout Troop #443, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1661)

William Berry, Jr., of Cousins Island, Yarmouth, on the special occasion of his retirement from the United States Coast Guard Reserve after 35 years of duty. We acknowledge his dedicated service and extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him;(HLS 1662)

Nema Slate Smith, of Camden, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, June 3, 1998. Mrs. Smith was born in Sladeville, Shelburne County, Nova Scotia and moved to Camden in 1929 with her late husband, William Murray Smith. In her 69 years of residence in Maine, she worked until her retirement at the age of 80 and has actively participated in church activities. Mrs. Smith still proudly keeps her own home on Thomas Street. We extend our congratulations to her on this centennial birthday and wish her many happy years to come;(HLS 1663)

the following players, manager and coaches of the Augusta West 11 and 12-year-old All Star Little League Team, who have won the 1998 Maine State Little League Championship after an undefeated tournament season and who represented Maine in the Eastern Regional Tournament in Bristol, Connecticut achieving an outstanding 3-2 record: Jake Albert, Ben Bozeman, Ian Dumont, Joey Jones, Jim Mayo, Mark McElmurry, Adam Normandin, Andy Peterson, Jon Rutt, Greg Sousa, Charlie Taylor, Adam Vachon, Mike Vallee, Miles Whitlock and Manager Ray Vallee and Coaches Tom Whitlock and Norm Rutt. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement;(HLS 1664)

Joan Carroll, beloved Principal of the Park Street and Cousens Schools, on the occasion of her retirement and the beginning of her globe-trotting expeditions. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her;(HLS 1665)

Wilfred and Betty Messer, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 1998. We extend our congratulations to them on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1666)

Hartley Lord, affectionately known as "Mr. Kennebunk Beach," who touched us with his humor and joy of life. He will be sadly missed by his family, the "Chowder and Marching Society" and his extended Kennebunk family;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1667)

Michael Kita, Physician and Senior Medical Director at UNUM, whose zest for running, a good laugh and life inspired us all. He will be sadly missed by his wife Jeanne, his daughter Rebecca, his son Jonathan and his extended Kennebunk family; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1668)

Laura Mae Pellitier, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday. She graduated from the Normal School in Fort Kent and taught in Allagash and Daigle. Mrs. Pellitier was actively involved in the Ladies of St. Anne and Goldstar Mothers. She and her husband Willie had 6 children. We honor Mrs. Pellitier for her many years of dedication to her family and community and extend our congratulations and best wishes for health and happiness;(HLS 1669)

William H. Wright, of Woolwich, a Brunswick businessman, community leader and a veteran of the 221st Signal Brigade in

Vietnam. Mr. Wright was a founder and past chair of the board of directors of Missing and Lost Maine Associated Children, Inc., an organization in which both he and his wife, Pamela, were very supportive. He was also very involved in legislation dealing with children. Mr. Wright was a member of the American Legion, the Brunswick Lodge of Elks, the Amvets and Disabled American Veterans. He will be sadly missed by his family and his community; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1670)

Olena Ria M. Cross, of Augusta, beloved wife of 71 years to former Governor Burton M. Cross. Mrs. Cross will be long remembered for her love of people and her leadership in numerous community and social service organizations, especially for her participation in St. Mark's Home for Women, a project she worked on for many years. Mrs. Cross also helped her husband to establish Cross Flowers, a business they initally operated from their home. Mrs. Cross will be sadly missed by her family and the many friends she made throughout the years; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1671)

Theresa M. Begin, beloved wife, loving mother, grandmother, sister and friend. Mrs. Begin, of Winslow, worked as a barber alongside her husband, Roland, for the past 39 years. She was a communicant of St. John the Baptist Church and served as a lector for many years. She also worked as a volunteer for the church's annual Christmas fair, baking her famous breads and making wreaths. Mrs. Begin was a past member of the Winslow Town Council and was a well-known contributor to the People's Voice in the local newspaper. She will be remembered by many for her sense of humor and caring manner; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1672)

Rusty and Ruth Cooper, of Buckfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 6, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Cooper on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1673)

the following members of the Monmouth Girls Softball Team, winners of the East-West League Softball Championship with a 17-2 record, the Western Maine Class D Softball Championship and the State Class D Softball Championship: Jen Black, Christy Howard, Missy Jones, Georgia Riggs, Angela Rioux, Tessie Gray, Liz Thibodeau, Abby Saunders-Carter, Faith Flannery, Sierra Grant, Nicole McKenzie, Megan McLaughlin, Leticia Palleschi, Jessica Prince, Michelle Ramiller, Lisa Hasch, Megan Jackson, Katie Mulcahy and Monica Sirois, managers Wendy Dunn and Rachel Ellis, coach Rachel Bernier and assistant coaches Martha Rynberg, Amanda Riggs and Jen Howard. We extend our best wishes to the team on its spectacular season; (HLS 1674)

the following students of Monmouth Academy's Future Problem Solver's team, who have won the Senior Division of the Maine State Future Problem Solving Program, and who went on to participate in the International Conference, in Ann Arbor, Michigan: Jesse Kahl, Diana O'Donnell, Leah Kolenda and Elisabeth Thibodeau. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on their accomplishments;(HLS 1675)

