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Perley Beane, of Waterville, who is retiring after 14 years as the Community Development Director for the Town of Madison. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Beane for his dedicated service to the community and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 1)

Emily Robertson, of Woodland, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 002, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Emily on this accomplishment; (HLS 2)

the members of the Gorham High School Girls Soccer Team, who have won the 2004 Class B Soccer Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team and to the school on their championship season; (HLS 3)

George Gordon, of Fairfield, co-owner of the downtown Waterville stores Maine Made & More and Adams and Worth, who is the recipient of the Maine Downtown Leadership Award given annually by the Maine Downtown Center. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Gordon on his receiving this award; (HLS 4)

Jeff Charles, of Strong, who was named one of the 4 top deer hunting guides by Field & Stream magazine. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Charles on his receiving this honor; (HLS 5)

Chief Civil Deputy Clyde Barker, of Strong, who was honored by the Franklin County Sheriff's Department and members of his community for his 43 years of continuous service to the department. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 6)

Richard "Dick" Chandler, of Strong, who has been honored by the members of his community for his 46 years of service to Franklin County. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (HLS 7)

Stephen McCausland, of Brunswick, who is retiring after 20 years as a member of the Brunswick Town Council. Mr. McCausland served as chair of the council for 6 years. He cochaired the committee that planned the construction of the Coastal Connector. He has been an asset to the town council and will be missed by his fellow councilors as well as the citizens. We extend our appreciation to Mr. McCausland for his many years of dedicated service to the citizens of Brunswick; (HLS 8)

Maya De Groote and her 6th-grade class at Boothbay Region Elementary School. They are winners of the "energy savings tips for home and school" contest held by Governor Baldacci's Office of Energy Independence and Efficiency. The winning tip suggested that the teacher appoint a student each week to turn off the lights when the class leaves the room. We extend our congratulations to Ms. De Groote and her 6th-grade class on their contribution; (HLS 9)

Jonathan Robert Russell, of Scarborough, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 47, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 10)

Captain Malcolm Pierce, of Gardiner, who is retiring after 27 years of dedicated service with the Gardiner Fire Department as a firefighter and emergency medical technician. We extend our appreciation to Captain Pierce for his dedication to the citizens of Gardiner and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 11)

Brian Christopher Vautin, of Scarborough, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 47, who has attained the high rank and

distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this accomplishment; (HLS 12)

Jeffrey Fenlason, of Oakland, who has been named Police Officer of the Year by the Waterville Exchange Club. Officer Fenlason is the school resource officer for the Winslow schools and worked for the Oakland Police Department for 14 years before joining the Winslow Police Department. We extend our appreciation to Officer Fenlason for his dedication to the youth of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (HLS 13)

Betty Boulter, of Standish, on the occasion of her 81st birthday. Ms. Boulter was born in Limington on December 17, 1923. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on her birthday; (HLS 14)

Roger and Madelyn Levesque, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary on December 31, 2004. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Levesque on this milestone; (HLS 15)

Thomas R. Dickerson, of Wells, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 300, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Thomas on this accomplishment; (HLS 16)

Taylor Overlock, of Owls Head, a 5th grade student at Owls Head Central School, whose energy savings tip was selected in the energy savings contest sponsored by Governor Baldacci's Office of Energy Independence and Efficiency. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Taylor on being selected as a winner; (HLS 17)

Fire Chief Jim Robertson, of Windham, on the occasion of his retirement from the Falmouth Fire Department after 18 years of service to the department and the citizens of that community. He was an effective leader and was instrumental in improving equipment, communications and facilities during his tenure. Previously, he was a longtime firefighter for the City of Portland, attaining the rank of deputy chief. We send Fire Chief Jim Robertson our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 18)

Brenda Hill, of Avon, on being named Employee of the Year at the Strong Nursing Home. She has worked at the Strong Nursing Home for 5 years, having started as night nurse and later becoming the Assistant Director of Nursing and the Director of Nursing Services. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Hill on her receiving this honor; (HLS 19)

the following members of the Mt. Blue High School Electric Car Team, of Farmington, on setting a world record at the Electrathon National Speed Trials in Loudon, New Hampshire, a week after the team crashed their first vehicle: Instructor John McDonald, driver Nate Pickerall, Alex Prentiss, technical advisor Gil Riley, driver Greg Allen, Principal Greg Potter, J. Pinkham, Verne Pressey and Robert Blake. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 20)

Andrew Edwards, of Dyer Brook, a member of Boy Scout Troop #202, who has attained the rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 21)

the Boothbay Region Water District, on the occasion of its receiving top honors in the "disinfected division" at the Maine Rural Water Association's 18th Annual Drinking Water Taste Test. We extend our congratulations to the Boothbay Region Water District on this accomplishment; (HLS 22)

Wendell Stadig, of Levant, recipient of the Helicopter Association International's Aviation Maintenance Safety Award for 2004. This prestigious award pays tribute to helicopter mechanics and technicians worldwide who have 5 or more years

of accident-free and violation-free professional helicopter maintenance experience. Mr. Stadig is a mechanical technician with LifeFlight of Maine and has been involved with aircraft maintenance for more than 20 years. We thank him for his dedication to saving lives in every corner of the State; (HLS 23)

Joseph Clark, of Millinocket, for his 8 years of dedicated and outstanding service to the people of the State of Maine in the House of Representatives during the 118th, 119th, 120th and 121st Legislatures. We send our appreciation to him for his outstanding leadership and dedication to the democratic process and extend our best wishes to him in his future endeavors; (HLS 24)

Rita Mailhot, of Sanford, who is retiring after 40 years as a registered nurse. Ms. Mailhot worked in the operating room at H.D. Goodall Hospital in Sanford. She has spent countless hours helping her extended family without expecting anything in return. We send our appreciation to Ms. Mailhot for her dedicated service and commitment to the citizens of Sanford; (HLS 25)

Tetrault's Market, of Brunswick, a mainstay of Brunswick's Franco-American community for more than 75 years, as it closes its doors on December 31, 2004. Tetrault's Market was opened in 1928 by Ludger Messier, the uncle of the current owner, Paul Tetrault and his wife Cathy Tetrault. Tetrault's Market exemplified the best of Maine's small businesses as it served its community and provided a meeting place for the neighborhood. We extend our congratulations to Paul and Cathy Tetrault on their retirement and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 26)

Priscilla R. White, of Avon, on her 80th Birthday, October 23, 2004. Mrs. White is a grandmother and the mother of Rose, Tammie, Timothy and Mark. The 2 sisters planned a surprise celebration, as this was Rose's first visit back to Maine since 1987. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. White on this special occasion; (HLS 27)

Peter W. Cox, of Georgetown, a cofounder of the *Maine Times*. Mr. Cox and his partner John N. Cole founded the statewide weekly magazine in 1968. He served as publisher, then editor and publisher through 1985, when he sold the paper. He stayed on for a year and returned as editor in 1993-94, continuing his column until 2000. The *Maine Times* developed a national reputation for its excellent coverage. After Peter left the paper, he devoted his energies to public policy affecting Maine. Peter served on the boards of the Maine Civil Liberties Union, Maine Audubon Society and Portland Museum of Art and was an advisor from Maine to the National Trust for Historic Preservation. We acknowledge his vast contribution to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 28)

Don and Ann Pilcher, of Orono, for their many years of community service to the Town of Orono. Mr. and Mrs. Pilcher have devoted time to the Orono High School, the University of Maine and the Orono Democrats and to many civic organizations in the Orono area. The Town of Orono has changed for the better because of Don and Ann Pilcher. Their generous contributions as educators, environmentalists, community leaders and Democrats make their legacy far-reaching and long-lasting. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Pilcher for their contributions to the Town of Orono and wish them well in their new adventures in Washington State; (HLS 29)

Everett L. "Larry" Palleschi, Jr., of Monmouth, who is retiring after 34 years with the Monmouth Fire Department. Larry joined the department in 1970. He served on several fire department committees. Larry's energy and dedication will be missed by fellow firefighters of the department as well as by his friends and neighbors in Monmouth and the surrounding communities. We

extend our appreciation to Larry for his dedication to the citizens of Monmouth and the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 30)

Captain Everett L. Palleschi, Sr., of Monmouth, on his retirement after 50 years with the Monmouth Fire Department. Captain Palleschi joined the department in 1954 and has served in many capacities, including being a firefighter, crew chief of Engine 4, captain of Engine 4 and captain of Engine 1. He was also a very active member of the "Red Phone Fire Department Dispatch System" and a member of many fire department committees. His energy and dedication will be missed by fellow members of the department as well as friends and neighbors in Monmouth and the surrounding communities. We extend our appreciation to Captain Palleschi for his dedication to the citizens of Monmouth and the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 31)

Dottie Melanson, of Falmouth, who has been recognized by the Maine Democratic Party for her many years of service as the State Party Chair, National Committeewoman and long-time chair of the Cumberland County Democratic Committee. We admire her dedication to the principles of fairness and equality for all Maine citizens. Dottie Melanson has given generously of her time to various organizations in our State that are working to protect civil liberties and civil rights. We acknowledge her efforts to assist Maine citizens to become involved in the political process. We send our appreciation to her for her commitment to the people of the State of Maine; (HLS 32)

Sergeant Thomas John Dostie, of Somerville, whose death during an explosion at a mess hall in Mosul, Iraq has shocked and saddened citizens throughout the State and nation. Sgt. Dostie was a member of the 133rd Engineering Battalion and had transferred out of the 152nd maintenance Company in Camp Keyes, Augusta. He had received his SCBA firefighter certification just prior to leaving for Iraq. He was active in the Somerville Volunteer Fire Department and recently joined the Windsor Fire Department. We join others in Sgt. Dostie's community and throughout the State in extending our deepest sympathy to his beloved parents, Michael Dostie and Margaret Dostie, his loving family, his friends, neighbors and coworkers; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 33)

Daniel McDermott, of Gorham, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 817, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this accomplishment; (HLS 34)

Sergeant Lynn Robert Poulin, Sr., of Freedom, whose death during an explosion at a mess hall in Mosul, Iraq has shocked and saddened citizens throughout the State and nation. A member of the Maine Army National Guard for 23 years, Sgt. Poulin is remembered by his family and many friends as being very kind, generous and friendly. We join others in Sgt. Poulin's community and throughout the State in extending our deepest sympathy to Sgt. Poulin's beloved wife, Jeanne Poulin, his sons, Michael and Lynn Robert, Jr., his 2 stepchildren, Ryan and Cindy, and other members of his loving family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 35)

Kimberly "Kim" Morrow Allen, of Raymond, a paralegal in the Office of the Revisor of Statutes, on her more than 18 years of dedicated service to the Maine State Legislature. Kim started as an Information Office Assistant in March 1986, and in September of that year she was hired as a paralegal. Her tireless commitment to excellence and her friendly manner will be missed by her coworkers and the many people of the Legislature with whom she has worked. We acknowledge Kim's dedicated service to the Legislature, including her authorship of

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innumerable legislative sentiments, and to the people of the State of Maine. We extend to her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (HLS 36)

Joan Gagne, of Augusta, on the occasion of her retirement as a Senior Legislative Technician in the Office of the Revisor of Statutes. Joan has committed 31 years of distinctive service to State Government, in the last 25 of which she worked in the Revisors Office. Her knowledge, helpfulness, wit and humor will be greatly missed by her coworkers. We extend to Joan our gratitude and appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to the Legislature and wish her happiness in her retirement; (HLS 37)

the opening of the new Town Office in Greenville. The new Town Office was built to replace the old Town Office, which was built in 1965. The new Town Office will house the police department, the code enforcement officer's office, the town manager's office, the town clerks, the assessor's office and the municipal officers. We extend our congratulations to the town officials as they move into their new home; (HLS 38)

Darrell Morrow, Sr., of Millinocket, a veteran of the United States Navy who served aboard the USS Columbus in World War II. Following his service discharge, he was employed for 33 years by Great Northern Paper Company. Mr. Morrow was a member of St. Martin's Catholic Church and the VFW, Francis E. Elliot Post #4154. He and his wife Beverly raised 6 children with whom he enjoyed camping, fishing and hunting. Mr. Morrow will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 39)

Claudia Hawkes, of Windham, who has been named Maine's Outstanding Adult Education Support Staff Person of the Year by the Maine Adult Education Association. Claudia was presented the award because of her sensitivity and commitment to adult learners, her thorough knowledge of the data management information system and her extraordinary willingness to help. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her achievement; (HLS 40)

the Atomic LEGOs, Mt. Blue Middle School seventh graders, of Farmington, who won the Innovative Design Award at the first annual LEGO League Competition. This award was presented to the team best demonstrating an ability to use a creative design, component or strategy to help people with disabilities. Since the middle school had no team, the boys created their own team, consisting of Jarod White, Craig Collins, Josh Tracy and Reed Drechsel. We congratulate the Atomic LEGOs on their distinctive achievement; (HLS 41)

Hiram Mather Perry, of Newburgh, who moved to Maine in 1967 to realize his dream of dairy farming. After retiring from farming, he returned to his hobby of woodworking and displayed his custom work at craft shows throughout New England. He also conducted, in consultation with nationally respected scientists, an intensive study of the environmental movement and subsequently published a newsletter in an effort to keep Legislators informed. He frequently attended hearings in Augusta pertaining to environmental issues. A veteran of the United States Army, Mr. Perry was an avid member of the "Troop Greeters" at Bangor International Airport. This caring and dedicated citizen and family man will be sadly missed by his loving wife of 58 years, his family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 42)

Angelo Morelli, Jr., of Portland and Madawaska, on the occasion of his 80th birthday. He was born on January 10, 1925 and married Iva Rose Libby on June 3, 1949. The couple had eight children: Stephen Angelo, Janet Iva, James Andrew, Charles Allen, Joseph Michael, Linda Anne, Jean Evelyn and

Elizabeth Ann. He has six grandchildren: Tina Heather, Ricky Ned, Katie Julia, Russell Mathew, Nicholas and Katherine Elizabeth and one great-grandchild, Ariana Rose. Angelo worked for the Portland Press Herald for 41 years and Town Taxi for 31 years. He also worked for the Portland Fire Department, the Portland Police Department as a volunteer and LaFavor's Restaurant. He took special pride in providing for his family by working three jobs. He loves bowling, playing cards, cribbage, poker, horse races, rides to Old Orchard Beach and the Red Sox; (HLS 43)

Mike Imbergamo, of Portland, who 2 months ago won a seat on the Portland School Committee. The Deering High School junior is an honor student and a member of the soccer team and was the lead singer for a garage rock band. We congratulate Mike on his successful campaign and extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 44)

Sophia Njaa, of Portland, who 2 months ago won a seat on the Portland School Committee. The Portland High School junior is a member of the school's Drama Club and hopes to have a career in nursing. We congratulate Sophia on her successful campaign and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 45)

Helen Melledy, of Monmouth, in recognition of her 85th birthday on January 13th. In addition to being a mother and grandmother, Helen has been an active member of the Cumston Public Library Association for a number of years. She has also contributed countless hours volunteering at the Theater at Monmouth. Helen volunteers at the vestry once a month, and has sent baked goods and raffle items to Monmouth Museum, Monmouth Fire Department, the Monmouth Center Church and the Town Offices. Helen embodies all that a volunteer is to a community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 46)

Hugh Morris, of East Millinocket, a kind and caring man whose passion for life affected all those with whom he came in contact. He was a decorated Korean War Veteran, a member of the American Legion and a founding member and past president of Katahdin Friends Institute. Hugh was a long-time employee of Great Northern Paper Company where he was a member of the carpenters and joiners union. He was also an active member of St. Peters Catholic Church and a Third Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus. He will be sadly missed by Ester, his wife of 47 years, his children, grandchildren, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 47)

Stephen C.H. Mead, of Lovell, a member of Boy Scout Troop #155, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Stephen for achieving this honorable distinction; (HLS 48)

Jay Bartner, of Old Orchard Beach, who is retiring as Old Orchard Beach School Superintendent after 13 years of dedicated service in that position. He has been in the field of education for 29 years, 5 of those years as principal at Old Orchard Beach High School. During his administration, Old Orchard Beach High School was named a National School of Excellence and the number of students furthering their education increased 30 percent. We congratulate Jay on his many years of dedicated service and commitment to education and extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 49)

The Academy Hill School LEGO Team, of Wilton, winners of the Project Presentation Award at the first annual LEGO League Competition. The award is presented for high-quality research, innovative solutions and creative presentation. The team showed a deep understanding of the research question, which dealt with handicapped-accessibility issues in the community. We

congratulate the team, coaches and MSAD #9 on this fine accomplishment; (HLS 50)

Captain Christopher Cash, a native of Old Orchard Beach, who was killed on June 24, 2004 while on patrol training Iraq's civil defense forces. Captain Cash, a member of North Carolina's Army National Guard, was a graduate of Old Orchard Beach High School in 1985. He will be lovingly remembered for his exemplary character, helpful nature and outstanding leadership skills. Christopher's commitment to and sacrifice for his country have earned him the pride and gratitude of his native community and State; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 51)

Bruce Johnston, of Lyman, recipient of the Chief Edward Mullen Award presented by the Goodwin's Mills Fire and Rescue Department. Bruce, who served the department and community for 37 years, rose through the ranks from lieutenant and captain to deputy chief. His knowledge, example and common-sense approach to challenges have earned him this commendation. We appreciate his many contributions and extend our congratulations to him on receiving this award; (HLS 52)

Kyle Richard Tremblay, of Naples, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 156, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Kyle on this noble accomplishment; (HLS 53)

Harvey Kail, of Orono, and a University of Maine Associate Professor of English, who received the 2004 Ron Maxwell Award for Distinguished Leadership in Promoting the Collaborative Practices of Peer Tutors in Writing recently at the 21st Annual National Conference on Peer Tutoring in Writing. This national award recognizes accomplishment, dedication and leadership in collaborative learning in writing centers by encouraging students to take increased responsibility for their learning. Mr. Kail founded the Writing Center at the University of Maine in 1979, one of the first in the country. In addition to coordinating the Writing Center and teaching English, Mr. Kail has published on the subject of peer tutoring and composition and is involved with efforts to create and expand writing centers globally. We congratulate this dedicated educator on receiving the Ron Maxwell Award and recognize him for his contributions in research and pedagogy; (HLS 54)

Leo M. Smith, formerly of Rockland and Kittery, who was deeply involved in educating Maine's youth. Leo taught physical education and health at Robert Traip Academy, where he served as the varsity football and varsity basketball coach. While at the Academy, he also started the girls track program, was a charter member of the Traip Booster Club and directed the graduation exercises for many years. He later became an education administrator at Rockland District High School, serving as assistant principal and principal; he was also Director of Student Activities and started the all-sports Boosters Club. Leo belonged to many teacher organizations and was selected as an Educator of the Year by a Lewiston newspaper. He will be sadly missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 55)

Walter E. Shedd, longtime resident of Mattawamkeag and devoted husband of Maria L. Shedd. Mr. Shedd was born in Mattawamkeag December 28, 1924, the son of Prince H. Shedd and Stella Shedd Grant. He attended schools in Mattawamkeag and then served in the United States Army in the European, African and Middle Eastern campaigns from 1943 until 1946. He was employed at Forster Manufacturing, Stone and Webster and Great Northern Paper Company for 31 years. He was a member of American Legion Post 0013 and VFW Post 7409. Walter had a great love for hunting, fishing, photography and genealogy. He will be missed by family, friends and all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 56)

Mark Johnston, of Winthrop, Campaign Chairman of the United Way of Kennebec Valley, and the numerous supporters of the United Way of Kennebec Valley for raising more than \$1.41 million for local charities. This amount surpassed the original goal by more than \$10,000. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Johnston for his dedication to the citizens of the State; (HLS 57)