Anita B. Deveau, of Van Buren, who worked as a social worker for various social agencies, and who will be missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1676)

Carroll C. Moir, of Millinocket, longtime prominent member of the business community. He was a member of numerous social and service organizations and was owner and operator of K & M Motors, Inc. since 1983. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1677)

Benjamin H. Hubert, of Pittston, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1678) Bill and Wilma Wheeler, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 19, 1948, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them;(HLS 1679)

Edwin and Jenny Cromwell, of Westport, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Cromwell on this special anniversary;(HLS 1680)

Clayton and Irva Hinds, of Eliot, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 16, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and very best wishes to them;(HLS 1681)

Mikeal Joel McAtee, of Connor and Caribou, who served in the United States Army during World War II and who was a life member of the Lister-Knowlton Post #9389 Veterans of Foreign Wars. He had been employed by several area potato growers and had also worked as a construction worker, carpenter, iron worker and as Superintendent for Rathburn Lumber Company. Mr. McAtee exemplified the positive traits of the human spirit after an accident disabled him. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1682)

The Most Reverend Joseph J. Gerry, O.S.B., Ph.D., Bishop of Portland, on the 50th Anniversary of the pronouncing of his first vows of church service in the Benedictine order. Bishop Joseph was born in Millinocket and entered the Benedictine community on July 2, 1948. He made his solemn or lifelong vows in 1951, was ordained a deacon in 1953, ordained as a priest in 1954 and was elected third abbot of Saint Anselm Abbey in Manchester, New Hampshire in 1972. Bishop Joseph was named titular Bishop of Praecausa and Auxiliary Bishop of Manchester by Pope John Paul II and was installed as tenth Bishop of Portland in 1988. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of his religious profession;(HLS 1683)

Ulmer F. Coy, upon receiving the Boston Post Cane as Poland's eldest citizen. Mr. Coy is 92 years old and was born on January 14, 1906. The citizens of Poland are proud to call Mr. Coy their own and, together with citizens throughout the State, we extend our best wishes to Mr. Coy for continued good health;(HLS 1684)

Eddie and Vera Dyer, on the occasion of their 50th anniversary as owners of the Sail Inn Restaurant in Prospect, Maine. In 1947, while still in high school, Eddie bought the Sail Inn Restaurant. Eddie, his wife Vera and their six children have run the restaurant for 50 years. The restaurant has seen many friends come and go. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Eddie and Vera Dyer and wish them the best in the future;(HLS 1685)

Colby and Hilda Hooper, of St. George, on the very special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 12, 1998, and in extending our congratulations and warmest wishes to them;(HLS 1686)

Parents Against Tired Truckers (PATT), for its unending dedication to the safety of our highways, not only in the State of Maine, but across the nation and internationally;(HLS 1687)

the Rebecca Lodge #86, of Lisbon, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. We thank the Rebecca Lodge for its visability in the community and for its dedication to mankind;(HLS 1688)

Peter Lamb, Fire Chief of the Town of Lisbon, for 8 years of dedicated service to the community. We acknowledge his community involvement and expertise and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1689)

Laura Deane Field-Anderson, of Freeport, who was a volunteer for the Freeport Rescue Unit. Mrs. Field-Anderson,

known as "Cricket," was very active in her community and volunteered as an EMT and a CPR instructor. She loved travel, wildflowers and was known for her great collection of books. She will be sadly missed by her loving family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1690)

Dr. Robert Ecke, of Eliot, who is the 1998 recipient of the Doris Cummings Reando "Spirit of Caring" award. We extend our congratulations to Dr. Ecke on this occasion;(HLS 1691)

Martha T. Beathem, who is completing her 5th year as a board member of The Next Step Domestic Violence Project of Hancock County. As one of the original members of the board, she has devoted much time to this organization and we extend our congratulations to her;(HLS 1692)

Clyde D. Walton, of Fayette, on his retirement from the Department of Transportation after over 40 years of service to the State of Maine. Mr. Walton began as a Grounds Keeper for the Bureau of Public Improvement in 1958 and is retiring as Manager of Landscape and Environmental Mitigation for the Department of Transportation. He has been honored with numerous awards for his work over the years. Mr. Walton has also been very active in his community, having served as a selectman and school director. He has also been a member of the planning board, roads committee and was a library trustee for the Town of Fayette. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his town and to his State and we extend our congratulations and very best wishes to him;(HLS 1693)

Norman and Charlotte Buswell, of Corinth, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 9, 1998. They were married in Charleston by the Reverend Meader and have seven children, seven grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special anniversary;(HLS 1694)

John and Margaret McLaughlin Dow, of Mapleton, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 1, 1998. They are fondly known by family and friends as Ralph and Betty. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them;(HLS 1695)