Andrzej Radecki, of Fryeburg, on being named Lodging Employee of the Year at the New Hampshire Lodging and Restaurant Association's 90th Annual Awards Dinner. Mr. Radecki, who is now sauté chef and banquet handler, has been employed at the Red Jacket Mountain View Resort in North Conway for 19 years. We congratulate him on receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 58)

Jodie Lane, of New York and Maine, who was tragically killed by stray electrical current in New York City's East Village while walking her dog. Every summer Jodie returned to her family's summer camp on Sebago Lake. Her grandfather was A. Edward Langlois, former general manager of the Maine Port Authority and executive director of the Maine Innkeepers Association. At the time of her death, Jodie was working toward a doctorate in clinical psychology, specializing in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder in children. Her family hopes to complete and publish a book she was writing explaining OCD to children. We join Jodie's family and friends in mourning the loss of this generous, caring and nurturing person; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 59)

Ed Flaherty, of Portland, a new inductee into the American Baseball Association's Hall of Fame. Head baseball coach at the University of Southern Maine, Ed's career includes being named multiple times as the ABCA New England Coach of the year and also the "Little East" Coach of the year. In 1993, he was inducted into the State of Maine Baseball Hall of Fame; he is also a member of the Maine High School Baseball Hall of Fame. We congratulate Ed on receiving this distinctive recognition; (HLS 60)

Eleanor Spinney, of South Portland, on her 85th birthday, October 3, 2004. A native of Portland, Eleanor worked for 21 years at Pineland Hospital as a psychiatric aide and worked there after her retirement on an as-needed basis. Eleanor is the mother of 7 children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 61)

Sister Annette Picard, of St. Agatha, as she celebrates 70 years of religious life as a Daughter of Wisdom. Sister Annette was born on May 1, 1916 in Grand Isle, the daughter of Vital and Delia Picard. She became a Daughter of Wisdom on February 2, 1935 in Ottawa, Canada. Her ministry has been one of community service; as a talented seamstress, she adapted readily to serving the needs around her. In her long religious life, she has served in Ottawa; Brooklyn, New York; Ozone Park, Queens, New York; Port Jefferson, Long Island, New York; and Portsmouth, Virginia. Sister Annette is in her 23rd year of service in St. Agatha. She has 5 sisters: Sister Lucille Picard, D.W., Brentwood, New York; Constance Lachance, Madawaska; Louise Perry, Bangor; Gloria Lajoie, Lac Baker, Canada; and Jacqueline Orne, Orlando, Florida. We congratulate Sister Annette on her many years of service and for her many contributions in her ministry; (HLS 62)

Brenda Caldwell, of Gorham, who is retiring after 28 years as the Town Clerk of Gorham. Brenda has acted in many capacities during her tenure, including superintendent of cemeteries, acting town manager and instructor for many municipal management classes; in addition, she has also been active in many civic organizations. She has been officially honored for many of her contributions and in 1999 was named the State's first and only recipient of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks' Quill Award. This prestigious award recognizes members who have

made a significant and exemplary contribution to the community, state and peers. We recognize Brenda's energy and thoughtful leadership and congratulate her on her retirement; (HLS 63)

Timothy Polky, of St. George, for 25 years of service as Fire Chief of the St. George Fire Department. Since joining the department as a junior firefighter 35 years ago, he has dedicated himself to the service of public safety. At age 25, he was elected to serve as chief, and he has continued in that capacity since then, well known and respected throughout the fire-service community. Chief Polky is a certified instructor, and he serves on the regional hazmat response team. For two weeks in 2003 he helped the National Fire Service battle forest fires in Montana. We extend our appreciation to him for his hard work and thank him for his many contributions in safeguarding Maine's citizens; (HLS 64)

Gordon F. Jarvis, of East Millinocket, beloved husband of Theresa for 53 years. A World War II veteran of the United States Navy, "Sonny" was a longtime employee of Great Northern Paper Company where he held the positions of fire chief and safety supervisor. He was a member and past president of the Maine State Fire Instructors Association; he assisted in the reorganization of the East Millinocket Fire Department and served as assistant fire chief trainer for many years. "Sonny" was also involved in the reorganization of the local Boy Scouts and was a proud Fourth Degree member of St. Peter's Knights of Columbus. He was a communicant of St. Peter's Catholic Church where he had served as an usher since the age of 9. We join his family, friends and community in mourning his loss; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 65)

Samuel Oley Sides, of Sherman Mills, a member of Boy Scout Troop #202, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Samuel on this accomplishment; (HLS 66)

the Lebanon First Responders for their dedicated service in protecting life and property throughout the years. We are grateful to them for their many selfless contributions to the community and State; (HLS 67)

the Berwick First Responders for their dedicated service in protecting life and property throughout the years. We extend our appreciation to them for their many selfless contributions; (HLS 68)

Barbara Patrock, of Biddeford, who has been named the Biddeford-Saco-Old Orchard Beach Courier's Great Person of the Year. She was nominated for this annual award for helping the less fortunate by organizing the collection of food baskets. Barbara is an employee at Wood Structures in Saco. We congratulate her on her receiving this distinctive recognition; (HLS 69)

John Williams, of Norway, on his retirement from the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce. He has served the towns of the Oxford Hill region for nearly 11 years as executive director and, more recently, as president and chief executive officer of the chamber. Since 1994, the chamber has experienced growth in both membership and in the development of products and services. In the last 10 years, the membership has grown from fewer than 200 members to more than 300. Mr. Williams was named the 2000 State of Maine Executive Director of the Year by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce and also served as Vice President of the Maine Lakes and Mountains Tourism Council. We thank him for his dedication to the Oxford Hills region and wish him continued success in his future pursuits; (HLS 70)

Clara Campbell Hathaway, of Island Falls, on the occasion of her 98th birthday, February 5, 2005. Clara was born and has lived most of her life in Island Falls, where she raised 4 children.

She has been a very active member in her community, where she is a 64-year member of the Katahdin Club and a member of the Wittier Congregational Church and has served as the librarian at the Katahdin Public Library. She is a dynamic member of the Bridge Club and continues to enjoy driving her own car. We congratulate her and extend our best wishes on this very special occasion; (HLS 71)

Edward S. Godfrey, III, founding Dean of the University of Maine School of Law and a former Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. A veteran of the United States Army from 1941 to 1946, he was awarded a Bronze Star Medal. Under his leadership as Dean of the University of Maine School of Law, the new school quickly achieved accreditation and became one of the nation's finest small law schools. In 1976, Governor James B. Longley appointed Dean Godfrey to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. From 1984 to 1987, Dean Godfrey served as chairman of the Maine Labor Relations Board. He also served at various times as a member of the Board of the Portland Urban Renewal Authority, the Maine Judicial Council, the Maine Bar Foundation and the Portland Symphony Orchestra. Dean Godfrey held honorary degrees from Union University and the University of Southern Maine. He enjoyed reading and gardening and he was a Life Master bridge player. He was respected by all who knew him for his intellectual depth and strength of character. He was loved for his dry humor, kindness and greatness of spirit. His generosity to his students and colleagues was legendary. He was a mentor to many, a wealth of wit, an inspiration to all he taught and to all whose lives he touched. We join his family, friends, community and colleagues in grieving his loss; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 72)

Adam Crowley, of Carmel, a member of Boy Scout Troop #18, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Adam on this accomplishment; (HLS 73)

Jonathan Carter, of Kittery, who having served as Town Manager of Wells since 1988 is leaving to assume the position of Town Manager in Kittery. Jon has made numerous worthy contributions to the town, including developing a working relationship with the environmental community, and strengthening the partnership between the Town and Wells Reserve. We recognize the many achievements the Town of Wells has realized under his leadership and advocacy and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 74)

Philip and Jean Turner, of Caribou, on the occasion of their 61st wedding anniversary, January 25, 2005. They were married in Boston by the Reverend Gordon Brownville and they had three children. They have been upstanding citizens of their community. While Philip is most recognized for his published historical novels based on Aroostook County, both Philip and Jean remain active in various civic organizations. They are also members of the Gray Memorial United Methodist Church. We extend our congratulations to them and wish them many more years of happiness together; (HLS 75)

Abbie Armstrong, of Brewer, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Abbie on this accomplishment; (HLS 76)

Craig Russell, of Eddington, a member of Boy Scout Troop #1, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Craig on this accomplishment; (HLS 77)

Nicholas J. Ault, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop #1, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout.



We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this accomplishment; (HLS 78)

the Very Reverend Richard E. Harvey, of Brewer, a well-known and much-loved local Catholic priest. A veteran of the United States Navy, Fr. Harvey was ordained into the priesthood in 1951. His first assignment was as associate pastor at St. John's Catholic Church in Bangor; he then went to Stonington as pastor at St. Mary of the Sea where he was appointed the first Catholic chaplain at Maine Maritime Academy. He served as pastor at St. Joseph's in Brewer for 25 years before retiring in 1995. He will be lovingly remembered as a compassionate man whose firm hand and blunt tongue instilled a great respect in those who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 79)

John F. Boyle, of Bangor, and formerly of Hampden and Presque Isle. A veteran of the Army Air Corp and a recipient of the Purple Heart, he retired after 30 years of active service in the United States Air Force Reserves as a lieutenant colonel. He worked for the United States Department of Agriculture as a potato market news reporter from 1960 until his retirement in 1984. John was a man of many interests, was a respected member of the communities in which he lived and was involved in many church and community organizations. His varied accomplishments include being an avid Boy Scout leader for 40 years; serving as a Eucharistic Minister at Eastern Maine Medical Center for many years and being an enthusiastic and dedicated troop greeter at Bangor International Airport. John's favorite hobby was raising and showing rabbits. We join his family, friends and community in mourning the loss of this proud family man and dedicated citizen; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 80)

Adrien M. Fundis, of Lewiston, a freshman at Lewiston High School, who has been selected for the Mayor's Citation of Excellence for January. He was recognized for his exemplary efforts as a youth leader who is dedicated to improving the lives of others. Adrien has led numerous community service projects since Thanksgiving, including participation in a Red Cross blood drive, the CHIPS child identification program, Salvation Army Christmas efforts, outreach activities to veterans at Togus and fund raising for the tsunami relief efforts. We applaud his extraordinary and unselfish achievements and extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 81)

Trisha Lynn MacDonald, of Millinocket, who recently scored her 1,000th career point in basketball for the Stearns High School "Minutemen." We congratulate her on this achievement; (HLS 82)

Rose Perreault Shink, of Jay, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, February 9, 2005. She and her late husband Francois, who moved to the United States from Quebec, Canada seeking employment, had 3 children. A homemaker, Rose enjoyed quilting, knitting, playing cards and welcoming family and friends from Canada. We congratulate her on this very special occasion and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 83)

Marguerite ("Mike") Rand Osgood Holbrook, of Wayne, on the occasion of her 96th birthday, December 20, 2004. She was born in Gardiner and has lived in Wayne for 43 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this very special occasion; (HLS 84)

Arline Rebecca Andrews Lovejoy, of Wayne, a highly respected and prominent member of her community, who was predeceased by her husband Harold in 1989. She managed Andrews Market in Winthrop from 1932 to 1968 and taught English at Monmouth Academy from 1968 to 1981; she was an active member of BPW for more than 50 years, serving in many leadership positions on local, state and New England levels. Mrs. Lovejoy was a founding member of CODA Chorus and sang

in church choirs for many years. She taught Sunday school at the Winthrop Methodist Church for 20 years, was treasurer of the 30 Mile River Snowmobile Club for many years, presided over the Kennebec Retired Teachers Association for 2 years, was a member of the Winthrop Town Budget Committee and was a founding member of the Winthrop Area Development Association. She chaired Winthrop's Bicentennial in 1971 and wrote a family history entitled "Faith's Heritage." Mrs. Lovejoy will be sadly missed by her family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 85)

The Foster Vocational Technical Center Firefighters Class at Mt. Blue High School, in Farmington, on the completion of its 4th successful fire-fighter program. Students from 6 surrounding communities have completed the rigorous requirements through their course work that qualifies them to be certified firefighters by the State. We recognize the importance of the fire-fighter class at the Foster Vocational Technical Center and appreciate the efforts of the students, mentors, local fire departments, sponsors and staff for their contributions in making this program so successful; (HLS 86)

Ralph B. Moore, of Millinocket, a veteran of the United States Army who served in the Battle of the Bulge with the 3rd Army Combat Engineers in Germany. He retired from Great Northern Paper Company after 42 years of service as a machinist, roll grinder and blacksmith. Ralph enjoyed time with his family, going to his camp at North Twin, fishing, hunting and snow sledding. He was an active member of the Northern Timber Cruisers, VFW Post No. 4154 and the First Congregational Church of Millinocket. He will be sadly missed by Marjory, his wife of 58 years, his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 87)

Anna Russell Greenlaw, of Island Falls and Orono, wife of the late Claude L. Greenlaw. She was an educator for 37 years in the County, where she also served as a principal for several years. Mrs. Greenlaw was a member of St. Agnes Sodality, Katahdin Club, the Maine Retired Teachers Association and the National Education Association and was a communicant of St. Agnes Catholic Church. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 88)

Harold A. Miller, of Alton, Town Selectman since 1996. He attended the University of Maine and was employed as a police officer for the Town of Lincoln and was a foreman for H.E. Sargent for many years before his retirement in 1994. Recently Harold was working with Catholic Charities of Maine in the juvenile services program and was justifiably proud of his accomplishments with youth. He was a member of several fraternal organizations, including Odd Fellows No. 96 of Lincoln and the Old Town Elks Lodge No. 1287. He will be sadly missed by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 89)

Ethel Ruth Smith, of Eliot, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, February 27, 2005. Sister of retired State Senator Walter Hichens, Ethel spent more than 99 years of her life in Lynn, Massachusetts where she volunteered for the Salvation Army and was a member of the Austin Square Baptist Church. She worked at the Lynn Institution for Savings for 45 years, retiring as head of the insurance division. She has witnessed numerous historical events, including watching the Red Sox win the World Series in both 1918 and 2004. We congratulate Ethel on this very special occasion and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 90)

Lynn Brown, of Standish, on being named Maine's Assistant Principal of the Year for 2005 by the Maine Principals' Association. Assistant principal at Bonny Eagle High School, she was presented the award based on her accomplishments as an educational leader, her strong student-centered approach to

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student management, her commitment to collaborative leadership in her school, her contributions to the Maine Principals' Association and her profession. We congratulate Lynn on receiving this honor and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 91)

the students of D.W. Lunt Elementary School, of Falmouth, for their successful coin drive for the victims of the tsunami disaster in South Asia. We congratulate them on their unselfish efforts to help others; (HLS 92)

Ellie MacEwan, of Falmouth, who led the drive at Falmouth Middle School to help victims of the tsunami in South Asia. The sale of note cards, called Notes of Hope, were decorated with drawings by many students at the school. To date, the sale has realized more than \$3,800. We recognize Ellie's thoughtful orchestration of the project and appreciate the efforts of the students at Falmouth Middle School on their unselfish and successful accomplishment; (HLS 93)

Eugene S. Boddy, of Millinocket, a prominent businessman in the community who was associated with the family business, Boddy's Dairy, and "The Creemy." He was also custodian at the Millinocket Middle School. Eugene served on the Millinocket School Board for 9 years, was a Boy Scout leader, a Little League coach, a basketball official and assisted with the Stearns High School football teams. He enjoyed rug braiding, cooking, cribbage and gardening. He was a member and communicant of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church where he served on the vestry and was sexton for many years. This dedicated and caring man will be fondly remembered by family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 94)

Claude Deschene, of East Millinocket, who retired from Great Northern Paper Company in 1981. Claude and his beloved wife of 60 years, Winnifred, enjoyed retirement by traveling to Arizona, the West Coast and British Columbia visiting family and friends. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and he and his wife spent many summers at Nesowadnehunk Lake fishing, barbecuing and sitting by campfires with friends. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 95)

Peter Connolly, of Windham, for 40 years of service as a teacher and track coach at Windham High School. We applaud his professional dedication and extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 96)

the Windham Rotary Club and Tom Noonan, of Windham, organizers of the annual Windham Rotary DerbyFest. Acclaimed by *Field and Stream* magazine as one of the 5 best ice fishing tournaments in the country, the derby and festival promote community spirit in the Sebago Lake Region. The event also contributes thousands of dollars to Maine charitable organizations such as the Maine Children's Cancer Program, Camp Sunshine, DARE and other under-funded community projects. To aid in conservation efforts, some of the proceeds also benefit the Sebago Anglers' Smelt Restoration Project and the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. We applaud the generosity of spirit and time of the Windham Rotary Club and Tom Noonan; (HLS 97)

Diane Curtis, of Augusta, a 4th grade teacher at Manchester Elementary School, who recently achieved National Board Certification. She has taught for 11 years in Manchester and was an Educational Technician for 7 years prior to becoming a teacher. We congratulate Diane on her achievement; (HLS 98)

Nicholas Dean, of Edgecomb, admired author, adventurer and award-winning maritime historian who rescued the Snow Squall, the last surviving American clipper ship. Raised on Long Island, New York, he attended Harvard University and Dartmouth College. At the age of 15, he found his lifelong love of the sea as a deckhand on the Boothbay Harbor research vessel Blue

Dolphin. A student of the photographer Ansel Adams, he taught photography and fine printmaking at the Portland School of Art. For ten years he worked in Dr. Edwin Land's laboratory for the Polaroid Corporation. His works appeared in such classic regional and architectural photography books as *Bulfinch's Boston* and *Portland: Greater Portland Landmarks*. As an academic historian, his articles appeared in publications such as "Smithsonian" and the "British Museum Encyclopedia of Maritime Archeology." A founder of the Snow Squall Project, for a decade he traveled to the Falkland Islands to recover the remains of the last American clipper ship, the Maine-built Snow Squall. Defending the vessel in the Falkland War, in 1987 his team returned much of the ship to the Spring Point Museum in South Portland. His book about the adventure, *Snow Squall: The Last American Clipper Ship* won the 2002 John Lyman Book Award from the North American Society for Oceanic History. As a writer, raconteur and outspoken advocate for historic preservation, he will be fondly remembered by his family, his wide circle of friends and readers and all who treasure the heritage of Mainers "who went down to the sea in ships, and sought their work upon the Great Waters"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 99)

Elizabeth Irene Greene Gorham, of Portland, beloved mother, grandmother and friend. A proud native of Portland, Elizabeth was the sixth of fifteen children born to Michael and Elizabeth Donahue Greene and attended local city schools. She married Joseph M. Gorham in 1941, and they made their home in the Irish neighborhood of Munjoy Hill and later Woodfords Corner, Portland. After raising four children she successfully pursued her G.E.D. in 1964 and under the new Equal Employment Opportunity Act became the first woman in Maine to train as a telephone installation and repair technician for the old New England Telephone Company. In her career she proudly rose from washing floors for the N.E.T. to serve as longtime Union Steward of IBEW Local 2327. Active in the Cathedral Grammar School Mother's Club, she was active in political and community affairs all her life, pressing upon her family the importance of participating in political and public affairs in our democracy. She proudly saw all her children pursue successful lives, one son becoming President of the Maine AFL-CIO and another a Portland City Councillor. She will be sadly missed by her large and loving family, including her small great-grandchildren, and her large circle of friends in the greater community she graced with her willing hands and winning smile to enrich Maine and Portland, Longfellow's city "That is seated by the Sea..."; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 100)

Dr. and Mrs. Loring Pratt, of Fairfield, on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary, February 3, 2005. Dr. Pratt, an ear, nose and throat doctor in Waterville for many years, and Mrs. Pratt, a registered nurse, have 9 children, 26 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We congratulate them on this very special occasion and extend our best wishes to them; (HLS 101)

Deidre Downs, Miss America 2005 of Alabama, who will visit Portland March 2, 2005 for a Tea Social and Fashion Show. The Miss America Organization, one of the world's largest providers of scholarship assistance for young women, helps them to achieve personal and professional goals while providing a forum in which to demonstrate their talents. We warmly welcome Deidre to our State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 102)