Marilyn Lau, of the Asian Palace in Bangor, who was nominated for Maine's 1998 Minority Small Business Person of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Marilyn Lau for being selected as a nominee;(HLS 1696)

Jose L. Azel, of Aurora & Quanta Productions, who was nominated for Maine's 1998 Minority Small Business Person of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Azel for being selected as a nominee;(HLS 1697)

Ashok Nalamalapu, of Portland, who was nominated for Maine's 1998 Minority Small Business Person of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Nalamalapu for being selected as a nominee;(HLS 1698)

Philip J. Johndro, of Limestone, beloved husband of the late Arlene Johndro and a longtime civil service carpenter at the former Limestone Air Force Base. Mr. Johndro served in the U.S. Army and was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Smart-Ricker Post #10. He was also a lifelong member of the St. Louis Catholic Church. He was also a 3rd and 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Johndro will be sorely missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1699)

Betty McDougal, of Caribou, who, on August 28, 1998 retired as a Bureau of Family Independence Specialist Supervisor after 23 years of dedicated service with the Maine Department of Human Services. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to her on this occasion;(HLS 1700) Jack Chan, of the Asian Palace in Bangor, who was nominated for Maine's 1998 Minority Small Business Person of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Chan for being selected as a nominee;(HLS 1701)

J. Richard Martin, of Biddeford, who had served his community with dedication for many years. Mr. Martin was a longtime Biddeford City Councilor and was instrumental in getting the Biddeford Community Center started. He was very active in community groups, including the Biddeford-Saco Rotary Club and the Richelieu Club of Biddeford. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, neighbors and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1702)

Donald and Florence Fletcher, Sr., of York, on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher were married on October 2, 1948 in East Boston. We extend our congratulations to them on this occasion;(HLS 1703)

Henry and Helen Hendrickson, of Kittery, on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson were married on October 16, 1948 in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this occasion;(HLS 1704)

John L. Tuttle, Sr., of Sanford, beloved husband of Hazel Lloyd Tuttle for 49 years, and father to Representative John L. Tuttle, Jr., of Sanford, James P. Tuttle, of Chiang Mai, Thailand, and Jane Tuttle, of Sanford. Mr. Tuttle was a longtime sales representative for Nabisco Brands, Inc. He was also a communicant of St. Ignatius Church, a member and past King Lion of the Lion's Club, and a member of the American Legion, the VFW and the Sanford Elks Lodge. Mr. Tuttle will be sorely missed by his family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1705)

Robert Ouellette, in appreciation of his decades of dedication to the Knights of Columbus in Brunswick and throughout the State of Maine;(HLS 1706)

the Augusta National Guard Babe Ruth Baseball Team, 13year-old Division, which has won the 1998 Maine State Championship after an outstanding undefeated record. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team: Nicholas Albert, Jac Arbour, Nathan Duncklee, Erik Greenlaw, A. J. Jacques, Jesse Jean, Josh Lapierre, Troy Pierce, Jon Sanborn, Matt Swindells, Dan Tuttle, Ray Vallee, Eddie Weddington, Ryan Weeks, Derek Wing, Coach Ray Vallee, Coach Bob Lippert, Volunteer Coach Kevin Golden, Volunteer Coach Garrett Murch and Manager Chuck Hinds;(HLS 1707)

Roger Hewson, on obtaining his United States citizenship. Mr. Hewson was born in Canada. He attended McGill University and became President of Hewson Construction, Ltd. Mr. Hewson is also the founder of Sabre Yachts in Raymond. He and his wife, Charlotte Gulick Hewson, have raised 3 children together. We wish Mr. Hewson many more years of health and happiness;(HLS 1708)

Barbara Bell Gilley, formerly of Caswell and recently of Colorado, who fought a courageous battle with cancer. She was a loving mother, thoughtful daughter and caring sister and will be sadly missed by her loving family and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1709)

Neva Goodwin, of West Gardiner, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, October 10, 1998. Neva has lived in the same home since she was 11 years old and has been a Grange member for 85 years. She is the 4th member in her family to hold the Boston Post Cane in West Gardiner. She plays the piano every day, having played piano for the silent movies. Neva Goodwin is a much loved mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother and great-great-grandmother. We extend our congratulations and warmest wishes to her on this centennial celebration;(HLS 1710)

Stewart Watt, of Greenville, who has been named Grocer of the Year. Mr. Watt owns the Indian Hill Trading Post in Greenville. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion;(HLS 1711)

the Dover-Foxcroft Fire Department, recipient of the Outstanding Unit Award given by the Maine State Federation of Fire Fighters. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Dover-Foxcroft Fire Department on this special occasion;(HLS 1712)

the Womancare Aegis Association on its 20th year. The Womancare Aegis Association is a program providing protection from domestic violence, serving Piscataquis County and southwestern Penobscot County. We thank the association for the assistance they provide to the women in this State;(HLS 1713)

Edward Watson, a Life Scout with the Boy Scouts of America Troop #633, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Edward is to be commended for many hours of dedicated service to his community. We extend our sincere congratulations to him on this tremendous milestone;(HLS 1714)

Benjamin Pierce, of Wells, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 356, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement;(HLS 1715)

Charles and Muriel Parnham, of Eliot, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1716)

the Round Top Center for the Arts on its 10th Anniversary. The center is located on what was once the Round Top Dairy Farm run by E.W. Freeman. The center is a grass roots organization that offers classes, concerts, music, theater, visual arts, lectures, exhibitions and a place for community celebrations. We extend our congratulations and wish the best for the center's future;(HLS 1717)

Ruth (Gould) and Derrill Hibbard, of Madison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hibbard were married in Madison on October 9, 1948. They have had 4 sons: James; Derrill, Jr.; Chester; and Bryan and 7 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1718)

Eva Morrissette, of Madison, on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Ms. Morrissette is one of 14 children of Sigefroid and Sarah Morrissette. She was born in a log cabin in St. Honore, Quebec on December 18, 1898. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion;(HLS 1719)

Barbara B. Kelley, upon her receiving the prestigious Milken Foundation Award for her excellence as an educator. We congratulate Ms. Kelley on her achievement and express our appreciation for her enthusiasm and her outstanding leadership in the Bangor school system;(HLS 1720)

Stuart Laughlin, who is being honored by the Portland Chess Club for over 40 years of involvement with various chess activities throughout the State. Mr. Laughlin has been an active player, youth instructor and tournament organizer and director. He has also served as president of the Portland Chess Club and president of the Maine Chess Association and as a voting member for Region 1 of the U.S. Chess Foundation. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Laughlin on this occasion;(HLS 1721)

Joe Dube, on the occasion of his 100th birthday. Mr. Dube was born in Clair, New Brunswick on October 19, 1898 and became a United States citizen during the Depression. He has been married to Lena Caron Dube for over 75 years. Mr. Dube continues to be an inspiration to all who know him;(HLS 1722)

Nicholas Viens, of Waterville, a member of Boy Scout Troop #436, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1723)

Robert Patterson, of Waterville, a member of Boy Scout Troop #436, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement;(HLS 1724)

Frank Knight, of Yarmouth, on his retirement as Tree Warden for the Town of Yarmouth. Frank received a B.S. in Forestry from the University of Maine, and had his own pulpwood business in the late 1930s. He was appointed Tree Warden in Yarmouth more than 30 years ago during the Dutch Elm infestation and saved 25 elms in town, including "Herbie," the largest elm tree in Maine and one of the largest in New England. He is the recipient of numerous civic awards and has been very active in the community. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his town and to his state, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1725)

the Mars Hill Utility District Wastewater Treatment Plant upon being selected to receive the Environmental Protection Agency's 1998 national first place award. The award is for the exceptional Operations and Maintenance Program in the Most Improved Plant category. We extend our congratulations and best wishes for the plant's continued success;(HLS 1726)

Elizabeth "Betty" (Jones) Socec, of Augusta, who was active in many civic, community and church organizations. An authority on many subjects, she enjoyed lecturing on gardening, legislation and politics. She inspired all who knew her and she will be sadly missed by her family and many friends;(IN MEMORIAM)(HLS 1727)

Helen Park, of Orono, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, September 1, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion;(HLS 1728)

the 14th year of the celebration of Harvestfest, which takes place on the village green of York with the help of the Town, the First Parish Church and the Old York Historical Society. Harvestfest includes crafts, food, fairs, rides and fun for all, with a colonial theme. We commend the cooperation of the Town and the Chamber of Commerce in promoting York's historic traditions and in offering this festival as a forum for area nonprofit groups;(HLS 1729)

Mardi Goodman, the unofficial ambassador of York County, in the year of her 83rd birthday. We recognize her 15 years of dedicated and loyal service to The Yorks Chamber of Commerce. We send our best wishes and congratulations to her on this occasion;(HLS 1730)

Maine Civil Liberties Union on its 30th anniversary. The Maine Civil Liberties Union is one of the fastest growing American Civil Liberties Union affiliates in the country. Through litigation, lobbying and education, the Maine Civil Liberties Union advocates for the rights of all Maine people. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the MCLU on this occasion; (HLS 1731)

Harold Brown, of Standish. Mr. Brown drove the first local school bus in Standish. He was the past master of the Standish Lodge of Masons, the past president of the Standish Kiwanis Club and he was a life member of the Pine Tree Chapter, OES, as well as being a member of the Sebago Lake Church and the Standish Historical Society. We acknowledge his contributions to his community and to his state. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1732) Robert and Katherine Crickey, of Houlton, on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. They were married in Brewer on October 16, 1948 and are a model of dedication to their family, to their community, and to the youth of Houlton and the surrounding area. We send Mr. and Mrs. Crickey our congratulations and best wishes on this special anniversary;(HLS 1733)