Reverend John W. Keegan, S.J., of Portland, who is retiring as President of Cheverus High School at the end of the 2004-05 school year. He has served as President of the Jesuit college preparatory high school for a combined total of 20 years. Father

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Keegan has overseen the doubling of the school's enrollment, its transition to a coed institution and a huge campus expansion. We congratulate Father Keegan on his many successes at Cheverus High School and extend our best wishes to him on his future endeavors; (HLS 103)

Marissa Rublee, of Glenburn, on placing second in the speech contest sponsored by Modern Woodmen of America at Glenburn School. This year's topic was "A Great Time in American History." We congratulate Marissa on this achievement; (HLS 104)

Kimia Kaskooli, of Glenburn, on winning the speech contest sponsored by Modern Woodmen of America, held at Glenburn School. This year's topic was "A Great Time in American History." We congratulate Kimia on her achievement and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 105)

Nikki Holland, of Glenburn, on placing third in the speech contest sponsored by Modern Woodmen of America at Glenburn School. This year's topic was "A Great Time in American History." We congratulate Nikki on this achievement; (HLS 106)

the University of Maine Cooperative Extension on receiving the 2004 Award of Excellence for its Potato Technical Assistance Program. Presented by the Northeast Cooperative Extension Directors, this distinctive award recognizes critical economic, social and environmental achievements. We congratulate those involved in the successful accomplishments of the Extension Program and extend our best wishes to them; (HLS 107)

Kim Corbitt, a student at the University of Maine at Orono, who is a 2005 recipient of the M Club Dean Smith Award. The presentation is awarded to a female student-athlete with outstanding academic and athletic achievements along with citizenship and community service. Kim is a senior guard and co-captain on the University of Maine Women's Basketball Team, is a Maine Scholar-Athlete gold medalist and is majoring in biological engineering and mathematics. We congratulate her on receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 108)

Aaron Izaryk, a student at the University of Maine at Orono, who is a 2005 recipient of the M Club Dean Smith Award. The presentation is awarded to a male student-athlete with outstanding academic and athletic achievements along with citizenship and community service. Aaron is a senior catcher and co-captain on the University of Maine Baseball Team, is a Maine Scholar-Athlete gold medalist and is a kinesiology and physical education major. We congratulate him on being recognized for his outstanding achievements; (HLS 109)

Olive M. Treadwell, a lifelong and prominent resident of Acton. Mrs. Treadwell served the Acton community on many levels and was a member of numerous civic and historical organizations. She served on the building committee for the Acton School and she was a member of the Acton School Board for many years. She remembered fallen veterans by putting flags on their graves for Memorial Day for 25 years and was an active member in the Acton Civil War Veterans Memorial Committee and the Korean War and Vietnam War monument committees. Mrs. Treadwell held the position of Deputy Town Clerk and served as the Interim Town Clerk in 1986. This dedicated and caring woman has been a role model for family life and citizenship. She will be sadly missed by family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 110)

Lyman Morse Boatbuilding Company, of Thomaston, on receiving the Clean Boatyard and Marina Award presented by the Maine Marine Trade Association. The award recognizes the superior management practices used by the company to reduce pollution and to preserve and improve our natural resources. Thomaston has a notable history of shipbuilding and area citizens

take great pride in this award. Lyman Morse Boatbuilding Company is a model in its long-term commitment to the environment and we extend our congratulations on its exemplary accomplishment; (HLS 111)

the Kittery Point First Responders for their dedicated service in protecting life and property throughout the years. We extend our appreciation to them for their many selfless contributions; (HLS 112)

the Kittery First Responders for their dedicated service in protecting life and property throughout the years. We extend our appreciation to them for their many selfless contributions; (HLS 113)

Sylvia Fogarty, of New Vineyard, in whose honor the annual town report is being dedicated. In 1954, Sylvia and her family moved to New Vineyard where she continues to reside and enjoy her perennial gardens on the Anson Valley Road. She has played an important role in the town's library association and has been a member of the Planning Board. We congratulate Sylvia on being honored by the town she has called home for 50 years; (HLS 114)

Lauris Abbott, of Strong, in whose honor the annual town report is being dedicated. "Audy" was Postmaster in Strong until ill health forced his retirement in 1989. He has served on several town committees including the Budget Committee and the Forster Library Committee and he is a 50-year member of Johnson/Cox American Legion Post #78. He and his wife Beverly are the proud parents of 3 children and 8 grandchildren. We congratulate Lauris on being recognized by his hometown in such a special way; (HLS 115)

Andrew Phillips, Sr., of Avon, who is being saluted by the town with a special dedication in the annual town report. A veteran of the United States Army, he served in the Medical Corps in World War II and in the 5th Engineer Combat Battalion during the Korean Conflict. Upon his discharge, he quietly returned to his hometown where he raised his family. The Town has chosen to honor and thank this humble and unassuming man who received 9 medals during his honorable years of service to our country. We join the Town in thanking Andy for helping to keep our country free and our rights alive, and we congratulate him for being recognized in a special way by his hometown; (HLS 116)

Elsie Presby, of Avon, who is being saluted by the Town with a special dedication in the annual town report. Elsie has earned the love and respect of townspeople for her many years of service to others. She has worked as a ballot clerk for over 19 years, is one of the founding members of the Avon Mothers' Club and continues to be active in church and community functions. We congratulate Elsie whose kind and generous spirit is being recognized by the Town of Avon in such a special way; (HLS 117)

David Michniewicz, of York, who is retiring as Superintendent of the York Water District after 29 years of dedicated service. He was also active on the Legislative Committee of Maine Water Utilities and was past president of the Maine Water Utilities Association. We congratulate David and extend our best wishes to him for a long, happy and fulfilling retirement; (HLS 118)

the University of Maine Teaching Fellows program for Kindergarten to grade 12, which has been chosen to receive the regional Higher Education Excellence Award by the New England Board of Higher Education. The program is led by University of Maine ecologist Susan Brawley and is funded by the National Science Foundation. The program provides fellowships to outstanding graduate students in sciences, technology, engineering and mathematics. As part of their fellowships,

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students collaborate with public school teachers to bring more hands-on, inquiry-based science to kindergarten to grade 12 students in central and eastern Maine. We recognize the significance of the program and applaud those responsible for its success; (HLS 119)

Jeffrey William Pacheco, of Albion, of Boy Scout Troop #446, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate Jeffrey on this distinctive honor; (HLS 120)

Constance Wing, of Gardiner, on her 80th birthday, March 5, 2005. We congratulate her and extend our best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 121)

Don Robataille, of Lewiston, who completed the daunting challenge of bicycling across America at 70 years of age. He continues to do long-distance bicycling, and is an inspiration for young and old. Married for 50 years and father of 5 children, Mr. Robataille worked for the Coca Cola Company for 35 years before retiring to realize his dream. We congratulate Mr. Robataille on his transcontinental journey and extend our wishes for many more adventures; (HLS 122)

Ruth Farabee Clark, of Durham, beloved wife, mother, friend, actress and inspiration to all who knew her by her well-earned nickname, "Lady Sunshine." Diagnosed with juvenile diabetes at age 11, for 40 years she proudly devoted her professional and personal energies to education and advocacy about diabetes research, organ donation and conquering chronic illness with the force of faith, joy and life. A 4th-generation Floridian, she graduated from Florida Southern College in 1972 and was named its Distinguished Alumni for Service to Humanity in 1985. In 1983 she was chosen Outstanding Young Woman of the Year by the Greater Portland Women Jaycees. An officer of the Maine Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, she was a founding trustee of the National Kidney Foundation of Maine and served as its president from 1990-1993. An enthusiastic athlete, she attended the United States and World Transplant Olympics, earning 39 medals in swimming, shot put and running. A gifted singer and actress, she performed in scores of Maine theater productions and served on the Board of Lyric Music Theater. As one of the first United States recipients of a successful live donor kidney transplant in 1979, she entranced audiences across the United States and Canada with her presentations about life, faith and family. She will be fondly remembered by her loving family, many friends and all who were inspired by her call to "Fill Every Minute"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 123)

the Reverend Chandler M. Holmes, formerly of North Waterboro, who served as pastor at North Waterboro Community Church from 1970 until his retirement in 1997. His father had served as pastor at the same church. Reverend Holmes was a respected member of several organizations, including the Masons and volunteer fire departments. He also played the trumpet and sang at many events. He will be fondly remembered by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 124)

Linwood Miller, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 80 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this anniversary; (HLS 125)

Michael Flagg, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 25 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this anniversary; (HLS 126)

Thomas Flagg, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 25 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this anniversary; (HLS 127)

Thelma Frost, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 70 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this anniversary; (HLS 128)

Wynnefred Shephard, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 70 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this anniversary; (HLS 129)

Edith Masterman, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 60 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this anniversary; (HLS 130)

Earl Tracy, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 25 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this anniversary; (HLS 131)

Vivian Tracy, of Wilton, who has been a member of the Franklin County Grange #50 for 25 years. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this anniversary; (HLS 132)

Cynthia Dame, of Portland, upon achieving the high honor and distinction of being named the current President of the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, Department of Maine. A proud native of Portland, she attended local schools and has achieved an admirable record of public volunteerism and civic dedication in her community and state. She has served as Chair of Youth Volunteer Efforts for her local AMVETS post and as Chair of the AMVETS Auxiliary Scholarship Committee for the State of Maine. She has served as President of the AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary, Post 25, for 4 terms, and as First Vice-President and Membership Chair for the Auxiliary, during which time membership reached record numbers. We salute her patriotism and dedication to the cause of veterans in Maine and Portland, Longfellow's city "That is seated by the sea"; (HLS 133)

Ryan E. Cline, of Spruce Head, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 246, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Ryan on this accomplishment; (HLS 134)

Elizabeth Brown, of Caribou, on her 95th Birthday, March 8, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 135)

Jason Woodworth, of Blaine, a senior at Central Aroostook High School, on scoring 1,000 points in his high school basketball career. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jason on this accomplishment; (HLS 136)

the members of the Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School "Panthers" Basketball Team, of Mars Hill, winners of the Eastern Maine Class D Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team and their coaches on this accomplishment; (HLS 137)

Jane Gray Muskie, widow of former Maine governor, senator and national Secretary of State Edmund S. Muskie, at her home outside Washington, D.C., on Christmas morning. Jane Gray was born and raised in Waterville, where she met young attorney Edmund S. Muskie. They married in 1948 while he was a member of the Maine House of Representatives. In 1954, Mr. Muskie was elected Governor of Maine, and as Maine's First Lady, Mrs. Muskie was the first in memory to have a child while living at the Blaine House. The Muskies moved to Washington, D.C., in 1958, when Edmund Muskie won the United States Senate seat he would hold until President Carter named him Secretary of State in 1980. Mrs. Muskie was devoted to her husband and five children, raising her family in Bethesda, Maryland, and Kennebunk, Maine. She was talented, charming and well respected, and she was one of her husband's greatest

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political assets. Mrs. Jane Muskie will be buried next to her husband, who predeceased her in 1996, at Arlington National Cemetery. She will be greatly missed by her loving family, her many friends and the citizens of the State of Maine; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 138)

the following members of the "A" Girls Basketball Team at Caravel Middle School in Carmel, upon winning the Penobscot Valley Middle School League Championship: Katie Durgin, Shannon Hall, Ashley Riling, Hillary Keith, Samantha Greeley-Gormley, Debra Kelley, Lauren Fitzgerald, Britney Kelley, Rachel Niles, Stephanie Smith, Megan Call, Jessica Scripture; managers Melissa Lawler and Sam Farnham; and Coach Richard Burger. We extend our congratulations to the team on achieving this accomplishment; (HLS 139)

the Mt. Blue High School Wrestling Team, of Farmington, winners of the Eastern Maine Class A Championship. We congratulate the "Cougars" on their second consecutive win; (HLS 140)

David Kleinschmidt, of Glenburn, a student at Bangor High School, who has been nominated as a 2005 Presidential Scholar. Scholars are selected for their academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strength of character and activities in the community and school. We congratulate David on being nominated for this prestigious award; (HLS 141)

Shane Webber, of New Vineyard, a student at Mt. Blue High School, who won the 135-pound Class A State Wrestling Championship. We congratulate Shane on his victory; (HLS 142)

Randolph Sprague, Jr., of Medway, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 205, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Randolph on this accomplishment; (HLS 143)

Wakine and Anna Tanous, of East Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. We congratulate them and extend our best wishes to this special couple; (HLS 144)

Carl Birt, of East Millinocket, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 56, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Carl on this accomplishment; (HLS 145)

Christopher Birt, of East Millinocket, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 56, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 146)

the past and present members of the United States Armed Forces from the Town of Temple, who have served or are now serving in the military to protect our country, and in whose honor the annual town report is being dedicated. We extend our appreciation to these citizens for their commitment to their town and country; (HLS 147)

Barbara Ford, of Winterport, who has been selected to receive the 2005 North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC) Adoption Activist Award. Barbara is one of 6 recipients of this prestigious award, which recognizes her many years of service to children and families. She is currently the President of The Board of Directors of Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine and has worked to educate state legislators on the needs of adoptive families and post adoption supports. We extend our sincere congratulations to Barbara on achieving this distinctive and well-deserved honor and thank her for her contributions to the welfare of children and families; (HLS 148)

Matthias Schreinemachers, of West Newfield, who was sworn in as a United States citizen on February 17, 2005. An enthusiastic resident of Maine, Matthias loves to hunt, snowshoe, fly-fish and ice-fish. A native of Haaren, Germany, he moved to

Maine after being introduced to Jayme Lee Campbell, daughter of Representative James Campbell. He is now married to Jayme Lee and is a maintenance supervisor at MSAD #57. We congratulate Matthias on becoming a new United States citizen and we welcome him to our State; (HLS 149)

Bradley Larou, of Rome, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Bradley on this accomplishment; (HLS 150)

Jacob Plummer, of Limington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jacob on this accomplishment; (HLS 151)

Christopher Kelley, of Limington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 152)

Mose Russo, III, of Sebago, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Mose on this accomplishment; (HLS 153)

Samuel Beety, of Limington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Samuel on this accomplishment; (HLS 154)

Merlin-Forest Bahr, of Sebago, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Merlin-Forest on this accomplishment; (HLS 155)

Emily Spinney, of Corinth, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Emily on this accomplishment; (HLS 156)

Richard Walker IV, of Bath, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Richard on this accomplishment; (HLS 157)

Eric Mattice, of Bath, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Eric on this accomplishment; (HLS 158)

Alexander Liberman, of Bath, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Alexander on this accomplishment; (HLS 159)

Haley Blum, of Bath, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Haley on this accomplishment; (HLS 160)

Kevin Adams, of Otis, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Kevin on this accomplishment; (HLS 161)

David Langley, of Ellsworth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to David on this accomplishment; (HLS 162)

Jeffrey Frank, of Ellsworth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jeffrey on this accomplishment; (HLS 163)

Chief Yeoman Thomas R. Kunz, of Kittery, on his retirement from the United States Navy. Chief Kunz is authorized to wear the Dolphins and Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist Breast Insignias along with the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with one Gold Star, The Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with 3 Gold Stars, USCG Meritorious Unit Commendation with Operation Device, 2 Battle Efficiency "E" Awards, Navy Good Conduct Medal with 4 Bronze Stars, Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Medal with one Bronze Star, Arctic Service Ribbon, USCG Special Operations Ribbon and the Expert Pistol Medal. We congratulate Chief Kunz and

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extend our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement; (HLS 164)

the *Aroostook Republican* for its 125 years of circulation. With the release of its first edition on January 14, 1880, founder Samuel W. Mathews, Maine's first labor commissioner, had a vision for a weekly newspaper in Caribou. His dream is ongoing as the paper continues to be a vital source of news and information for Caribou residents and also for the surrounding communities of Woodland, New Sweden, Limestone and Stockholm. We wish the current staff of Kati Bell, Amanda Dumond, Kevin Sjoberg, advertising representative Gayle Smith, receptionist Lisa Anderson, editor Mark Putnam and owner, Northeast Publishing Company, enduring success as one of Aroostook County's best media outlets; (HLS 165)

Patricia M. Collins, of Caribou, for being selected as a Maine Women's Hall of Fame honoree. As one of only 2 female recipients from Aroostook County in 2005, Patricia joins a very distinguished group of past honorees, including Margaret Chase Smith and United States Senator Olympia J. Snowe. Founded in 1990 by the Maine Federation of Business and Professional Women, the Hall of Fame acknowledges Maine women that have made a lasting contribution to their state and community. Patricia's extensive resume that chronicles her passion for public service and education has earned her this praiseworthy distinction. We extend our congratulations to Patricia and wish to thank her for all that she has done to make Maine, and more specifically Caribou, a better place; (HLS 166)

David Nilosek, of Wells, a member of Boy Scout Troop #356, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to David on this accomplishment; (HLS 167)

Bruce Schwab, who became the first American to officially complete the renowned Vendee Globe race. He finished 9th among 20 skippers entered in the solo around-the-world race beginning and ending in Les Sables d'Olonne, France. The Vendee course is over 25,000 miles and is considered the most challenging solo sporting event in the world. Bruce spent a year preparing his boat, Ocean Planet, for the arduous race at his home port in Portland Harbor. Ocean Planet was teamed up with Bigelow Laboratory to make the race an educational tool for students by posting journal entries and nautical information on the Internet. Bruce could anticipate storms by using such satellite technology but still sailed Ocean Planet through waves as high as 30 feet. We share in the excitement of welcoming Bruce home after his successful completion of the Vendee Globe race and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 168)

the Caribou Future Farmers of America Chapter in celebration of its 75th year. Officially chartered in May, 1930, the Caribou FFA Chapter is the oldest in Maine. Its inaugural president, J. Kenneth Blackstone, and the first female president, Linda Bourgoine, made it possible for future members to experience the growing diversity of the agricultural industry. Currently at 90 members, the organization is one of the largest chapters in Maine. We recognize the positive contributions that agriculture makes to our State's economy and we extend our best wishes to the Caribou FFA Chapter for success in the years to come; (HLS 169)

Dylan Johnson, of Howland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 64, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. For his Eagle Scout project, Dylan completed a tremendous amount of upgrade work at the Medford Town Office, which included installing a flag pole, a sign and landscaping the property. He also painted trim work and helped preserve town

records. We commend Dylan for his many dedicated hours of service to his community and extend our congratulations to him on this tremendous milestone and achieving this honor; (HLS 170)

Joshua Nelson, of Starks, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this accomplishment; (HLS 171)

Jessica Scribner, of Harrison, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 672, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jessica on this accomplishment; (HLS 172)

Kimberly Carmichael, of Westbrook, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kimberly on this accomplishment; (HLS 173)

Lauren Leavitt, of Falmouth, for her exemplary achievement in equestrian competition and for her efforts to raise money to eradicate breast cancer. In 2004, Lauren was ranked nationally by the United States Eventing Association as the top Junior Training Rider. She was selected for her skills in the equestrian disciplines of dressage, stadium jumping and cross country. Her horse, Lazerbeam, was also selected as the USEA Training Horse of 2004. Lauren has dedicated her 2005 competition season to raise money to help to defeat breast cancer. She has been actively seeking pledges for each horse trial in which she competes to support her "Ride With Me" Campaign. "Ride With Me" is a project created by Lauren to support the Pink Pony Fund, a fund created by Ralph Lauren to support research and treatment for breast cancer. We congratulate Lauren on a very successful 2004 season and we applaud her unselfish efforts in raising money to help defeat breast cancer; (HLS 174)

Roger Rowling, Jr., of Owls Head, who has been named Chamberperson of the Year by the Rockland-Thomaston Area Chamber of Commerce. The annual award recognizes a person who, through professional and civic deeds, has greatly improved the quality of community life. Roger has been Director of the Maine Lobster Festival for 13 years; a member of the Elks Lodge for 20 years; has been active in the Rockland Little League; and has helped build playgrounds with the Rockland Kiwanis Club. We extend our congratulations to Roger on receiving this significant award; (HLS 175)

Nicholas E. Hannon, of Windham, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 805, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this accomplishment; (HLS 176)

Master Chief Petty Officer Donald A. Noyes, a native of Carmel and Hampden and past graduate of Hampden Academy, upon his retirement from the United States Navy. Master Chief Petty Officer Noyes has completed 26 years of service to his country, with 24 years in submarine operations. He has been an Acoustic Intelligence Specialist for the past 20 years. Since 2003, he has been the Leading Master Chief Petty Officer for submarine acoustic intelligence at the Office of Naval Intelligence in Washington, D.C. He was responsible for worldwide scheduling, training and supervision of all acoustic intelligence specialists. He has also provided operational intelligence briefings to Commanding Officers and Type Commanders. During his career, Master Chief Petty Officer Noyes has always

attained the highest level of personal and professional excellence. His last assignment attests to the confidence placed in him by his superiors. We extend our best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 177)

Kevin Brooks, of Hampden, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 41, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kevin on this accomplishment; (HLS 178)

Zachary Growe, of Hampden, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 41, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this accomplishment; (HLS 179)

William H. House, of Hollis Center, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 323, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to William on this accomplishment; (HLS 180)

Robert James Fisk, III, of Hollis, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 349, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Robert on this accomplishment; (HLS 181)

Robert D. Martin, of Buxton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 349, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Robert on this accomplishment; (HLS 182)

Benjamin Robert Roy, of Buxton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 349, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. For his Eagle Scout project, Benjamin refurbished a walking trail located in Buxton between the new town hall and the ball fields. We extend our congratulations to Benjamin on this accomplishment; (HLS 183)

Aaron McCague, of Rockwood, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 100, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Aaron on this accomplishment; (HLS 184)

Timothy Gilboe, of Jackman, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 497, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Timothy on this accomplishment; (HLS 185)

Charles Powell, Jr., of Jackman, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 497, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Charles on this accomplishment; (HLS 186)

Joshua Kipp, of Jackman, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 497, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this accomplishment; (HLS 187)

Sean Dubois, of Jackman, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 497, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Sean on this accomplishment; (HLS 188)

Melanie Arsenault, of Oxford, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 1073, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Melanie on this accomplishment; (HLS 189)

the Winslow High School Black Raiders Girls Basketball Team, on the occasion of their winning their first Class B State Championship Title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their victory; (HLS 190)

Justin Michael Freeman, of Winslow, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 433, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Justin on this accomplishment; (HLS 191)

Christopher Robert Fisher, of Winslow, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 433, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 192)

Petty Officer Robert Cepero, of Carmel, on receiving the Coast Guard's Enlisted Person of the Year award for 2004. In order to receive this award, a Coast Guard member must display outstanding performance and devotion to duty. Petty Officer Cepero was chosen among candidates who serve between the Penobscot River and the Canadian border. His peers refer to him as pro-active and quietly excellent in his duty. Petty Officer Cepero, a 12-year Coast Guard veteran, is the head engineer at the Coast Guard's Southwest Harbor Station and plans to retire in 2005. We extend to Petty Officer Cepero our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 193)

Brian Carle, of Hermon, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 25, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this accomplishment; (HLS 194)

Alyssa Parsons, of Oxford, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 1073, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Alyssa on this accomplishment; (HLS 195)

Joseph Foss, of Pembroke, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 136, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Joseph on this accomplishment; (HLS 196)

John Joseph Levesque, of Standish, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 99, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to John on this accomplishment; (HLS 197)

Joshua Robert Marzul, of Standish, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 156, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this accomplishment; (HLS 198)

the Bonny Eagle High School "Scots," of Standish, on winning the State Class A Cheerleading Championship; (HLS 199)

Benjamin Doty, of Comville, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 431, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Benjamin on this accomplishment; (HLS 200)

Erin Hamilton, of South Paris, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 1073, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Erin on this accomplishment; (HLS 201)

Lacey Coore, of South Paris, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 1073, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and

community service. We extend our congratulations to Lacey on this accomplishment; (HLS 202)

Michael Gosselin, of Raymond, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 805, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Michael on this accomplishment; (HLS 203)

Kim Carlton Blouin, of Springvale, a social worker at Sanford High School. Kim was a licensed clinical social worker who was an integral part of the school system, having worked as a school-based clinician and as program manager for Sweetser Services. She was widely known and appreciated in her community for her wit, wisdom and intelligence. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 204)

Jonathan Copp, of Lebanon, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 369, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 205)

Estin Harriman, of Orland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 102, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Estin on this accomplishment; (HLS 206)

Justin Stevens, of Oakland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 454, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Justin on this accomplishment; (HLS 207)

George Gehrling, of Oakland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 433, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to George on this accomplishment; (HLS 208)

Ray Casey Munroe, of Falmouth, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 93, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Ray on this accomplishment; (HLS 209)

Bruce Derrill Richards, of Falmouth, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 92, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Bruce on this accomplishment; (HLS 210)

Ryan Gaudet, of Perkins Township, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ryan on this accomplishment; (HLS 211)

Abigail Lafond, of Orrs Island, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Abigail on this accomplishment; (HLS 212)

Jonathan Wesley, of Phippsburg, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 213)

Jane Siviski, of Yarmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jane on this accomplishment; (HLS 214)

Christopher Drouin, of Yarmouth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 215)

Davis Asherman, of Yarmouth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Davis on this accomplishment; (HLS 216)

Thomas and Marion Huston, of Durham, on the occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary, March 9, 2005. A veteran of the United States Navy, Tom is retired after working 42 years at US Gypsum Company. He enjoys genealogy and building race cars for the Oxford Speedway. Marion is a wonderful homemaker and an avid hunter. She was the second woman in Maine to serve as a Maine Guide. She is also a devoted gardener and sports car enthusiast. They have 2 children, John and Pamela. We congratulate Tom and Marion on this special occasion and extend our best wishes to them; (HLS 217)

Michelle Smith, of Springvale, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Michelle on this accomplishment; (HLS 218)

Harry Lang, of Windham, beloved husband of Beverly, on the occasion of his 90th birthday, March 12, 2005. Mr. Lang is a World War II veteran. He represents the spirit of the Windham Veterans' Center as evidenced by his contribution in its organization. Mr. Lang is the organizer of the Veterans' Day parade in Windham. He was head of security for the Windham mall. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Lang on this very special occasion; (HLS 219)

Kayla Duquette, of North Monmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kayla on this accomplishment; (HLS 220)

Marissa Griswold, of North Monmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Marissa on this accomplishment; (HLS 221)

Nicole Paradis, of Monmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Nicole on this accomplishment; (HLS 222)

Jonathan Stanley, of Owls Head, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 200, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 223)

Jared Webber, of York, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 301, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Jared on this accomplishment; (HLS 224)

Richard J. Pierce, of Damariscotta, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 213, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Richard on this accomplishment; (HLS 225)

Jesse Page, of Greene, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 113, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jesse on this accomplishment; (HLS 226)

Brian Toothaker, of East Waterboro, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 399, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this accomplishment; (HLS 227)



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Spencer Perry, of Ashland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Spencer on this accomplishment; (HLS 228)

Leona Wooster, of Rockland, on the occasion of her 80th birthday, March 23, 2005. We congratulate Leona and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 229)

Esmael Ansari, of Brunswick, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Esmael on this accomplishment; (HLS 230)

Specialist Elizabeth Diezyk, of Swan's Island, a returning member of the Alpha Company of the Maine Army National Guard's 133rd Battalion. She served in Iraq from March 21, 2004 to February 20, 2005. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Diezyk home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 231)

Abraham Bates, of Westbrook, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Abraham on this accomplishment; (HLS 232)

Amy Bates, of Westbrook, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Amy on this accomplishment; (HLS 233)

Douglas James Joerss, of Augusta, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 603, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Douglas on this accomplishment; (HLS 234)

Mason Plummer, of Windham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Mason on this accomplishment; (HLS 235)

Gregory Swander, of Windham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Gregory on this accomplishment; (HLS 236)

Nicholas Meltzer, of Limerick, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 329, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this accomplishment; (HLS 237)

Henry McCorkle, of Topsham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Henry on this accomplishment; (HLS 238)

Jamie Mauro, of Topsham, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jamie on this accomplishment; (HLS 239)

Casey Ballard, of Topsham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development,

leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Casey on this accomplishment; (HLS 240)

Joseph Leaver, of Topsham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Joseph on this accomplishment; (HLS 241)

Matthew Jeffrey Ciampa, of York, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 314, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Matthew on this accomplishment; (HLS 242)

Corey Thomas Hirn, of Sanford, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 317, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Corey on this accomplishment; (HLS 243)

Carla Henault, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 2184, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Carla on this accomplishment; (HLS 244)

Valerie Henault, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 2184, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Valerie on this accomplishment; (HLS 245)

Caitlin Ramsay, of Lisbon Falls, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 514, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Caitlin on this accomplishment; (HLS 246)

Kaitlyn Hunter, of Lisbon Falls, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 514, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kaitlyn on this accomplishment; (HLS 247)

Elizabeth Hunter, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 2180, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Elizabeth on this accomplishment; (HLS 248)

Gwenne Hunter, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 514, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Gwenne on this accomplishment; (HLS 249)

Bethany Williams, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 225, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Bethany on this accomplishment; (HLS 250)

Monique Schafer, of Lisbon Falls, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 514, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for

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excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Monique on this accomplishment; (HLS 251)

Andrew Robert Daniel Gagnon, of Arundel, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 330, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this accomplishment; (HLS 252)

Dewey Jonathan Ward, of Kennebunk, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 304, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Dewey on this accomplishment; (HLS 253)

the Maine Warden Service, on the 125th Anniversary of its creation, March, 9, 2005. In 1880, the 59th Maine State Legislature enacted legislation to expand the duties of previous Commissioners of Fisheries to include enforcement of all matters pertaining to game as well as fisheries, creating the position of State Game Warden as we know it today. The Maine Warden Service was given the task of protecting our fish and wildlife resources and given the responsibility of conducting search and rescue missions for persons lost in Maine's vast woods and on Maine's inland waters. Since 1880, 14 members of the Maine Warden Service have given their life in the line of duty as Maine Wardens, the highest price paid by any one law enforcement agency in the State of Maine. We recognize the Maine Warden Service on this anniversary and we extend our appreciation to the past and present members of the Service for their efforts in protecting Maine's greatest resources; (HLS 254)

Bridgett Costanzo, of Lisbon, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 514, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Bridgett on this accomplishment; (HLS 255)

Peggi Stevens, art teacher in Brooklin, recipient of the 2005 MMAE Bill Bonyun Artist/Educator Award. This annual award is given to an artist, educator or community member who has made a significant contribution to the arts in schools, shown outstanding commitment and dedicated service in arts education, exemplified talent and professionalism as an artist and been an inspiration to students, teachers and the community. We commend Peggi's many contributions in the furtherance of art education and appreciation and we extend our congratulations to her; (HLS 256)

John MacKenzie, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to John on this accomplishment; (HLS 257)

Andrew Hutchins, of Southport, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this accomplishment; (HLS 258)

Sarah Guethle, of Georgetown, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on this accomplishment; (HLS 259)

Jacob Peter O'Meara, of Milton Township, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 369, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jacob on this accomplishment; (HLS 260)

Kurt Randall, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kurt on this accomplishment; (HLS 261)

Derek Richardson, of Gorham, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Derek on this accomplishment; (HLS 262)

Stephen M. Goss, of Mechanic Falls, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Stephen on this accomplishment; (HLS 263)

Samantha Cotier, of Boothbay, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Samantha on this accomplishment; (HLS 264)

Johanna Marie Farnham, of East Boothbay, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Johanna on this accomplishment; (HLS 265)

Tyler Robert Burak, of Eliot, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 340, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Tyler on this accomplishment; (HLS 266)

Matthew Rice, of Orrington, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 15, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Matthew on this accomplishment; (HLS 267)

Sean Fitzsimons, of Turner, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 187, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Sean on this accomplishment; (HLS 268)

John Gallup, of Turner, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 187, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to John on this accomplishment; (HLS 269)

Daniel Gommel, of Lamoine, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 88, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this accomplishment; (HLS 270)

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Paul Mitchell, of Lamoine, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 88, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Paul on this accomplishment; (HLS 271)

Ethan Hunt, of Hancock, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 94, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ethan on this accomplishment; (HLS 272)

Jason L'Heureux, of Portland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jason on this accomplishment; (HLS 273)

Timothy Koster, of Portland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Timothy on this accomplishment; (HLS 274)

Matthew McKenney, of Portland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Matthew on this accomplishment; (HLS 275)

Lionel Gagnon, of Holden, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 21, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Lionel on this accomplishment; (HLS 276)

Justin Whitney, of Chester, a member of Venture Crew 250, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Justin on this accomplishment; (HLS 277)

Andre Tilton Lavoie, of Cumberland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 58, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Andre on this accomplishment; (HLS 278)

Chris Bellows, of Bucksport, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 82, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Chris on this accomplishment; (HLS 279)

Jonathan Harbison, of Houlton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 156, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 280)

Samuel Tweedie, of Houlton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 221, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and

community service. We extend our congratulations to Samuel on this accomplishment; (HLS 281)

Samantha Rivers, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Samantha on this accomplishment; (HLS 282)

Shauni Newell, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Shauni on this accomplishment; (HLS 283)

Brittany Fleming, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Brittany on this accomplishment; (HLS 284)

Krysonia Keene, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Krysonia on this accomplishment; (HLS 285)

Naomi White, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Naomi on this accomplishment; (HLS 286)

Crystal Thurlow, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Crystal on this accomplishment; (HLS 287)

Robin Tuominen, of Norway, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Robin on this accomplishment; (HLS 288)

Timothy Yeats Foran, of Cumberland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 58, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Timothy on this accomplishment; (HLS 289)

Dennis Lizotte, of Orrington, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Dennis on this accomplishment; (HLS 290)

Jake Antworth, of Orrington, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 44, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jake on this accomplishment; (HLS 291)

the Saco First Responders for their dedicated service in protecting life and property throughout the years. We extend our appreciation to them for their many selfless contributions; (HLS 292)

Joanne Kauzlarich, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Joanne on this accomplishment; (HLS 293)

Kaili Chapman, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kaili on this accomplishment; (HLS 294)

Christopher Boulos, of Cape Elizabeth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 295)

Andrew Marston, of Cape Elizabeth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this accomplishment; (HLS 296)

Samantha Montano, of Cape Elizabeth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Samantha on this accomplishment; (HLS 297)

Katie Mowles, of Cape Elizabeth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Katie on this accomplishment; (HLS 298)

Benjamin Salerno, of Cape Elizabeth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Benjamin on this accomplishment; (HLS 299)

Melissa Harney, of Cape Elizabeth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Melissa on this accomplishment; (HLS 300)

Ashley Barnett, of Cape Elizabeth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ashley on this accomplishment; (HLS 301)

Emily Doliner, of Cape Elizabeth, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Emily on this accomplishment; (HLS 302)

Michelle Fortier, of Lewiston, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Michelle on this accomplishment; (HLS 303)

Kevin Parsons, of Falmouth, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kevin on this accomplishment; (HLS 304)

Kyle Dupuis, of Lewiston, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development,

leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kyle on this accomplishment; (HLS 305)

James Libby, of Bangor, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to James on this accomplishment; (HLS 306)

Ruth Langton, of Edgecomb, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ruth on this accomplishment; (HLS 307)

Timothy Veilleux, of Belgrade, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Timothy on this accomplishment; (HLS 308)

Zachary Helm, of Palermo, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this accomplishment; (HLS 309)

Henry Jackson, of Oxford, on receiving a Special Award for Outstanding Service to the Fairs and to the Harness Racing Industry of Maine. This award was presented by the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs. Henry has worked for the Department of Agriculture for 34 years in various positions and currently serves as the Executive Director of the Maine Harness Racing Commission. Through the years he has been involved in the poultry and beef industries along with his duties at all levels of county fairs. He has devoted many hours of his personal time to ensure that the people of our State do not lose this important piece of our history. We extend our gratitude to Henry for his many years of dedication, support and involvement in the agricultural industry and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 310)

Althea Blake, of Pownal, whose public service to the town is legendary. A founding member and past president of the Firemen's Auxiliary, Althea also donated many hours of volunteer service to the Pownal Volunteer Fire Department. She was a founding member of the Pownal Scenic and Historical Society and was also an active participant in the formation of the Pownal Elementary School. For most of the 56 years she has lived in town, she has served as a ballot clerk, and for many years also assumed the responsibility of serving the warrant for town meetings. In addition, she was actively involved in fund-raising suppers for many of these groups. Her years of dedicated concern for the well-being of the town and its inhabitants is admirable. We acknowledge Althea's many selfless volunteer acts, all performed with her characteristic cheerful smile, and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 311)

David Biette, of Freeport, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to David on this accomplishment; (HLS 312)

Jonathan Britton, of Freeport, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 313)

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Ryan Roberts, of Waterville, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest rank in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ryan on this accomplishment; (HLS 314)

Faye O'Leary Hafford, of Allagash, on the occasion of her 80th birthday. This teacher and author contributed greatly to the spirit of her community and State through her contributions to family values, education, writing, forestry use and preservation, politics, activism and volunteerism, especially her most recent efforts in establishing the Allagash Public Library. We recognize Faye's many contributions and we congratulate her on the occasion of her 80th birthday; (HLS 315)

the following members of the Hermon High School Cheerleading Team, winners of the Eastern Maine Class B Cheerleading Championship: Heather Brady, Ashley Andrews, Jessica Andrews, Carey Bell, Danielle Brayley, Ashley Clark, Kristi Emery, Ashley Fairbanks, Monica Gallant, Sarah Gebert, Meagan Keith, Samantha Nightengale, Kelsey Petrello, Nicole Vincent, Lauren Kimball, Krista Helms and Coach Lisa Pratt. We extend our congratulations to the team and extend our best wishes for future successes; (HLS 316)

Kyle Lad, of Glenburn, a student at John Bapst Memorial High School, who was recognized as one of the top scoring students on the Maine Educational Assessment exams. He ranks among the top one-third of 1 percent of the 15,000 juniors who took the exam. We extend our congratulations to Kyle and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (HLS 317)

Elsie Rogers, of Damariscotta and formerly of Round Pond, on the occasion of her 106th birthday. We congratulate her on achieving this milestone; (HLS 318)

Christa Thorpe, of Newcastle, on being named as one of the top 2 youth volunteers in Maine for 2005 and receiving the Prudential Spirit of Community Award. A senior at Lincoln Academy, she raised funds to travel to Bangladesh to teach English to disadvantaged children. We are proud of Christa's unselfish acts of volunteerism and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 319)

the Millinocket Regional Hospital, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, April 4, 2005. Construction of the hospital began in March 1954 and in March of the following year more than 3000 visitors toured the modern facility. The private, non-profit regional health system serves the Katahdin area and has an excellent reputation. The Millinocket Regional Hospital is continually upgrading to be proactive in meeting the needs of the people it serves and we applaud the efforts of all those, past and present, who have played a role in the creation of this important facility; (HLS 320)

Lisa Kranich, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Stearns High School. She shares the honor with 3 classmates, all of whom achieved a 4.0 average. We congratulate Lisa on her many scholastic accomplishments and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 321)

Trisha MacDonald, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Stearns High School. She shares the honor with 3 classmates, all of whom achieved a 4.0 average. We congratulate Trisha on her many scholastic accomplishments and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 322)

Janessa Nason, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Stearns High School. She shares the honor with 3 classmates, all of whom achieved a 4.0 average. We congratulate Janessa

on her many scholastic accomplishments and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 323)