Richard Austin, of Smithcrossing, for 53 years of dedication to and accomplishments in the sport of powerlifting. Mr. Austin works with the youth in his community and is a role model for many. He has the great ability to teach, motivate and encourage other people. We extend our best wishes to him during the upcoming World Powerlifting Congress World Championship;(HLS 1734)

the Emerson family, proprietors of Emerson's Pharmacy in Millinocket. We extend our appreciation for its 65 years of dedicated service to the citizens of the community;(HLS 1735)

Warren Nelson, on his retirement from the Millinocket Police Department after years of dedicated service. Mr. Nelson held the positions of D.A.R.E. Officer and Lieutenant, and is currently acting Chief of Police. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to him on this occasion;(HLS 1736)

Lance T. Comeau, of Boy Scout Troop #586 in Farmington, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We send our congratulations to Lance on this accomplishment;(HLS 1737)

Nicholaus A. Watson, of Hermon, a member of Boy Scout Troop #25, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement;(HLS 1738)

Gail Gibson, Principal of the Mapleton Elementary School, on being chosen as a 1998 Milken National Educator for her distinguished service and commitment to education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her;(HLS 1739) Sharon A. Millett, a realtor from Poland Spring, who has been named the President of the National Association of Realtors. Ms. Millett is well-known throughout the nation and the State for her effective leadership in the real estate industry. Her election to this position marks the 2nd time in history that this office has been held by a woman. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Millett on this occasion;(HLS 1740)

Michael Boucher, of Boy Scout Troop #155 in Lovell, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1741)

Murray and Dolores Mason, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, October 31, 1998. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion;(HLS 1742)

the Honorable Burton Cross, Maine's Governor from 1953 to 1955, a respected leader in local and state government and a successful businessman in the Augusta area. He was a member and former vestryman and lay reader of St. Mark's Episcopal Church and was a member of several fraternal and service organizations. For decades, Mr. Cross remained informed on state politics at the State House, where he appeared before legislative committees and state conventions, often reminding lawmakers and the governors of their fiscal duties and counseling them on the value of frugality. Mr. Cross and his beloved wife, Olena, celebrated 70 years of marriage on November 1, 1997. He was predeceased by his wife, August 12, 1998;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1743)

Adam J. Miele, of Boy Scout Troop #866 in Windham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We

send Adam our congratulations on this accomplishment;(HLS 1744)

Wilbur Hollingsworth, of Belgrade and Rome, who has been chosen to receive the Distinguished Service Award given by the Finance Authority of Maine. Mr. Hollingsworth has made and continues to make a significant contribution toward improving opportunities for young people in Maine by providing scholarships for students who are average performers academically to continue their education. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hollingsworth for helping students in this State and extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award;(HLS 1745)

Jason Parker, of Belfast, a member of Boy Scout Troop #27, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations on this accomplishment;(HLS 1746)

Patrick Munson, of Belfast, a member of Boy Scout Troop #27, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment;(HLS 1747)

the following members of the Monmouth Academy Girls' Cross Country Team, who are the 1998 State Class D Champions, the 1998 Western Maine Champions and the 1998 East-West Conference Champions: Jessica Arsenault, April Bonderud, Katie Charpentier, Kate Chuprevich, Melissa Clunie, Leah Gielarowski, Jodi Hayford, Captain Michelle Ramiller, Mandy Wood, Managers Sue Smith and Kelly Wells, and Cocoaches Carrie Crawford and Rick Amero. We extend our congratulations to them on these achievements;(HLS 1748)

the following members of the Monmouth Academy Boys' Cross Country Team, who are the 1998 State Class D Champions and the 1998 East-West Conference Champions: Shaun Bartlett, Nate Butler, Brian Clunie, Jeff Couture, Chas D'Amour, Ben Farrell, Captain Frank Farrell, Robert Foley, Charlie Fyler, Tom Gardner, Rick Grant, Josh Hammond, Jon Hillier, Gilbert Lapierre, Captain Sam McCabe, Jason McDonald, Jacob O'Donnell, Zeke O'Donnell, Jason Pyska, Nick Rioux, Paul Ruopp, Nick Scott, Josh Smith, Brent Witherell, Chad Wright, Jason Sprague, Daryl Mansir, Managers Sue Smith and Kelly Wells, and Co-coaches Carrie Crawford and Rick Amero. We extend our congratulations to them on these achievements;(HLS 1749)

Temple Beth El, for 50 years of service to the Portland community. Temple Beth El has more than 500 member families and a religious school serving more than 130 children. Under the leadership of Rabbi Harry Sky, it was a pioneer on issues ranging from social action to the equal participation of women: In the 1960's, it was involved in human and civil rights issues and, in the 1970's, the congregation had one of the first female congregational presidents in the country. We send our best wishes to Temple Beth El on this occasion and extend our best wishes to the congregation for its continued success;(HLS 1750)

Ralph and Dora Cousins, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Cousins on this special anniversary;(HLS 1751)