Samuel Stahl, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Stearns High School. He shares the honor with 3 classmates, all of whom achieved a 4.0 average. We congratulate Samuel on his many scholastic accomplishments and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 324)

Dick Hall, of Wilton, recipient of the 2005 President's Award. He has been an officer and director of the Maine Agricultural Association of Fairs for the last 14 years. For 6 years he has served as a fair evaluator and has testified at legislative hearings. Dick helped his grandfather, the late Ralph Hall, in the pulling ring and assumed the role of pulling superintendent after his grandfather's death. He has held this position at Fryeburg Fair for the past 12 years. We congratulate Dick on his accomplishments and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 325)

Joseph Stilwell, of Jefferson, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Joseph on this accomplishment; (HLS 326)

Brian S. Mason, of Whitefield, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this accomplishment; (HLS 327)

Stanley and Eva Spaulding, of Mexico, on the occasion of their 70th wedding anniversary, March 3, 2005. We congratulate Stanley and Eva and extend our best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 328)

Judy Ayotte Paradis, of Frenchville, on her induction into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame. One of few women from Aroostook County so honored, she is now immortalized along with United States Senator Margaret Chase Smith; Olympic Gold Medal Winner Joan Benoit; first female Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, Elizabeth Mitchell; and former State Senator Chellie Pingree. Well known for her tireless advocacy for people in need, Judy served several years as a French high school teacher in the St. John Valley, instilling self-respect and confidence in her students, especially those in most need of help. As a state legislator for 14 years, she continued her mission of making life better for the residents of Maine. She especially distinguished herself as Senate Chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services, where she presided over endorsements of landmark legislation such as the Maine RX Program and medical insurance coverage for children and the elderly. Even after being term-limited out of the Legislature in 2000, she has continued her exemplary service to people through her membership on several boards and committees. Judy has earned the respect and gratitude of people throughout Maine and we congratulate her on this most recent honor; (HLS 329)

Patrick Allred, of Richmond, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Patrick on this accomplishment; (HLS 330)

Sarah Williams, of Richmond, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on this accomplishment; (HLS 331)

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Rachel Carter, of Richmond, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Rachel on this accomplishment; (HLS 332)

Micheline Roy, of Augusta, on the occasion of her 80th Birthday, March 19, 2005, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 333)

Mary Lou Smith, of Whitefield, on the occasion of her retirement from the Office of the Revisor of Statutes after 18 years of dedicated service to the Maine State Legislature. Mary Lou started on January 5, 1987 as a Legal Proofreader and is retiring as a Senior Engrossing Proofreader. We acknowledge her exemplary service to the State of Maine and we extend our best wishes to her for a happy retirement; (HLS 334)

Dorothy Mae Bowring, of South Portland, a strong, caring and hard-working woman whose love and loyalty for her family were boundless. During World War II, Dorothy was one of the patriotic women who went to work for the war effort at the South Portland Shipyard as a welder. Following the war she worked as a waitress at many fine restaurants, most notably at George's Deli in Monument Square for 18 years. She then started a new chapter in her life working with children. She became a foster grandmother through the Foster Grandparents Program, assisting teachers with the daily activities of children. This family matriarch's legacy of community involvement was passed on to her family members. We join her family and friends in mourning her loss; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 335)

Sergeant Timothy Vashon, of Newport, who recently returned home after a 15-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 133rd Engineer Battalion is a combat-heavy engineer unit that is similar to a large construction company capable of completing large-scale projects. While in Iraq, the 133rd participated in numerous challenging projects, including rebuilding a school and a municipal building and installing new roads in the Town of Dianyah while helping Iraq become a safe, prosperous and democratic nation. We commend Sergeant Vashon for his leadership and exemplary performance and bravery and we extend our gratitude for his service and allegiance; (HLS 336)

Sergeant John Hunt, of St. Albans, who recently returned home after a 15-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 133rd Engineer Battalion is a combat-heavy engineer unit that is similar to a large construction company capable of completing large-scale projects. While in Iraq, the 133rd participated in numerous challenging projects, including rebuilding a school and a municipal building and installing new roads in the Town of Dianyah while helping Iraq become a safe, prosperous and democratic nation. We commend Sergeant Hunt for his leadership and exemplary performance and bravery and we extend our gratitude for his service and allegiance; (HLS 337)

Staff Sergeant Brian Wilson, of Dixmont, who recently returned home after a 15-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 133rd Engineer Battalion is a combat-heavy engineer unit that is similar to a large construction company capable of completing large-scale projects. While in Iraq, the 133rd participated in numerous challenging projects, including rebuilding a school and a municipal building and installing new roads in the Town of Dianyah while helping Iraq become a safe, prosperous and democratic nation. Furthermore, as evidenced by his receipt of a Purple Heart Award, Staff Sergeant Wilson's unwavering dedication is unmatched. We commend him for his leadership and exemplary performance and

bravery and we extend our gratitude for his service and allegiance; (HLS 338)

Sergeant Leland Melanson, of Plymouth, who recently returned home after a 15-month deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The 133rd Engineer Battalion is a combat-heavy engineer unit that is similar to a large construction company capable of completing large-scale projects. While in Iraq, the 133rd participated in numerous challenging projects, including rebuilding a school and a municipal building and installing new roads in the Town of Dianyah while helping Iraq become a safe, prosperous and democratic nation. We commend Sergeant Melanson for his leadership and exemplary performance and bravery and we extend our gratitude for his service and allegiance; (HLS 339)

David Allen and the students in his science classes at Rockland District High School on the success of a recent science project. Mr. Allen and the students in his freshman and sophomore science classes used a ham radio to make contact with the International Space Station. Students spoke with astronaut Leroy Chiao, who is on a 6-month NASA mission and who was more than 300 miles above the Earth's surface. We congratulate Mr. Allen and the students on this creative venture and we extend our best wishes on their future endeavors in education; (HLS 340)

Christopher Ryan Hudnor, of Brunswick, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 202, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Christopher collected money to finish 2 closets and install shelving at the new Red Cross building in Topsham. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 341)

Specialist Ian Cowett, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Cowett served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Cowett for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Cowett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 342)

Dorothy Greenlaw, of Dover-Foxcroft, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, April 9, 2005. Born in Bristol, she taught school for 48 years. She was also a hospital volunteer for many years and joined the Miosac Club in 1936. She is an active volunteer at the Thompson Free Library and a member and supporter of the Dover-Foxcroft Historical Society. She joined the Dover-Foxcroft Congregational Church in 1932 and is the oldest living member. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Greenlaw on this centennial celebration of her life and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 343)

Matthew Fowler, of Presque Isle, student at Presque Isle High School, who was recognized as one of the top scoring students on the Maine Educational Assessment exams. He ranks among the top one-third of one percent of the 15,000 students who took the exam. We extend our congratulations to Matthew and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (HLS 344)

Rachel Dicker, of Presque Isle, a student at Presque Isle High School, who was recognized as one of the top scoring students on the Maine Educational Assessment exams. She ranks among the top one-third of one percent of the 15,000 students who took

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the exam. We extend our congratulations to Rachel and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (HLS 345)

Robert Morrill, of Windham, for his many years of service to the Cumberland County Fair and the people of Maine. Robert, past President of the Cumberland County Fair, was responsible for many capital improvements at the fairgrounds, including the horse and cattle barns. Despite his current confinement to a wheelchair, Robert has been a vital and dedicated contributor towards the success of the fair. We are grateful to him for his many contributions and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 346)

Pat Morrill, of Windham, for her many years of service to the Cumberland County Fair and the people of Maine. Pat managed the Exhibition Hall and the Harness Horse Blanket Trophy Program. We appreciate her spirit of volunteerism and extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 347)

Stanley Hall, of Windham, for his many years of service to the Cumberland County Fair and the people of Maine. Stanley, a former legislator, was past President of the Cumberland County Fair and Maine Harness Horseman of the year in 1979. He is also responsible for many capital improvements at the fairgrounds. We are grateful to him for his many contributions to the success of the fair and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 348)

Ruth Norton, of Windham, for her many years of service to the Cumberland County Fair and the people of Maine. Ruth is a 65-year veteran of the fair. She continues to volunteer and was voted a lifetime honorary member. Her husband, the late Loring Norton, was a former President of the Cumberland County Fair. We appreciate Ruth's many contributions to the success of the fair and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 349)

Mary Hall, of Windham, for her many years of service to the Cumberland County Fair Farmer's Club and to the people of Maine. Mary is a lifetime Honorary Member of the Cumberland County Fair and is also the Exhibition Hall Coordinator. We are grateful for Mary's many contributions to the success of the fair and we extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 350)

Jeremy Caron, of Lewiston, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jeremy on this accomplishment; (HLS 351)

Staff Sergeant Ronald Greene, of Plymouth, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SSGT Greene served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. His unwavering dedication is unmatched as evidenced by his receipt of the Purple Heart. We commend SSGT Greene for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT Greene home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 352)

Specialist Travis Lane, of Monroe, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like SPC Lane who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Lane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 353)

Sergeant First Class Ronald Spencer, of West Gardiner, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-

152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SFC Spencer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 354)

Staff Sergeant Mark Rediker, of Levant, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SSGT Rediker served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SSGT Rediker for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT Rediker home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 355)

First Lieutenant John T. Wilmot, of Casco, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq, where he served as a Military Police Officer and Squad Leader. First Lieutenant Wilmot served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison and Camp Bucca, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend First Lieutenant Wilmot for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Lieutenant Wilmot home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 356)

Private Second Class Eric T. Willett, of Winslow, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming PV2 Willett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 357)

Specialist Peter L. Paradis, of Winslow, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Paradis home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 358)

Specialist Kenneth Roy, of Winslow, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Roy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 359)

Sergeant First Class Stephen Soucy, of Winslow, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SFC Soucy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 360)

Thomas J. DiBiasco, of Winthrop, and formerly of Monmouth. After moving to Maine from New Jersey in 1985, Mr. DiBiasco was employed by MSAD #52 in the maintenance department. He then became supervisor of buildings and grounds for MSAD #16. Most recently he was the director of maintenance for Bath Public Schools, retiring in June 2004. Mr. DiBiasco was an active member of the United Church of Monmouth, serving as treasurer for several years; the Monmouth Water Association, serving as president for several years; and the Monmouth Lions Club where he served both as treasurer and president. A favorite activity was chairing the annual Monmouth Lions Thanksgiving dinner for senior citizens. This beloved husband, father and grandfather will be sadly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 361)

the members of the Lewiston High School Hockey Team, who won the Class A Eastern Maine Championship. We commend the players on their teamwork and sportsmanship. We extend our appreciation to the players and their coaches for their many positive contributions to the Lewiston community. We send our congratulations to the team members on their outstanding performance on and off the ice and their successful season; (HLS 362)

David E. Adams, of Auburn, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Adams had many passions in life, including politics, scouting, cars and collectible toys. He served on the Auburn City Council, the Auburn Sewage Board, the Charter Commission and the State Real Estate Licensing Board. He was an Eagle Scout, a Cubmaster and a Scoutmaster. He operated Dad's Toys for several years. Mr. Adams was always willing to help, talk or just listen and will be remembered as everyone's friend with a big smile and a bigger heart. We join his family and friends in mourning his loss; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 363)

Martin Walsh, of Waterville, a beloved teacher and well-respected coach. Born in Portland, Mr. Walsh graduated from Cheverus High School and later received his Master's degree in education at the University of Maine at Orono. He began his teaching career in the early 1960s as a math teacher, history teacher and basketball coach. In 1970, he accepted a position at Williams Junior High School in Oakland, where he taught and coached basketball until 1994. He had an advanced mathematics award named for him by Williams Junior High School. The year he retired, the graduating class at Williams Junior High School dedicated the yearbook to him. He was an active member of the Elks Lodge in Waterville and was named Elk of the Year in 1983. We acknowledge his dedicated contributions to his profession and his community. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends and former students; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 364)

Arthur M. Griffiths, of Monmouth, beloved husband of Lois, his wife of 56 years. Arthur's career took many different paths, including being headmaster at Limington Academy, proprietor of a feed store in Newport and a broadcaster at radio and television stations in Waterville and Lewiston. For 19 years he served as Director of the News Bureau at Bates College. He pursued a career in printing and publications at Twin City Printery in Lewiston and later founded the Monmouth Press. He was a well-known and caring citizen who took an active role in civic affairs, including the school committee, planning board, budget committee and appeals board. A gifted public speaker and accomplished parliamentarian, he enjoyed presiding over special town meetings, the Cochewagan Agricultural Association, the Arnold Expedition Historical Society, the Maine Old Cemetery Association, the Monmouth Historical Society and he also served on the board of trustees of the Maine Genealogical Society. Arthur was a 32nd degree Mason and was Past Master of Rabboni Lodge #150 in Lewiston. He was editor of "The Maine Mason" and president of the Androscoggin Valley Square and Compass Club for many years. He pursued many interests including woodworking, photography, computers and sailing. Arthur proudly devoted his professional and personal energies for the betterment of citizens in his community and State and he will be fondly remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 365)

Julian Beale III, of Belgrade, who has distinguished himself as an advocate of firearm safety for youth in the Augusta area. He founded the Capital City Junior Rifle Program 30 years ago. Mr. Beale is a volunteer coach for the rifle teams of Cony High School and Gardiner High School. He is the volunteer

coordinator of the rifle matches for the Junior Olympics in Colorado and also serves as volunteer range director for the National Smallbore Matches in Ohio. Mr. Beale will be conducting his 30th awards banquet for his students at the Calumet Club on April 16th. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Beale for everything he has done for the youth in the State and the country; (HLS 366)

Sergeant First Class James R. Rancourt, of Sabattus, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer Battalion. SFC Rancourt recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq, among many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend SFC Rancourt for his exemplary performance and extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and Country. We send him our best wishes for his transition back into civilian life; (HLS 367)

Walter Leon Stevens, of Georgetown, a Veteran of the United States Army and fisherman for many years. He was an enthusiastic pioneer of new ideas and technology in his occupation. Health problems eventually forced his complete retirement but Walter continued being a folk historian for the Georgetown area. Whether sharing his knowledge or fishing gear, he was always generous, often helping others start their own fishing careers. Walter, who will be remembered for his unflagging good cheer and deep love for family, will be missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 368)

Edward R. DiBiase, a lifelong resident of Portland. He was employed in construction for many years, working for Aceto Construction Company and Romano Construction Company as a cement worker. His jobs included underground sewage lines and bridges throughout the city. He later served as a crossing guide, guiding Baxter Elementary School students to safety for nearly a decade. He loved the children who loved him in return and would call him "Grampy" when they met in the community. Mr. DiBiase dearly loved his family, the Red Sox and vegetable gardening. He will be sadly missed by his family, friends and by all those whose lives he touched in a special way; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 369)

James H. White, of Orono, who has been named Maine's 2005 Middle Level Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. This award recognizes one middle level principal annually for effective leadership, a commitment to academic excellence, high expectations and standards, creating a culture that supports learning, contributions to the profession and community service. As principal of Center Drive School in Orrington, Mr. White has earned a reputation of having established a true learning community. During his 20 years at the school, he has implemented high academic, behavioral and social standards. Mr. White is a member of the Maine Principals' Association professional development and retirement committees and is also a member of the New England League of Middle Schools, the Maine Association of Middle Level Education and is President of the Penobscot Valley Middle League. He is a member of the Northeast Regional Principals' Association and the Hancock County Administrative Support System. We commend Mr. White for his dedication to education and children and wish him many more years of success; (HLS 370)

Private First Class Christian King, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. PFC King served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend PFC King for



his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming PFC King home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 371)

Specialist Christopher Hynick, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Hynick served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Hynick for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Hynick home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 372)

Sergeant Ronald Cohen, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SGT Cohen served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SGT Cohen for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Cohen home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 373)

Specialist Larry Cochran, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Cochran served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Cochran for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Cochran home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 374)

Sergeant First Class Trevor Bennett, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SFC Bennett served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SFC Bennett for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SFC Bennett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 375)

Private First Class Joshua A. Thomas, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. PFC Thomas served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend PFC Thomas for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming PFC Thomas home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 376)

Specialist Ryan Merritt, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Merritt served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Merritt for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Merritt home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 377)

Staff Sergeant Michael McAfee, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SSGT McAfee served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SSGT McAfee for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT McAfee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 378)

Specialist Timothy J. O'Donnell, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC O'Donnell served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC O'Donnell for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC O'Donnell home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 379)

Specialist Cheyenne Polchies, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Polchies served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Polchies for her exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Polchies home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 380)

Staff Sergeant Matthew Quint, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SSGT Quint served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SSGT Quint for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT Quint home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 381)

Specialist Dana Sanford, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Sanford served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Sanford for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Sanford home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 382)

Specialist Joshua Bennett, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Bennett served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Bennett for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Bennett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 383)

Specialist Eric Anderson, of Houlton, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Anderson served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other

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security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Anderson for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Anderson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 384)

Sergeant First Class James S. Tash, of Hodgdon, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SFC Tash served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SFC Tash for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SFC Tash home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 385)

Specialist Nicholas Quint, of Hodgdon, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Quint served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Quint for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Quint home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 386)

Specialist Michael Quint, of Hodgdon, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Quint served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Quint for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Quint home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 387)

Sergeant Philip D. Putnam, of Cary Plantation, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SGT Putnam served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SGT Putnam for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Putnam home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 388)

Reid B. Hayward, of North Yarmouth. Mr. Hayward was a graduate of Greely Institute and Bentley College and was a Certified Public Accountant for the Portland Company until his retirement after 35 years of service. He was a strong supporter of Greely Institute over the years and was a member of the Cumberland-North Yarmouth School District Board of Directors for several terms. He was very active in his community serving on different committees and helping to preserve lands in town for future generations. He was a member of Westcustogo Grange. He will be missed by his neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 389)

Albert G. Mahar, of Dennysville, on the occasion of his 95th birthday, March 31, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this very special occasion; (HLS 390)

Specialist Michael Ward, of Nobleboro, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Ward home and in

extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 391)

Frederick Merrill, of West Gardiner, for his dedication and service to the West Gardiner community and MSAD #11. Mr. Merrill served on the MSAD #11 Board of Directors from 1990 to 2005. He served as vice-chair as well as chairing the subcommittees of Long Range Planning and Negotiations. He was invaluable during the construction of 3 new schools and additions to 5 schools, as well as the renovations of the Central Office of the school district. We acknowledge his contributions to his community and to the State, and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 392)

the Glenburn School Math Team, whose Grade 6 Team 1 has won a First Place Team Award at the Fall Math Meet sponsored by the Eastern Maine Math League. We send our congratulations to the following student members of the team: Andrew Nesbitt, Justin Lad, P.J. Turner and Jennifer Cormier; (HLS 393)

Patrick Hall, of Glenburn, a student on the Glenburn School Math Team, who won Second Place in the Grade 7 Individual Award at the Fall Math Meet sponsored by the Eastern Maine Math League. We send Patrick our congratulations on his impressive achievement; (HLS 394)

Andrew Nesbitt, of Glenburn, a student on the Glenburn School Math Team who won a First Place Grade 6 Individual Award at the Fall Math Meet sponsored by the Eastern Maine Math League. We send Andrew our congratulations on his impressive achievement; (HLS 395)

Andrew Trundy, of Glenburn, who has been named to the *Maine Sunday Telegram* All-State Football Team, one of 24 players to be placed on the team. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this achievement and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 396)

Derek "Hugging Bear" Hinkley, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize his pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Derek on his accomplishments; (HLS 397)

Amanda Bailey, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Amanda on her accomplishments; (HLS 398)

Kimberly Bailey, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Kimberly on her accomplishments; (HLS 399)

Teisha Loesberg, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The

Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Teisha on her accomplishments; (HLS 400)

Katelin Brown, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Katelin on her accomplishments; (HLS 401)

Sadam Abdi, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize his pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Sadam on his accomplishments; (HLS 402)