Mary Lou Franck, of Millinocket, who has been named the 1998 Staff Nurse of the Year by the Maine State Nurses Association. Mrs. Franck has been a Registered Nurse for over 21 years and since 1991 she has been a certified Critical Care Nurse. She was selected from among nominees throughout the State based on her concern for her patients, her superior efforts to inform and educate them on the care they receive and on the quality of care she gives. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Franck on this occasion;(HLS 1752)

Mertelle Finemore, of Bridgewater, on the special occasion of her 90th Birthday, November 16, 1998. She was a devoted wife to the late Representative Lewis Finemore, is a loving mother to 4 sons and is involved and active grandmother and greatgrandmother. She has lived in Bridgewater since 1934, and she and her family have a long history of dedicating time and superior leadership abilities to the betterment of the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her;(HLS 1753)

Charles H. Jackson, Executive Director of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association, on the occasion of his retirement, after over 26 years of experience. He was former Chief of Police in Massachusetts and in Newport and Winthrop, Maine and has been Executive Director of the Maine Chiefs of Police Association since 1986. He is a member of numerous professional organizations and in 1995 was awarded Chief of the Year by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession and to his State and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion;(HLS 1754)

Husson College in Bangor on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. In its 100 years of service to Maine students and now students from all over the world, Husson College has grown from a small second-floor business college founded as Shaw Business College in 1898 by Frank L. Shaw to a fully accredited institution preparing graduates for professional careers. The college carries the name of Chesley H. Husson, Sr., who was named President in 1935 of the then Bangor Maine School of Commerce and who developed the proprietary corporation into a nonprofit institution of higher learning at its College Circle campus. We extend our congratulations to them on this very special occasion;(HLS 1755)

the following members of the Sumner Memorial High School Boys Cross-country Team, who have won the 1998 Class C State Championship: Justin Ossolinski, Teddy Pietz, Travis Bickford, Matt Fisher, Wes Hopper, Brendan O'Keefe, Derik Thomann, Mike Falabella and Coach Matt Umphrey and Assistant Coach Andrea Pelletier. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on this achievement;(HLS 1756)

the following members of the Sumner Memorial High School Girls Cross-country Team, who placed 2nd in the 1998 Eastern Maine Championship and who were among the top contenders in the Class C State Championship; Robin Billings, Elisa Obermann, Kirsten Austin, Meg Brunton, Elizabeth Brunton, Brianna Marshall, Jen Bayuk and Coach Matt Umphrey and Assistant Coach Andrea Pelletier. We extend our congratulations and very best wishes to them on their successful season; (HLS1757)

Raymond Fecteau, a well-known barber in Augusta, who is the 1998 recipient of Le Club Calumet's Medallion Award in recognition of his distinguished service in supporting the club, his community and the advancement of Franco-Americans. Mr. Fecteau's accomplishments include an exchange program between Le Club Calumet and the Amicale des Sarthois of Paris, France and his involvement in the Calumet Education Foundation. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Fecteau for his dedication both to Le Club Calumet and to his community. We also offer our congratulations to him on receiving this prestigious award;(HLS 1758)

Richard A. Becker, of Boy Scout Troop #207 in Union, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We

send Richard our congratulations on this achievement;(HLS 1759)

Paul and Diane Noddin, owners of Noddin Flower Shop, for 26 years of service to the people of the greater Millinocket area;(HLS 1760)

Dr. Neil V. MacLean, of Hallowell, on the occasion of his retirement from the position of Chief Psychologist for the State Forensic Service. Dr. MacLean entered state service in the 1970s as a counselor for disadvantaged youth. In 1973 he was hired by AMHI to serve as its personnel director. He was promoted to senior psychologist before being selected in 1986 for his latest position. We extend our appreciation to Dr. MacLean for his years of professional contributions to the field of forensic psychology and for his dedication to state service. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion;(HLS 1761)

Richard A. Leavitt, of Waterville, beloved husband of Shirley Leavitt. Mr. Leavitt was well-known for his leadership in the B.P.O. Elks Lodge #905 during the past 20 years, where he held many positions, including membership chairman, stray Elk chairman and family outing chairman. He enjoyed hunting and camping and had been an instructor for the Elks Lodge hunter safety course. Mr. Leavitt will be sadly missed by his family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1762)

William H. Bromley, beloved husband of the late Isabelle Allen Bromley and veteran of World War II. Mr. Bromley was a member of the Windham School Board and a member of Lake Moxie Camper's Association. He summered at Lake Moxie for over 50 years. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Mr. Bromley will be sadly missed by his family and friends;(IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1763)

Mountain Valley Middle School, in Mexico, for being the only school in the State to be recognized as an Exemplary School of Excellence for Healthy Children and Youth Through Health Education. They have provided a quality comprehensive health education curriculum and students have attained knowledge and skills they will wisely use for the rest of their lives. We acknowledge the school's excellence and extend our best wishes for many more years of success;(HLS 1764)