Rosaria Blondin, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Rosaria on her accomplishments; (HLS 403)

Yunis Awmaalin, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize his pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Awmaalin on his accomplishments; (HLS 404)

Sonya Strout, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Sonya on her accomplishments; (HLS 405)

Zack Tupper, of Lisbon, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize his pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Zack on his accomplishments; (HLS 406)

Shelley Mumau, of Hartford, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of

hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Shelley on her accomplishments; (HLS 407)

Sarah Beaulieu, of Wales, who is the recipient of the Many and One Young Community Builders Award given by the Many and One Coalition to recognize her pursuit of universal human rights in the communities of Lewiston and Auburn. The Many and One Coalition works for the end of racism and all forms of hatred, prejudice, discrimination and oppression in our communities and for the construction of safe, peaceful and just communities for everyone. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on her accomplishments; (HLS 408)

Sergeant Nicholas A. St. Amand, of Lisbon, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Combat Engineering Battalion stationed in Iraq. We commend Sgt. St. Amand for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sgt. St. Amand home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 409)

Specialist William Bartman, of Smyrna, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Bartman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 410)

Specialist Ralph Bartman, of Smyrna, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Bartman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 411)

Specialist Richard Mayberry, of Smyrna, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Mayberry home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 412)

Specialist Steven Beaulieu, of New Limerick, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Beaulieu home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 413)

Specialist Michael P. MacArthur, of Crystal, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC MacArthur home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 414)

Specialist Scott Horton, of Sherman Station, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Horton home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 415)

Specialist Charles Heath, of Sherman Station, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Heath home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 416)

Sergeant Calvin Bishop, of New Limerick, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field

Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Bishop home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 417)

Sergeant Richard Schmidt III, of New Patten, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Schmidt home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 418)

Specialist Mark D. Chapman, of Lisbon, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Combat Engineering Battalion stationed in Iraq. We commend Spc. Chapman for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Spc. Chapman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 419)

Specialist Joseph D. Schreiber, of Lisbon, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Combat Engineering Battalion stationed in Iraq. We commend Spc. Schreiber for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Spc. Schreiber home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 420)

Roy A. Quint, a beloved resident of Hodgdon. Mr. Quint was a veteran of World War II, serving in Europe alongside 3 of his 4 brothers. He returned from the war and married Maxine, who was his wife for 57 years. Of the 5th generation to live in Hodgdon, he raised his own family in the house in which he was born. He served his community and family as a potato farmer and due to his successful and extensive knowledge of farming, the Quint Farm is still doing well under his son, Randy. We acknowledge his dedication to his family, his community, his State and Nation, and we join with his family in celebrating his life. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 421)

Sarah Warner, of Winthrop, for winning the Central Region 6th-grade essay contest of the Maine Space Grant Consortium. Sarah attends the Winthrop Middle School in Winthrop, and her First Prize essay permits her to attend Space Camp in Alabama courtesy of the consortium. We send Sarah our congratulations on her winning essay and our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 422)

Wayne Knapp, of New Vineyard, on his retirement after 29 years as a teacher at Mt. Abram High School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Knapp for his dedicated commitment to the youth of the State and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 423)

John Nichols, of Oquossoc, on his retirement after 18 years as a teacher at Stratton Elementary School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Nichols for his dedicated commitment to the youth of the State and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 424)

Lois Barker, of Strong, on her retirement after 17 years as a teacher at Kingfield Elementary School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Barker for her dedicated commitment to the youth of the State and wish her the best in her future endeavors; (HLS 425)

Brian Dodge, of Strong, on his retirement after 30 years as a teacher at Mt. Abram High School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Dodge for his dedicated commitment to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 426)

Jeffrey Wells, Sr., of Farmington, on his retirement after 15 years as a teacher at Strong Elementary School. We extend our

appreciation to Mr. Wells for his dedicated commitment to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 427)

the members of the Hampden Academy Boys Cross-country Team, who won the 2004 Eastern Maine Class B Championship: Ben Bouchard, Kevin Brown, Mike Brown, Evan Farley, Simon Hanson, Craig Harrison, Dan MacLean, Aaron McCollough and Chris Peverada and coach Richard Balentine. We extend our congratulations to the team and extend our best wishes to them for future successes; (HLS 428)

the following members of the Hampden Academy Mock Trial Team, who won the 2004 State High School Mock Trial Competitions: Lauren Hartz, John White, Jennifer Swalec, Amy Dumont, Morgan Silva, Scott Simpson, Katie Lawler, Caroline Samp, Becca Workman, Sam Dow, Peter Herrick, Paige Clifton, Lauren Sturdivant, Stefanie Veneziano, Sophie Kelmenson, Lauren Swalec, Sam Wood, Kaylie Reese, Zach Boyd, Kristina King, Logan Deane, Jessi Hackett and Rachel Lawler; coaches William Devoe and James McCarthy and faculty advisor Kathryn King. The team continues its display of superior performance and understanding of courtroom procedures as this was their fourth triumph in the last 5 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team's 23 members as they go on to represent Maine at the National Mock Trial Competitions in May in Charlotte, North Carolina; (HLS 429)

the following members of the Hampden Academy Boys Soccer Team, who won the 2004 Eastern Maine Class A State Championship: Peter Alexander, Trevor Campbell, Bennett Chabot, Andre Cushing, Patrick Deighan, Sam Dow, Martin Earley, Scott Hiller, Nattapong Kongsuriya, Joshua McNutt, Matthew Pierce, Jeffrey Prymowicz, Alex Reynolds, Jirapong Sankla, William Shannon, Max Silver, J Uhrin and Keith Zanardi and coach Ryan Shaw. We extend our congratulations to the team and extend our best wishes to them for future successes; (HLS 430)

the following members of the Hampden Academy Boys Basketball Team, who won the 2005 Class A State Championship: Nate Aurelio, Jordan Cook, Brad Evans, Evan Farley, Sam Hodgdon, Daniel McCue, Josh McNutt, Blaine Meehan, Pat Moran, Tyler Ross, Max Silver and J Uhrin and coach Russ Bartlett. This is the team's first state title. We extend our congratulations to the team and extend our best wishes to them for future successes; (HLS 431)

Virginia Williams, of Gorham, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, February 15, 2005. We extend our congratulations to her on this very special occasion; (HLS 432)

the members of the Dexter Regional High School Boys Basketball Team, who won the Class C Eastern Maine Championship. Members of the team are: Aaron Woodman, Brad Lavin, Nick Peirce, Eric Day, Matt Murray, Mark Pullen, Sam Bowers, Chris Rabideau, Brandon Woodman, Craig Sylvester, Adam Eastman, Ryan Martin, Tim McCarthy, Steve Robinson and Ben Spizuoco and coaches Peter Murray and Gary Williams and managers Rebecca Fick, Mindy Harding, Tim Lary, Shari Nickerson and Ashley Watson. All the team members are to be commended for their efforts and hours of dedication. We wish them continued success in the years to come; (HLS 433)

the members of the Dexter Regional High School Girls Basketball Team, who won the Class C Eastern Maine Championship. Members of the team are: Mallory Ames, Chelsie Chambers, Nikki Chapman, Tracy Mountain, Nicci Burton, Meagan Fogarty, Sabrina Cote, Lindsay Burton, Vanessa Hartford, Brandi Alton, Katie Poirier, Megan Clukey and Ashley Ames and coach Jody Grant, assistant coach Lloyd Connors,

managers Holly Malo, Alicia Marquis and Katie Day. All the team members are to be commended for their efforts and hours of dedication. We wish them continued success in the years to come; (HLS 434)

Ashley Ames, of Dexter, a senior at Dexter Regional High School, in recognition of her career basketball scoring record of 1,690 points. As a team member of the Dexter Lady Tigers, Ashley displayed not only her superior basketball skills but her remarkable leadership abilities on and off the court. Her hours of dedication to the sport and to her team are to be commended and we wish her continued success in the years to come; (HLS 435)

Chloe Taub, daughter of Jeffrey and Valerie Taub of Castine, for winning the Midcoast Region 6th-grade essay contest of the Maine Space Grant Consortium. Chloe attends the Adams School in Castine and her First Prize essay on Mars permits her to attend Space Camp in Alabama courtesy of the Maine Space Grant Consortium. We send Chloe our congratulations on her winning essay and our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 436)

the following members of the John Bapst Memorial High School Chess Team, upon their winning the Maine State High School Championship for all classes, with a perfect 4-0 record: Brian Rand of Orrington, Joseph Lawlor of Holden, Ben Aramal of Carmel, Josh Andrews of Levant, Colin Campbell of Orrington, Conor Campbell of Orrington, David Jones of Orrington, Frank Kessler of Amherst, Ray Solinger of Eddington, Kevin Townsend of Orono, Jordon Trundy of Clifton, Murray Bridges of Amherst, Zack LaPierre of Milford, Matt Verosloff of Levant and Fritz Eyerer of Newburgh. In addition, the school's reserve team won the reserve state title for all classes. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the team on their achievements; (HLS 437)

Adam Craig, of Corinth, one of the top competitors in the National Off-Road Biking Association, finishing in 2nd Place in the time trial, 26th in the short-track race and 5th in the cross-country event and who now ranks 11th overall in the professional mountain biking circuit. We send him our congratulations on his accomplishments and extend our best wishes on his upcoming races in Belgium, Spain, Germany and Quebec; (HLS 438)

the Ronel J. Dubois Insurance Agency, of Sanford, on its 50th anniversary. Three generations of the Dubois family have served the residents and businesses of Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Mr. Dubois started as an insurance agent with the Mapes Insurance Agency in 1950. In 1952, Mr. Dubois purchased a half interest in the business, and in 1955 he purchased the company and changed its name to Ronel J. Dubois Agency. In 1968, Robert W. Dubois joined his father in the business, and in 2003 his daughter Michele Dubois joined the business. We extend our congratulations to the agency on this special occasion and wish it many more years of success; (HLS 439)

the following members of the Sanford High School Girls Basketball Team, who are runners-up in the 2005 Class A State Basketball Western Maine Regional Championship Western State Basketball Championship: Kayla Plante, Kym Hamilton, Alycia Laferte, Ashley Jean, Coleen Kumka, Celina Alexandre, Karyn Plante, Lauren L'Heureux, Beth Fredette, Ruthie Briggs, Kayla Parker, Stephanie LaFrance, Kayla Winsor and Marissa Laferte; coach Kristy Parent; and assistant coaches Nate Mann, Kendra Brown and Tracy Lizotte. We extend our congratulations to the team on its 15-5 season; (HLS 440)

the Sanford News on its 25th anniversary. Sanford's "Only Hometown Paper" started as a broadsheet with 8 columns but

has undergone many changes in design and content during the last 25 years. The paper has been recognized by the New England Press Association, the New England Newspaper Association and the Maine Press Association for writing, photography and general excellence. We extend our congratulations to the newspaper and its crew: Ellen Todd, Mitar Khalsa, John Cochin, Ann Fisher, Paul Dietterle, Lynne Dolan-Richard, Ej Hersom, Donna Bourque and owner George Foster and family and wish them many more years of service to the residents of Sanford; (HLS 441)

Specialist William Kolreg, of Oakland, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Kolreg served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Kolreg for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Kolreg home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 442)

Staff Sergeant Kimberly Elaine Jordan, of Dover-Foxcroft, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Jordan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Jordan home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 443)

Staff Sergeant Darrell Lee Spaulding, of Sangerville, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Spaulding who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Spaulding home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 444)

Sergeant Jeffrey Grivois, of Oakland, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SGT Grivois served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SGT Grivois for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Grivois home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 445)

Specialist Joseph Dorval, of Oakland, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. SPC Dorval served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SPC Dorval for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC Dorval home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 446)

Private First Class Matthew Proulx, of Oakland, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. PFC Proulx served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison,

performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend PFC Proulx for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming PFC Proulx home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 447)

Helen Dannels Wentworth, of Acton, on her 100th Birthday, March 31, 2005. Mrs. Wentworth was born in Newfield and married Norman Wentworth in 1929. Married for 62 years, Helen and Norman raised 3 children and she has 4 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. She started her 63-year teaching career in one-room schoolhouses at Young's Ridge and Fox's Ridge schools in Acton. Mrs. Wentworth is an active member of the Acton Congregational Church and the Acton-Shapleigh Historical Society and a lifetime member of the Rebekah Lodge. Her priorities in life have always been family, church and school. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Wentworth and join her many friends and her loving family to offer our best wishes on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 448)

the centennial anniversary of the Calais Rotary Club and the 80th anniversary of the international relationship between the Calais Club and the St. Stephen Rotary Club of New Brunswick. Rotary, the first community-based service organization, was formed in Chicago on February 23, 1905. It is now a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace throughout the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs located in 166 countries. Among the Rotary clubs, the Calais Club and the St. Stephen Club are unusual in that the values shared between the neighboring clubs are shared over an international border. We congratulate the Calais Rotary Club for its 100 years of service to our communities, our State and to international communities and extend our best wishes to the club; (HLS 449)

Staff Sergeant Michael Severance, formerly of Lee and San Angelo, Texas. Staff Sergeant Severance served with the 317th Airlift Unit with the Air Force and was stationed in Iraq. We honor his memory and commend his bravery and allegiance to the United States and extend our condolences to his family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 450)

Thomas Welch, of Hancock, upon the occasion of his departure as Chair of the Maine Public Utilities Commission after 12 years of service to the people of Maine. Educated in Philadelphia, he was a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School. He served as Assistant Professor at Villanova School of Law from 1978 to 1979 and from 1982 to 1991 served the Bell Atlantic Company, rising to the post of General Attorney in Washington, D.C. From 1991 to 1993, he served the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as Chief Deputy Attorney General for Antitrust. Appointed as Chair of the Maine Public Utilities Commission by Governor McKernan in 1993, he was reappointed by Governor King in 1999. Chairman Welch's tenure included the era of the greatest changes in the history of Maine's traditional utilities, marking the transition from monopoly to competition, enduring recessions and rising costs and encompassing the deregulation and restructuring of Maine's electrical industry, competition in telecommunications, consolidation of Maine's E-9-1-1 system, increased consumer education and energy conservation and creation of Maine's pioneering Schools and Libraries Fund to extend Internet access to all our communities. To such complex challenges in such difficult times Chairman Welch brought intelligence and grace,

patience and diligence. His efforts will benefit the 21st-century citizens of Maine, the "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 451)

Marty Pike, of Farmington, on his retirement after over 25 years of doing business in Farmington. Mr. Pike bought K & J Sports, originally Ferrari Brothers, in 1980. It is one of the oldest businesses in Farmington, tracing its roots back 110 years. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Pike on his retirement and we send him our best wishes on all his future endeavors; (HLS 452)

the Maine Troop Greeters, of Bangor, on the occasion of their 1,000th flight of troops greeted at Bangor International Airport. The greeters have welcomed 180,000 troops as they travel to and from harm's way. Their actions have comforted the young men and women of our armed forces and have brought great credit to Maine and the Bangor region. The greeters include: the Daniels family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rideout, Russ Treadwell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cushing, Bill Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Ron and Evelyn Bradman, Don Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Don and Gloria Gupta, Bud Tower, Al Dall, Joanne Black, Francis Zelz, Wayne Desjardins, Dee Winthrop Denning, Mr. and Mrs. John Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hardin, Norm Rossignol, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Reynolds, Pat Kelley, Harold Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Buzzell, Katherine Lebowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Banker, Rick Bradeen, Maxine Doucette, Joan Gaudett, Deb Bickford, Dwight Cressey, Don Mattson, Bill Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Joliat, Jerry Mundy, Donna Sorkin, Gordon Warren, Carol Ann Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Eckert and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Drew. We send them our appreciation for their efforts to comfort the troops and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 453)

Sergeant Darren MeHuren, of Brooks, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant MeHuren who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant MeHuren home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 454)

Staff Sergeant Wayne Manning, of Brooks, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Manning who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Manning home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 455)

Sergeant Randal Parker, of Brooks, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel

Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Parker who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Parker home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 456)

Sergeant Raymond Bryant, of Monroe, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Bryant who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Bryant home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 457)

Sergeant William Spaulding, of Brooks, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Spaulding who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Spaulding home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 458)

Private First Class Alan Feener, of Swanville, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Feener who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Feener home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 459)

Staff Sergeant Paul Harford, of Swanville, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Harford who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Harford home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 460)

Regina Erskine, of Portland, for her participation in the "Coast to Coast for Celiac" awareness campaign. Diagnosed with celiac disease in 2003, Ms. Erskine is seeking to raise money for research while working to educate the public on the ailment's

adverse effects. Her resilience in having run in 6 marathons, including the prestigious Boston Marathon, and also in hiking the entire Appalachian Trail in 1997 shows her ability to persevere through the toughest of challenges. As a Health Educator in the Portland Public Schools for the past 16 years, she is undoubtedly a role model for her students. We acknowledge her valiant efforts and wish her well in her battle against this difficult illness; (HLS 461)

Evan Jewel Weston, of Eastport, beloved 2-year-old son of Heron and Melinda (Maker) Weston, whose untimely passing has greatly saddened his community. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 462)

the Millinocket Rotary, District 7790, on the occasion of its 10th Anniversary. Rotary International is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. We salute the past presidents of the Millinocket Rotary for their efforts in creating a worthy community service: Wayne Scarano, 1995-1996; Beverly Pelletier, 1996-1997; Alan Pangburn, 1997-1998; Lona Gagnon, 1998-1999; Don Casko, 1999-2000; Larry Lankhorst, 2000-2001; Judy Ingersoll, 2001-2002; Patrick Seymour, 2002-2003; Carol Coffin, 2003-2004; and Wally Tapley, 2004-2005. We acknowledge Millinocket Rotary on its dedicated service to the community, and we extend our congratulations to the organization on its 10th anniversary; (HLS 463)

Sergeant Wesley Alton Peaslee, of Auburn, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Peaslee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Peaslee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 464)

Staff Sergeant Jerry Roland Ouellette, of Auburn, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Ouellette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Ouellette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 465)

Specialist Joshua Adam Douglass, of Auburn, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Douglass who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Douglass home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 466)

Gerald W. MacPherson, Sr., of South Berwick, who is the recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award given by the South Berwick Rotary. Since 1966 Mr. MacPherson has been a resident of South Berwick, where he and his wife Donna raised their 2 sons, Jerry Jr. and Wayne. Throughout the years, he has been engaged in community activities. He served 5 terms on the South Berwick Town Council with 7 years as chairman. For the last 45 years Mr. MacPherson has been employed with Rockingham Electrical Supply Co. We commend Mr. MacPherson for his many dedicated hours of service to his community and commend his willingness to take a leadership

role in local government. We extend our congratulations to him on this distinctive honor; (HLS 467)

Captain Phillip G. Trevino, of Auburn, who served in Iraq as 152 Forward Commander. Captain Trevino served with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward, which arrived home in Maine on February 13, 2005 after a 13-month deployment in Iraq. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his State and Nation, and we join all the citizens of Maine in welcoming him home; (HLS 468)

John L. Martin, of Eagle Lake, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Executive Assistant to the President at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. We send our appreciation to him for his 25 years of dedicated service and commitment to the university; (HLS 469)

Staff Sergeant Michael S. Rhoten, of Oxford, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq, where he served as a Military Police Officer and Squad Leader. SSGT Rhoten served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison and Camp Bucca, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend SSGT Rhoten for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT Rhoten home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 470)

Agnes (Daigle) Beaulieu, of Madawaska, who has been inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mrs. Beaulieu has been married to her husband, Cyril, for 60 years. They have 5 children, Daniel, Alfred, Cecilia, John and Claudette, 8 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Beaulieu assisted her husband in all of his enterprises, especially the St. John Valley Creamery and the Brunswick Bottling Company. In addition to her work in scouting, the PTA and the 4-H Club, she was a library volunteer until she went back to college and became the librarian for the Madawaska schools. She is a lifelong learner. She served on countless commissions and community boards. She was involved in the Save Our French movement, now Le Club Francais. She raised all her children to be bilingual in French and English. She is one of the producers of the Club Francais newsletter, *Le Fanal*. She encouraged her children to study music, at which they all excelled. Her son John has played the organ all over America, Europe, Africa and the Caribbean, and he even performed for Pope John Paul II. She has always been a patron of the arts and has encouraged several generations to find fulfillment through the arts. She is a voracious reader and prolific writer. Always keeping up with the fast-changing times, she is a self-taught computer whiz. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Beaulieu on her achievements; (HLS 471)

Cyril Beaulieu, of Madawaska, who has been inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Beaulieu is a family man, entrepreneur par excellence, community builder, businessman, developer, organizer, inventor, policy maker, responsible river user and active supporter of an international seaport at Riviere-du-Loup, Maine-Quebec ententes and a north-south highway system. He founded many civic and fraternal organizations and chaired many projects. He served on municipal committees, including the budget committee and the industrial park committee. As a friend of governors and senators, he could lobby with the best of them. He was a founder of the Quebec, New Brunswick and Maine Alliance, understanding the importance of interrelationships between the 2 countries, the states and the provinces. He has been a Catholic Church leader, builder, choir director, genealogist and historian, having

completed many volumes of work and is a 50-year Knight of Columbus. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Beaulieu for his many contributions to the French language and culture and extend our congratulations to him on his achievements; (HLS 472)

Lawrence Rendell, a lifelong resident of Berwick. He served in the United States Navy on the U.S.S. Cascade and the U.S.S. Porteus. He was a firefighter for the Town of Berwick for 25 years, advancing to the rank of lieutenant. He was a volunteer firefighter for 18 of those years. He also served the town as a police officer for 3 1/2 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Rendell for his commitment to the Town of Berwick and its citizens; (HLS 473)

Private First Class Jonathan Wood, of Gray, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Wood who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Wood home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 474)

Sergeant Adam Farrington, of Gray, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Farrington who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Farrington home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 475)

the following members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Boys Ice Hockey Team, upon their winning the State Class B Ice Hockey Championship: Max Foner, Ben Davis, Tom Rich, Chris Steinroeder, Ryan Hatch, Dan Rautenberg, Jeff Croteau, Brett Brown, Matt Bernstein, Lincoln Jordan, Andrew Gibson, Kyle Dancause, Peter Kelley, Griffin Rockwell, Chris Ciraldo, Alex McFarlane, Drake Livada, Pat Kertes, Bryan Holden, Joel Balfour, Garret Currier, Ross Negele, Mike Kertes, Zack Juliano, Matt Roy and Colby Pearson and coaches Jason Tremblay, Curt Brown and Joe Robinson. We extend our congratulations to them on this achievement; (HLS 476)

the following members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Girls Nordic Ski Team: Dana Riker, Elise Moody-Roberts, Clare Egan, Kate Barton, Mary Katherine Huebner, Emily Atkins, Emily Wright, Jean McDonald, Jill Smith, Blake Kast, McKayla Dunfey, Katherine King, Erin Hatton, Melissa Slack, Amanda Slack and Abby Atwood and coaches Deven Morrill and Cecily Upton, winners of the State Nordic Ski Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 477)

Master Sergeant Lawrence Moody, of Madison, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Master Sergeant Moody who have stepped forward



to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Master Sergeant Moody home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 478)

Sergeant Matthew Beaman, of Madison, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Beaman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Beaman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 479)

Sergeant Scott Eggleston, of Madison, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Eggleston who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Eggleston home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 480)

Staff Sergeant William Albert Place, of Waterboro, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like SSGT Place who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SSGT Place home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 481)

Sergeant Timothy Hendsbee, of Glenburn, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Hendsbee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Hendsbee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 482)

Specialist Kenneth Merrifield, of Wells, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Merrifield who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Merrifield home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 483)

Sergeant First Class Wayne King, of Wells, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the

great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class King who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class King home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 484)

Sergeant Bruce White, of Wells, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant White who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant White home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 485)

Specialist Graham Hanson, of Orland, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hanson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hanson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 486)

Specialist Jessica McCarthy, of Frankfort, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist McCarthy who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist McCarthy home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 487)

Sergeant Wayne Gardiner, of Stockton Springs, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Gardiner who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Gardiner home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 488)

Private Second Class Luke Chamberlain, of Searsport, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal

buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private Second Class Chamberlain who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private Second Class Chamberlain home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 489)

Cassie Hintz, of Old Town, a junior at Old Town High School. Ms. Hintz holds the Class B state title, the state record and the Eastern Maine Class B record in the 2-mile indoor track event. She broke the 2004 record at the 2005 state championship meet. She took first place in the 5,000-meter run at the National Scholastic Indoor Track and Field Meet, which was held in New York City. One month before she took 8th place in the 5,000-meter run at the Terrier Invitational, hosted by Boston University. She took first place in the 2-mile event in the New England Interscholastic Track and Field Championships in Boston and had the second-fastest time in the country for that event. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Hintz on her achievements and wish her success in her future competitions; (HLS 490)

Private Second Class Anthony Seeley, of Kenduskeag, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private Second Class Seeley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private Second Class Seeley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 491)

Specialist Matthew Peaslee, of Kenduskeag, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Peaslee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Peaslee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 492)

Specialist Nathan Chelsey, of Levant, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Chelsey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Chelsey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 493)

Specialist William Shaw, of East Corinth, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Shaw who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Shaw home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 494)

First Sergeant Philip Ceaser, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like First Sergeant Ceaser who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that

we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Sergeant Ceaser home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 495)

Specialist Julie Rand, of Gray, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Rand who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Rand home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 496)

Specialist Brett Roberts, of Gray, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Roberts who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Roberts home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 497)

Sergeant Warren Parker, of Gray, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Parker who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Parker home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 498)

Private First Class Christopher Lambert, of North Yarmouth, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Lambert who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Lambert

home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 499)

Specialist Steven James Burnel, of North Yarmouth, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Burnel who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Burnel home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 500)

Staff Sergeant Douglas Hendrick, of Cornish, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Hendrick who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Hendrick home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 501)

Sergeant Walter Lord, of Denmark, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lord who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lord home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 502)

Specialist Aaron Farrington, of Limington, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Farrington who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Farrington home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 503)

Sergeant John Brower, of Cornish, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include Battalion Staff, the Command Headquarters and a Direct Support Maintenance Platoon plus an Equipment Platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Brower who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant

Brower home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 504)

Margaret Ellsworth, of Oxford, on her 60-year pin commemorating her longtime membership with the Anderson-Staples American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 112. Mrs. Ellsworth joined the auxiliary in 1945 with her brother as her sponsor. She later transferred her membership under her husband and has continuously been very active within the Legion. She and her husband helped raise funds used to purchase the American Legion Beach, now known as Pismo Beach, in Oxford. She also helped raise funds that were used to build the War Memorial Building, now the Anderson-Staples Post 112 building, also in Oxford. We commend Mrs. Ellsworth for her dedication to the American Legion and to her community, and we thank her for her many years of service; (HLS 505)

Specialist Timothy Lewis Martell, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Martell who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Martell home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 506)

Private First Class Michael Paul Morin, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Morin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Morin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 507)

Staff Sergeant Richard Harland Bucklin, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Bucklin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Bucklin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 508)

Staff Sergeant Paul Henry Charland, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Charland who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Charland home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 509)

Specialist Sean Michael Keefe, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Keefe who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Keefe home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 510)

Sergeant Mitchell Andrew Lajoie, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lajoie who have

stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lajoie home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 511)

Elspet Johnson, of Wilton, who has been presented with the Boston Post Cane for being the town's oldest resident. Mrs. Johnson was born in North Jay, and graduated from Wilton Academy. She continues to drive at the age of 97 and volunteers twice a week at Franklin Memorial Hospital, where she spent many years working as a registered nurse. We join her family and many friends in sending Mrs. Johnson our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 512)

Harry L. Smith, Jr., of Canton, on the occasion of being named Mason of the Year. He is a member of the Whitney Lodge #167, of the 20th Masonic District. Mr. Smith became a member of the Whitney Lodge in 1990 and has served on the Scholarship Committee, the Building Committee and the Finance Committee. In 1996, he was the recipient of the Rideout Award and he served the Grand Lodge of Maine as Grand Steward for 2000-2001. We extend our congratulations to him on his being named Mason of the Year and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 513)

Malcolm D. Toothaker, of Avon, upon the honored occasion of his 85th Birthday. A native of Madrid, one of proud twin brothers, he attended local schools and in 1939 at Phillips High School was awarded recognition as one of the top cross-country runners in the United States. A lifelong communicant of the Phillips Congregational Church, he has been a member of the Mt. Blue Masonic Lodge for 50 years and he has been married to his beloved wife, Beverly Greenleaf Toothaker for 51 years. As an independent contractor, he ran his own business all his life, building many homes for many families in his region. In 1960, he ran for the Maine Legislature. He proudly hand-built all the stone walls surrounding Miles Square in his hometown. We salute him as a symbol of the spirit of independence and perseverance which has built Maine, his beloved "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 514)

Maurice "Monty" Toothaker, of Avon, upon the honored occasion of his 85th Birthday. A native of Madrid, he is one of twin sons born to Fred and Angie Toothaker. Raised at the family farm, he excelled in Phillips High School athletics and was inducted into the Maine Runners Hall of Fame in the 1990s. A proud veteran of World War II, he enlisted in the United States Army in 1942, and served in General Patton's Third Army during the race across Europe in the spring of 1945, for which he was awarded service medals. An avid outdoorsman, for over 50 years he has worked as an independent lumber dealer. His 5 sons have proudly served their state as game wardens and state policemen. We salute him as a symbol of the spirit of independence and perseverance which has built Maine, his beloved "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 515)

James "Chico" Hernandez, of Washburn, who has earned the silver medal in the middleweight division of the 2005 British Open Sombro Wrestling Championships, held at Swallows Leisure Centre, in Sittingbourne, England. In the Senior Division, he earned 4th place. We extend our congratulations to Chico on this accomplishment in the ring of international wrestling; (HLS 516)

the *Lewiston Sun Journal*, the recipient of the 2005 Maine Corporate Volunteerism Award for its contributions to the greater Lewiston community. This is a Governor's Service Award given to a corporation that demonstrates volunteer leadership or whose employees' volunteer service significantly improves the quality of life in the community. The *Lewiston Sun Journal* is being acknowledged for its support of education, nonprofit

organizations and the arts and its underwriting of local events. We congratulate the owners and the employees of the *Lewiston Sun Journal* on receiving this award; (HLS 517)

Ryan Crane, of Mechanic Falls, upon winning a WCSH Teens Who Care Award and a \$1,000 scholarship. Ryan, a junior at Poland Regional High School, volunteers as a basketball coach to a dozen men and women from the John F. Murphy Homes day program in Auburn. These Special Olympians have learned basic basketball skills and will go on to compete in actual games during the regional spring Special Olympics. Ryan's enthusiasm for his volunteer work has earned him the love of his athletes, their caregivers and the teenage friends he has gotten to help him. We acknowledge Ryan's dedicated service to his community and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his winning this award and scholarship; (HLS 518)

Specialist Glendon Bowers, of Medford, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Bowers who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Bowers home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 519)

Liquor Enforcement Officer David Bruni, of Gorham, who is a recipient of a Maine Higher Education Alcohol Prevention Partnership (HEAPP) award. Officer Bruni was recognized by HEAPP for his substantial efforts to address high-risk drinking among college students and to reduce the impact of that behavior on the community. We extend our appreciation to Officer Bruni for his dedication to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on receiving this award; (HLS 520)

Lieutenant Ted Blais, of Gorham, who is a recipient of a Maine Higher Education Alcohol Prevention Partnership (HEAPP) Award. Lieutenant Blais was recognized by HEAPP for his substantial efforts to address high-risk drinking among college students and to reduce the impact of that behavior on the community. We extend our appreciation to Lieutenant Blais for his dedication to help the citizens of the State and congratulate him on receiving this award; (HLS 521)

Christy Owens, of Winthrop, kindergarten teacher at Mt. Vernon Elementary School, who recently achieved National Board Certification. Mrs. Owens has 10 years of teaching experience, with the last 5 years in Mt. Vernon. Her Early Childhood certification covers youngsters 3 to 8 years of age. Achieving National Board Certification is an extremely time-consuming and difficult process, and we congratulate Mrs. Owens on her accomplishment and her dedication to her profession; (HLS 522)

Jason Dodd, of Manchester, a member of Boy Scout Troop #622, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This award is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jason on this accomplishment; (HLS 523)

Peter Bedard, of Manchester, a member of Boy Scout Troop #622, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This award is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is

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given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Peter on this accomplishment; (HLS 524)

Robert B. Roche, of Wells, a retired school teacher, administrator, coach and sports official of more than 40 years. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the children and to the community. He will be greatly missed by his family, colleagues and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 525)

Elizabeth Ann Peters, of North Anson, beloved parent, friend and public servant. The wife of the late Bill Oliver, she was the mother of 5 sons and stepmother to 3 sons. Her family ran the Wee Willow Restaurant in New Portland for many years, following which she was the bookkeeper for the town of Madison and later town manager of Madison for many years. A loyal fan of country western music, she was a skillful bingo player and despite life's many challenges, was a devoted parent and a proud provider for her family. She will be sadly missed by her sons, grandchildren, step-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews and friends across her beloved Maine, the "Pine Tree State"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 526)

Glenna Churchill, of Calais, on the special occasion of her 90th Birthday, April 19, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 527)

Izy Marie Theriault Thibodeau, of St. Francis, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, April 20, 2005. She is the daughter of Denis and Josephine Theriault and she was married to the late Adrien Thibodeau for 56 years. Mrs. Thibodeau is the mother of 8 children: Gerard (Bee), Adrienne (Toots), Larry, Fernand, Lloyd, Ronald, Robert and Mavis. She is also the grandmother of Colette, Denise, Danielle, Michelle, Nicole, Monique, Suzanne, Mark, Stephen, Jason, Sherry, Michael, Ryan, Veronica, Jamie, Jonathan and Tracy. Izy Marie drives herself to the Senior Citizens Center in Fort Kent every day. She is still a homemaker and enjoys quilting, crocheting and gardening. We send her our best wishes on this celebration of her life; (HLS 528)

Sergeant Jeremy Storer, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Storer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Storer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 529)

Private First Class Joshua Robinson, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Robinson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Robinson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 530)

Private Second Class Brad Hibbard, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd

Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private Second Class Hibbard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private Second Class Hibbard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 531)

Staff Sergeant Scott Rodrique, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Rodrique who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Rodrique home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 532)

Staff Sergeant James Mynes, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Mynes who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Mynes home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 533)

Specialist Shawn Cote, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cote who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cote home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 534)

Specialist Brian Bolduc, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Bolduc who have stepped

forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Bolduc home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 535)

Specialist Damien Dufour, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Dufour who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Dufour home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 536)

Staff Sergeant Daniel Bourget, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Bourget who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Bourget home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 537)

Specialist Todd Evrard, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Evrard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Evrard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 538)

Sergeant Anthony Dubois, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Dubois who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Dubois home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 539)

Specialist Anthony Sturgis, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and

constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Sturgis who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Sturgis home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 540)

Staff Sergeant Wayne Day, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Day who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Day home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 541)

Specialist Joey Wing, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Wing who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Wing home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 542)

Specialist Robert Martel, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Martel who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Martel home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 543)

Specialist Joseph Keene, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Keene who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Keene home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 544)

Specialist Jason Lerman, of Auburn, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd

Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Lerman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Lerman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 545)

Joseph P. "Joe" White, of Ellsworth, a longtime educator and school administrator. Mr. White was a graduate of the University of Maine, where he received a bachelor's degree in education, a master's degree in educational administration and a C.A.S. in educational administration. He was principal at the S. S. Nash School in Addison; he served as headmaster at George Stevens Academy in Blue Hill, Hampden Academy in Hampden and Foxcroft Academy in Dover-Foxcroft; and he was principal at Hancock Grammar School in Hancock. Mr. White then went on to serve as Assistant Superintendent of schools for the City of Ellsworth, after which he served as Superintendent for MSAD #37 in Washington County for 15 years, the position from which he retired. During his retirement, he continued to be interim teacher, principal and superintendent in many Hancock County and Washington County schools. We acknowledge his long and distinguished career in education and his dedication to the students and communities he served. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 546)

Specialist Terry Lee Bishop, of Ellsworth, who served in Iraq with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve, on his return home to Maine. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his State and the Nation, and we join all the citizens of Maine in welcoming him home; (HLS 547)

Sergeant Aaron Atherton, of Ellsworth, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like SGT Atherton who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SGT Atherton home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 548)

First Lieutenant Leon Ordway, of Windham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like First Lieutenant Ordway who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Lieutenant Ordway home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 549)

Staff Sergeant Christopher Barnaby, of Windham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Barnaby who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation

so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Barnaby home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 550)

Chief Warrant Officer Mark Bragdon, of Windham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 112th Medical Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 112th provided medical evacuation of injured service members. With selfless devotion and dedication to the mission, the 112th flew into hostile combat conditions to evacuate critically wounded comrades. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Chief Bragdon who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Chief Bragdon home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 551)

Staff Sergeant Mary Ruetlinger, of Windham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Ruetlinger who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Ruetlinger home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 552)

Staff Sergeant Andrew Pattle, of Windham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Pattle who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Pattle home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 553)

Frank Douglas Jones, of Baileyville, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Jones joined the United States Army in 1945 and was stationed in Panama with the Military Police. He worked for St. Croix Paper Company, later Georgia Pacific, for 44 years. Mr. Jones was extremely committed to his community. He served on the Baileyville Town Council for 42 years and served as its chair for 20 years. He was also involved in many other civic organizations. The epitome of a "town father," he will be remembered as a leader in town politics, always approachable, considerate and polite and a gentlemen in the truest meaning of the word. His keen sense of humor was one of his most renowned qualities. He was also deeply devoted to his wife Jennie, their 5 children, 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. We join his family and many friends in celebrating the life of this outstanding citizen who will be sadly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 554)

Staff Sergeant Chad Steward, of Athens, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We

have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Steward who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Steward home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 555)

Sergeant Terry McLaughlin, of Athens, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant McLaughlin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant McLaughlin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 556)

the Lewiston Maineiacs, the only United States-based member of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, on the completion of the team's very successful second season. We commend the individual players, their coaches and the Maineiacs management for their many positive contributions to our community, and we look forward to many more seasons with them; (HLS 557)

Maxine "Macky" B. King, of Topsham, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, April 22, 2005. Ms. King has 2 sons, 4 grandchildren and one great-grandson. She grew up in New York City and spent her summers at Fernwood Camp in Poland, an all girl's camp founded by her father. After her father's death, Macky took over running the camp until it was sold. She still spends summers at her cottage at Fernwood. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 558)

Anna Schwarcz, of Orrington, who is the recipient of a President's Volunteer Service Award sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals. The award recognizes young people across America for outstanding community service activities. Volunteer activities are judged on personal initiative, creativity, effort, impact and personal growth. Ms. Schwarcz has trained, cared for and groomed dogs to serve as companions for the disabled. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Schwarcz for her dedication to service and thank her for her commitment to helping those in need; (HLS 559)

Maurice and Sally Robbins, of Harrison, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 1, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 560)

Captain Dean Preston, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Preston who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Preston home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 561)

Ellsworth High School, for presenting the "Every 15 Minutes" Alcohol Awareness Program to the juniors and seniors of the school. This program is a 2-day community event that illustrates that every 15 minutes across the United States someone dies as a result of a highway accident involving alcohol. It is an intense and emotional program that shows students the impact that an

alcohol-related fatality has on family, friends, schools and the community. "Every 15 Minutes" offers real-life experience without the real-life risk, as it focuses on the potentially dangerous consequences of drinking alcohol. This is the second time that Ellsworth High School has sponsored this event, which includes participation from the Ellsworth police and fire departments, the local hospital, video production crew, community officials, the District Attorney's Office and a cross-section of the community at large. We extend our appreciation to Ellsworth High School for presenting this worthwhile and successful program; (HLS 562)