Valdemar Škov, a woodcarver from Waldoboro, who is carving the ornamentations for the podium of the Maine Speaker of the House in the State House in Augusta. The podium is architectural in style with fluted pilasters, Corinthian capitals and numerous moldings which were painstakingly made to accurately reproduce all the details of the original podium. The work is very precise and much of the work is done by hand. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Skov for all his time, effort and patience in helping to make the podium an exceptional piece of history;(HLS 1765)

Daniel C. Sweatt, of Boy Scout Troop #580 in Rumford, who has attained the high honor and distinction of Eagle Scout, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1766)

Dr. Ulrich B. Jacobsohn, on the occasion of his retirement from the position of Medical Director of the State Forensic Service. Dr. Jacobsohn moved to Maine in 1971 and served as the psychiatrist of the Maximum Security Unit at AMHI as well as the State's Forensic Psychiatrist, Assistant Superintendent and several other positions. In 1986 Dr. Jacobsohn was appointed to serve as Director of the State Forensic Service and in 1988 as Medical Director. He is a member of numerous professional organizations and is currently a member of the Board of Licensure in Medicine for the State of Maine. We acknowledge his dedicated and extensive service to his profession and to his State and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1767)

the members of the Hampden Academy "Broncos" Football Team upon winning the Eastern Maine Class B Football Championship. We extend to them our congratulations and best wishes for their continued success;(HLS 1768)

Carrie Frisbee, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Girls All-Star Field Hockey Team. Ms. Frisbee is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1769)

Alisha Burnett, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Girls All-Star Soccer Team. Ms. Burnett is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1770)

Holly Wheeler, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Girls All-Star Field Hockey Team. Ms. Wheeler is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1771)

Kristen Gentile, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C All-Star Field Hockey Team. Ms. Gentile is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1772)

David Estes, of Kittery, upon his receiving an honorable mention as a member of the Western Maine Class C Boys All-Star Cross Country Tearn. Mr. Estes is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to him our congratulations and best wishes for continued success;(HLS 1773)

Amanda Cookson, of Kittery, upon her receiving an honorable mention as a member of the Western Maine Class C Girls All-Star Cross Country Team. Ms. Cookson is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1774)

Shawn Burton, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Campbell Conference All-Star Football Team. Mr. Burton is a linebacker for Traip Academy. We extend to him our congratulations and best wishes for his continued success;(HLS 1775)

Jon Grant, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Campbell Conference All-Star Football Team. Mr. Grant is a running back for Traip Academy. We extend to him our congratulations and best wishes for his continued success;(HLS 1776)

Michael Finneran, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Boys All-Star Soccer Team. Mr. Finneran is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to him our congratulations and best wishes for his continued success;(HLS 1777)

Casey Cook, of Kittery, who has been selected as a member of the Western Maine Class C Girls All-Star Soccer Team. Ms. Cook is a student at Traip Academy. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes for her continued success;(HLS 1778)

Edwin V. and Colleen Pasanen, of East Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 25, 1998. We send our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Pasanen on their Golden Wedding Anniversary; (HLS 1779)

Leroy J. "Roy" Barry, President and CEO of Madison Paper Industries, who has been named Executive of the Year by the Paper Industry Management Association in recognition of his excellence in management and outstanding contributions to the industry as a whole. Mr. Barry is a native of Mechanic Falls and joined Madison Paper Industries in August 1994. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Barry on this occasion;(HLS 1780)

Raymond H. Poulin,Jr., of Dexter, for his dedicated service as the Deputy Commissioner of Education for the State of Maine. Mr. Poulin has served as Deputy Commissioner since July 1995 and has led a Department of Education initiative to develop a statewide technology network linking public schools and libraries throughout the State. He was also instrumental in establishing updated audio and video connections in secondary schools through the State's ATM project. We send our appreciation to Mr. Poulin for his service as the Deputy Commissioner of Education and extend our best wishes to him as he assumes his new role as Superintendent of Schools for SAD #46;(HLS 1781)

the following members of the Gardiner High School Football Team, the Gardiner Tigers, who won the 1998 Class A Pine Tree Conference Championship: Ryan Fish, Joao Mercado, Ryan Cunningham, Mickey Plourde, Andrew Butler, Tim Young, Josh Massey, Byron Jackson, Shaun Le, Tom Veilleux, Jake Barnes, Vin LaVallee, Todd McArthur, Even Tessari, Tanner Dostie, Andy Munzing, Robbie Frank, Tom Faunce, Joe Croll, John Fairfield, Greg Lumbert, Al Watson, Dan Hicks, Joe Heath, John Sliva, Jeremy Bullock, Warren Cote, Robbie Curry, Jesse Daniels, Ben Sirois, Ryan Pelletier, Captain Josh Croll, Captain Jim Curry, Captain Patrick Munzing, Coach Rob Munzing and Coach Matt Brown. We extend our congratulations to them on this achievement;(HLS 1782)

Dawn Russell, an elementary physical education teacher at M.S.A.D. #41, who has been named the 1998 Teacher of the Year by the Maine Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. We acknowledge her dedication and service as a positive role model for the children, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her;(HLS 1783)

Dana Wilbur, of Dexter, who was presented with the 1998 Landowner of the Year for Central Maine Award by the Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife. We acknowledge his generosity and public spirit and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1784)

William and Florence Enhoff, of Wellington, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 2, 1998. We extend our best wishes and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Enhoff on their Golden Wedding Anniversary;(HLS 1785)

Kenneth Eugene Sanborn, on the occasion of his 90th birthday. Mr. Sanborn was born on the family homestead in East Monmouth on December 5, 1908. He attended Monmouth Schools and graduated summa cum laude from Kents Hill in 1926. Mr. Sanborn had a long career with automobile dealerships in the Lewiston and Augusta areas. He was active in his community where he served on the Board of the Monmouth Federal Credit Union, the Board of Trustees of Cumston Hall and was a longtime member of the local fire department and the Monmouth Masonic Lodge. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Sanborn on his 90th birthday;(HLS 1786)

the following members of the Dexter Regional High School Field Hockey Team, the Lady Tigers, who won the 1998 State Class C Field Hockey Championship: Elizabeth McKusick, Angela Herring, Sarah Whitney, Christina Dorman, Amanda Cobb, Amanda Thompson, Sarah Clukey, Samantha Haskell, Deirdre McCormick, Emily Towle, Danielle Vafiades, Jessica Ellis, Amanda Hanscom, Kristin Gilbert, Michelle Gudroe, Angela Westover, Angela Ellis, Kristy Veazie, Erika Haiko, Karen Nelson, Haley Rabideau, Melissa Doody, Tasha Neal, Managers Victoria Caron and Jessica Killilea, Head Coach Margaret Veazie and Assistant Coaches Barbara Herring and Sheila Truman. We extend our congratulations to them;(HLS 1787)

Albert B. Glickman, of Portland, who is being honored as the 1998 Spurwink Humanitarian of the Year for his work and services that promote human welfare and social reform. Mr. Glickman is active in numerous business, charitable and community organizations. We acknowledge his dedicated service and and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him;(HLS 1788)

the following members of the Sanford High School Football Team, who have won the 1998 Class A State Championship: Ray Carter, Mike Flanagan, Brian Grondin, Scott Beattie, Brian Lapham, Steve Mallon, Pat Shairs, Greg Givens, Peter Dugre. Kevin Bougie, Brady Flanagan, Ryan Brown, Chris Roux, Luke Zienkiewicz, Richard Vogel, Frank Clark, Derrick Hanson, Jimi Barnes, Matt Perkins, Dan Thibeault, Isaac Clark, Robbie Payeur, Jason Altovino, Dustin Dugre, Tom Gauthier, Andy Edwards, Joe Nason, Kendall O'Gorman, Tim Dumont, John Rodriguez, Tyler Richmond, Jesse Lowell, Connor McCormick. Rvan Beaulieu, Doug McDermott, Andrew Gonyou, Jon Tederous, Chris Tederous, Shaun Gagnon, Mike Smith, Jeff Mitchell, Dan Labbe, Tim Normand, Brian Roux, Chris Nobert, Jose Diaz, Angus MacEachern, Manager Kelly Perrault, Coach Mike Fallon, Assistant Coaches Rod Beaulieu, Mark Boissonneault, Dick Faulkner, Rich Wilkins, Rob Wilkins, Athletic Administrator Gordon Salls, Principal Stephen Woodcock and

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Superintendent Timothy McCormack. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 1789)

the following members of the Sanford High School Football Team, who have won the 1998 Western Class A Championship: Ray Carter, Mike Flanagan, Brian Grondin, Scott Beattie, Brian Lapham, Steve Mallon, Pat Shairs, Greg Givens, Peter Dugre, Kevin Bougie, Brady Flanagan, Ryan Brown, Chris Roux, Luke Zienkiewicz, Richard Vogel, Frank Clark, Derrick Hanson, Jimi Barnes, Matt Perkins, Dan Thibeault, Isaac Clark, Robbie Payeur, Jason Altovino, Dustin Dugre, Tom Gauthier, Andy Edwards, Joe Nason, Kendall O'Gorman, Tim Dumont, John Rodriguez, Tyler Richmond, Jesse Lowell, Connor McCormick, Ryan Beaulieu, Doug McDermott, Andrew Gonyou, Jon Tederous, Chris Tederous, Shaun Gagnon, Mike Smith, Jeff Mitchell, Dan Labbe, Tim Normand, Brian Roux, Chris Nobert, Jose Diaz, Angus MacEachern, Manager Kelly Perrault, Coach Mike Fallon, Assistant Coaches Rod Beaulieu, Mark Boissonneault. Dick Faulkner, Rich Wilkins, Rob Wilkins, Athletic Administrator Gordon Salls, Principal Stephen Woodcock and Superintendent Timothy McCormack. We extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 1790)

Richard Folsom, of Greenville, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, December 30, 1998. Mr. Folsom is the founder of Folsom's Air Service on Moosehead Lake. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion;(HLS 1791)