Norman Gould, of Wilton, recipient of the Community Service Award sponsored by the Franklin Grange #50. Mr. Gould has been a selectman for the Town of Wilton for 37 years and has been elected to serve another 3-year term. He has also served on the Wilton Planning Board for 27 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Gould for his commitment to the citizens of Wilton and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (HLS 563)

Elva Lillian (Hayes) Miller, of Oakland, on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Mrs. Miller was born on April 22, 1905 in South Boston, Massachusetts. Following her first job in a factory, she went to work at F.W. Woolworth Company for the next 46 years in various capacities, including sales clerk, bookkeeper, manager and buyer. An avid seamstress, Mrs. Miller has always made her own patterns and is well-known for her handmade dolls, her quick wit and sharp memory. We extend to Mrs. Miller our congratulations and best wishes for continued health and happiness; (HLS 564)

Mark Johnston, of Winthrop, who was named the 2005 Outstanding Citizen of the Year by Le Club Calumet for his long-standing commitment to public service. Mr. Johnston, president and chief executive officer of Kennebec Savings Bank, is a former Augusta resident and is director and treasurer of Camp KV for Kids, director and treasurer of the Elsie and William Viles Foundation, director and executive committee member of the Augusta Board of Trade, trustee of Thomas College, 2004 campaign chair of the United Way of Kennebec Valley, board member of the Friends of Cobbossee Watershed District and trustee of the Augusta Scholarship Foundation. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine, and we extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (HLS 565)

Robert Pettengill, of Old Orchard Beach, a longtime member of the VFW Post 7997, who was recently appointed National Deputy Chief of Staff of the VFW. Mr. Pettengill has been a member of the VFW for 46 years, and has been a commander for 24 years. He served with honor during the Korean War, as part of the Inchon invasion. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the VFW and to his Nation, and we extend our congratulations to him on his appointment as National Deputy Chief of Staff of the VFW; (HLS 566)

Specialist Heath Coro, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Coro who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Coro home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 567)

Technical Sergeant James Clark, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 960th AWCS stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and



women like Technical Sergeant Clark who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Technical Sergeant Clark home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 568)

Private First Class Nicholas Taylor, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 2nd 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Taylor who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Taylor home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 569)

Sergeant First Class Scott Rivas, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. Sergeant First Class Rivas' unwavering dedication is evidenced by his receipt of a Bronze Star. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Rivas who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Rivas home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 570)

Sergeant Moriah Harrill, of Bingham, who has returned home after 14 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Harrill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Harrill home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 571)

Staff Sergeant Mark Chadwick, of St. Pamphile, Quebec, Canada, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. The unit carries the lineage of the "Twentieth Maine" and the great American Civil War hero Colonel Joshua Chamberlain. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Chadwick who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Chadwick home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 572)

Specialist Travis Taylor, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 1/15th Field Artillery, Unit 15403, stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Taylor who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Taylor home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 573)

Corporal Ryan Begin, of Jackman, who has returned home from active duty with the 1/2 Weapons Company stationed in Iraq. Corporal Begin's unwavering dedication is evidenced by his receipt of a Purple Heart Award. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Corporal Begin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Corporal Begin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 574)

Twin Town Homes, of Oxford, on the anniversary of its 50 years in business. Founded in 1955 by Alton Luck, the business began by selling mobile homes. In 1957, Alton's son, Hayward, took over the reins and the business became the first in the area to sell manufactured housing. Twin Town Homes is now located on Route 26 in Oxford and is a hub for the industry not only for dealers of manufactured homes but also for production of manufactured homes. Through his vision and dedication, Mr. Hayward Luck and his company have been a major factor in the growth of the manufactured housing industry in the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to all the workers of Twin Town Homes for their continued success; (HLS 575)

the 5th-grade Destination ImagiNation Team from Marcia Buker Elementary School in Richmond on its winning the Dizzy Derby competition for the elementary age level. The team now qualifies for the Global Finals in May 2005. We extend our congratulations to the students and team advisor Lois Cooper on their accomplishment; (HLS 576)

the Maine Nurse Practitioners Association on the 10th Anniversary of the Independent Practice Act, which established the right to independent practice for Maine nurse practitioners. This Act has significantly broadened access to health care for many Mainers and contributed to the creation of one of the most progressive practice environments in the nation for advanced practice nurses. Nurse practitioners are dedicated professionals who offer a unique combination of nursing and medical service to patients. We extend our congratulations to the more than 850 nurse practitioners in Maine who provide both primary and specialty care; (HLS 577)

the Honorable Maurice D. Anderson, of Oxbow Plantation, former longtime member of the Maine House of Representatives. Mr. Anderson served in the 90th, 91st and 92nd Legislatures, representing the Ashland-Oxbow district in Aroostook County. He then served in the 95th, 96th and 100th Legislatures, representing the Greenville-Monson-Shirley districts of Piscataquis County. He was a former chairman of the Republican Committees of Oxbow Plantation and Greenville as well as a member and past chairman of the Piscataquis County Republican Committee. He retired from Great Northern Paper after 30 years of service in 1973 and served in municipal offices in both Oxbow Plantation and Greenville, where he was a member of the town council for 7 years and Town Moderator for more than 25 years. He was longtime a member of numerous fraternal, religious and civic organizations. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his communities and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, neighbors and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 578)

the United Baptist Church, of Island Falls, on the occasion of the ground-breaking ceremony for building renovations on May 1, 2005. The current building has continuously served its members and the community since 1896. This renovation will allow for an expansion of its ministry, which is currently led by Pastor James

Flye. We send our best wishes to all the members of the United Baptist Church on the future of their church; (HLS 579)

Elks Lodge #964 in Augusta, on the special occasion of its 100th Anniversary, May 3, 2005. The Lodge has been and continues to be an important part of the Augusta community, making an outstanding contribution to the residents of the area through its charitable giving. In recent years, the Lodge has provided scholarships to local high school students and has provided support for the Maine Veterans' Home, youth activities and The Children's Center. These activities represent the true spirit of community. We extend our congratulations to the members of Elks Lodge #964 in Augusta as they celebrate this centennial; (HLS 580)

Staff Sergeant Stephen Bragg, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Bragg who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Bragg home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 581)

Sergeant First Class Herbert Wiley, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Wiley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Wiley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 582)

Specialist Joshua Nalbandian, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Nalbandian who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Nalbandian home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 583)

Staff Sergeant Timothy Carrigan, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Headquarters Support Company stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Headquarters Support Company provided specialty support to the battalion's subordinate units, which include battalion staff, the command headquarters and a direct support maintenance platoon plus an equipment platoon. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Carrigan who have stepped forward to fight for the

security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Carrigan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 584)

Sergeant Michael McCormick, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant McCormick who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant McCormick home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 585)

Sergeant First Class Peter Kelly, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Kelly who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Kelly home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 586)

Second Lieutenant Matthew Gill, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Second Lieutenant Gill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Second Lieutenant Gill home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 587)

Sergeant Dean Wellman, of Scarborough, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company B stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company B built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Wellman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Wellman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 588)

Robert Winn, a teacher at Wells Junior High School and cross-country coach at Wells High School, and the following students on raising \$5,000 for the York VFW: Erica Boulay, Sarah Cusack, Elizabeth Caron, Thomas Esson, Whitney Fenderson, Clare Fortune-Agan, Jamaica Gilliam (from York Middle School), Justin Grimes, Adam Hamlyn, William Hardy, Peter Hill, Michael Kuna, Rachael Plummer, Shawn Ruel and Brittany Toth. They accepted donations from various civic groups and individuals, and on Veterans Day, 2004 they ran more than 100 miles to raise money for families of Maine soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. The money was donated to the Family Organization Program to assist families with hardship cases while their loved ones are serving overseas, and for "care" packages to soldiers serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. We acknowledge the

unselfish contributions of Mr. Winn and the students and we commend them for their accomplishments; (HLS 589)

Francis W. McMahon, of Millinocket, a United States Navy veteran of World War II. Mr. McMahon was a foreman in the finishing room at Great Northern Paper Company, retiring after 40 years. He was a member of the American Legion Post #80 and a life member of the V.F.W. Post #4154. He raised money for the Lung Association by participating in the Trek Across Maine, and for MS in Texas and in Holland. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 590)

the following members of the Scarborough High School Girls Indoor Track Team on their winning the 2005 Class A State Championship: Rachel Baird, Katherine Hilton, Andrea LaBonty, Brenna Bradley, Katrina Collins, Angelica Damon, Sarah Morin, Rebecca Sither, Melissa Anson, Hilary Curtis, Alexandra Hoy, Emma Judkins, Donna Schlieper, Kira Gordon, Jennifer Mancini, Lily Parenteau, Rachel Waugh, Kimberly Dean, Allyson Koenig, Megan Baird, Christina Cange, Jaymie Coulston, Nicole Gonyea, Rachael Mumm, Karen Smith, Allison Chamberlain, Mallory Gordon, Erica Jesseman, Kaitlynn Saldanha, Laura Caryl, Devon Leighton, Anne Marie Mills and Alana Saleeby; Head Coach Ron Kelly; and Assistant Coaches Will Bertinet, Steve Ross and Jim Harmon. This is the team's second year of Class A competition. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the team on this achievement; (HLS 591)

the following members of the Scarborough High School Girls Swim Team on their winning the 2005 Class A State Championship: Katherine Cella, Ashley McElroy, Alexandra Ronca, Ceana Bamford, Kelly Clark, Laura Wood, Bridget Griffin, Sarah Reynolds, Emily Shinay, Caitlin Wright, Brittanie Bradley, Nicole Glab, Nicole Harmon, Saerim Park, Jane Roberge, Jessica Ronca, Christina Wagner, Jennifer Flaherty, Maria Risbara, Sarah Russell, Carrie Chykaliuk, Jacqueline Maples, Elizabeth Couillard, Lindsey Libby, Lauren Chelsea Sesto, Samantha Stone, Tracie Ankermann, Laura Cella, Danielle Gravel, Tracy Marie Najarian, Danielle Pelletier-Cairns, Allison Rogers and Katherine Thomas; Head Coach Bill Stone; and Assistant Coaches Jennifer Zwart-Shaw and Jason Schoellkopf. This is the team's second year of Class A competition. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the team on this achievement; (HLS 592)

Amy Brady, of Sherman, on the occasion of her receiving high honors and being in the Top 5 of the Class of 2005 at Katahdin Middle and High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Amy; (HLS 593)

Sara Charette, of Stacyville, on the occasion of her receiving high honors and being in the Top 5 of the Class of 2005 at Katahdin Middle and High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sara; (HLS 594)

Lindsay Hill, of Mt. Chase, on the occasion of her receiving high honors and being in the Top 5 of the Class of 2005 at Katahdin Middle and High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Lindsay; (HLS 595)

Sara Anderson, of Patten, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian for the Class of 2005 at Katahdin Middle and High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sara on her receiving this honor; (HLS 596)

Michelle Martin, of Patten, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian for the Class of 2005 at Katahdin Middle and High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Michelle on her receiving this honor; (HLS 597)

Specialist Greg Vaillancourt, of Mechanic Falls, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd

Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Vaillancourt who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Vaillancourt home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 598)

Specialist Clint Chicoine, of Mechanic Falls, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Chicoine who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Chicoine home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 599)

Sergeant Mark Gary, of Mechanic Falls, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Gary who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Gary home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 600)

Mary Martin, the principal of Elm Street School in Mechanic Falls, on being named Elementary School Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association for her outstanding leadership within a rural school and community. She leads by example and sets high expectations for herself and the school staff and students. Ms. Martin attended this school as a child. She has taught within the Oxford Hills School District and began teaching 2nd-grade at the Elm Street School nearly 20 years ago. She has been the principal for 8 years. The school is fortunate to have one of its own return and lead the school with great ability and genuine concern for the staff and students. We commend Ms. Martin for her exemplary performance and we extend our congratulations to her on this recognition; (HLS 601)

Sergeant Robert Smith, of Mechanic Falls, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Smith who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Smith home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 602)

Sergeant Jeffrey Cayer, of Oxford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Cayer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Cayer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 603)

Robert Welch, of Rumford, who is retiring after 12 years as the Rumford Town Manager. He began his career as a part-time

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highway employee before working his way up to the town's top administrative position. We recognize Robert's many contributions to the town and extend our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement; (HLS 604)

Staff Sergeant William Chesley, of Oxford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Chesley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Chesley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 605)

Private First Class Oscar Cyr, of Oxford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Cyr who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Cyr home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 606)

Sergeant Troyce Parsons, of Oxford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Parsons who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Parsons home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 607)

Specialist Jessica Tripp, of Oxford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tripp who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tripp home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 608)

Nancy Thibodeau, of Fort Kent, on her being named Woman of the Year by the Fort Kent Business and Professional Women's Club. The club's mission is to achieve equality for all women in the workplace through advocacy, education and information. Ms. Thibodeau has many accomplishments in the fields of medicine, education and religion and through her support of winter sports. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award; (HLS 609)

Seth E. Mattson, of Harrison, upon his being selected as Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Student of the Month for April. Sponsored by the Oxford Hills Rotary Club, Seth has been recognized with this mark of distinction because of his good school citizenship, academic effort and positive school spirit. With an exemplary academic record and extensive involvement in extracurricular activities, Seth helps to set an example for other students to follow while making a positive contribution to his school's overall learning environment. We extend our congratulations to Seth and commend him for his commitment to academic excellence; (HLS 610)

Fred Chase, of Old Orchard Beach, who was named Maine's Youth Volunteer of the Year. This is a Governor's Service Award to celebrate and recognize the exemplary work of Maine's volunteer community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Fred on his receiving this award; (HLS 611)

William "Bill" Levesque, of Millinocket, the recipient of the 2005 Fin & Feathers Adrian Batson Sportsman of the Year Award. We extend our congratulations to Bill on his receiving this award; (HLS 612)

Sanford Police Chief Thomas H. Jones, who was awarded a plaque from the United States Secret Service for the department's outstanding assistance and support with investigative and protective responsibilities. The Sanford Police Department has routinely provided presidential and dignitary security support. We extend our congratulations to Chief Jones and the members of the Sanford Police Department for their exemplary work; (HLS 613)

Jordan Stevens, a student at Mt. Blue High School, who has been named the Morning Sentinel Boys Skier of the Year. Jordan led Mt. Blue to its 6th straight boys overall Class A State Title. During this meet, he won the individual Class A State Title in the slalom and finished second in the State in the giant slalom. He also won both titles at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference championship meet. He has been skiing since he was 4 years old. We extend our congratulations to Jordan on his achievements; (HLS 614)

Walter Leffler, of Wells, who is the recipient of a 2005 Volunteer of the Year Award. This is a Governor's Service Award to celebrate and recognize the exemplary work of Maine's volunteer community. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Leffler on his receiving this award; (HLS 615)

Terry Hodskins, of Wells, who is the recipient of a 2005 Volunteer of the Year Award. This is a Governor's Service Award to celebrate and recognize the exemplary work of Maine's volunteer community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Hodskins on her receiving this award; (HLS 616)

Robert Nolette, of Wells, on the occasion of his retirement from the Wells Fire Department after 30 years of service. Mr. Nolette began as a volunteer firefighter in 1975 and became a full-time firefighter in 1980. He has been very active in fire prevention programs, most notably the Juvenile Firesetter Program, a program to educate and prevent firesetting behavior from continuing. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession and to his community, and we extend our congratulations to him on his retirement; (HLS 617)

Specialist Emily Cramer, of Naples, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cramer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cramer home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 618)

Sergeant Daniel Jordan, of Casco, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Jordan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant

Jordan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 619)

Elizabeth "Betty" Stetser, of Wiscasset, formerly of Alna, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, April 12, 2005. We join her family and friends in sending Mrs. Stetser our best wishes as she celebrates the centennial of her birth; (HLS 620)

the following organizers of the relay running race from York to Augusta on Veterans Day, 2004 which raised \$5,000 for the York VFW: Robert Winn, Lynn Mercier, Diana Allen, Dick Filiettaz, parents of the runners and members of the York Police Department and the Wells Police Department. The race was sponsored by civic groups and individuals and raised money for families of Maine soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. The money was donated to the Family Organization Program to assist service families and for "care" packages sent by the VFW to soldiers serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. We extend our congratulations to the organizers on their dedicated service; (HLS 621)

Brenda Buchanan, of Portland, recipient of the 2005 Justice Louis Scolnik Award sponsored by the Maine Civil Liberties Union. Ms. Buchanan is a partner with the law firm of Warren, Currier and Buchanan. She began her civil rights work as an MCLU student intern, continued working at the MCLU throughout law school and served on the Board of Directors after graduation. She founded and was an advisory committee member of the MCLU's Workplace Equity Project. The Scolnik Award honors members of the legal community who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the protection of civil liberties. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Buchanan for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 622)

Sergeant Patrick Shea, of Clinton, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Shea who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Shea home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 623)

Specialist Scott A. Morey, of Clinton, on completion of his recent mission with the I-152nd Field Artillery Forward. Specialist Morey recently returned home after a 13-month deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served as a Military Police Officer in the replacement unit at the infamous Abu Ghraib prison. Aside from his duties as a detainee prison guard, he also performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend Specialist Morey for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 624)

Specialist Justin Poirier, of Clinton, on completion of his recent mission with the I-152nd Field Artillery Forward. Specialist Poirier recently returned home after a 13-month deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served as a Military Police Officer in the replacement unit at the infamous Abu Ghraib prison. Aside from his duties as a detainee prison guard, he also performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend Specialist Poirier for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 625)

Specialist Douglas H. Penney, of Pittsfield, on completion of his recent mission with the I-152nd Field Artillery Forward. Specialist Penney recently returned home after a 13-month deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served as a Military Police Officer in the replacement unit at the infamous Abu Ghraib prison. Aside from his duties as a detainee prison guard, he also performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend Specialist Penney for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 626)

Specialist Craig Ardry, of Pittsfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Ardry who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Ardry home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 627)

Specialist Ryan Estes, of Pittsfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Estes who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Estes home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 628)

Sergeant Reginald Duprey, of Pittsfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Duprey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Duprey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 629)

Specialist Jody Gogan, of Clinton, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Gogan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Gogan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 630)

Staff Sergeant Heidi Hill, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Hill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Hill home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 631)

Sergeant First Class Rod Darling, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the

133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Darling who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Darling home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 632)

Sergeant Travis Coffman, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Coffman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Coffman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 633)

Staff Sergeant Michael Labonte, of Hartford, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Labonte who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Labonte home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 634)

Specialist Michael Darling, of Sumner, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Darling who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Darling home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 635)

Specialist Vernon Inman, of Sumner, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Inman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Inman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 636)

Specialist Angela Daman, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Daman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Daman home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 637)

Specialist William Brown, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like

Specialist Brown who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Brown home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 638)

Private First Class Robert Adams, of Buckfield, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Adams who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Adams home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 639)

Tom Linder, Sr., of Wilton, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, March 20, 2005. Mr. Linder was an employee of International Paper Company for 35 years, starting as an engineering trainee in Moss Point, Mississippi and ending as the Environmental Services Superintendent in Jay, Maine. A United States Navy veteran, he and his wife have 4 children and 6 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 640)

Gil Riley, of Wilton, who has been named Super Volunteer by *The Franklin Journal* and *The Livermore Falls Advertiser* in their "Volunteers Make a Difference" supplement. Mr. Riley, a retired mechanical engineer, moved to Maine with his wife Betsy and began volunteering for the community. He is very involved in volunteering for MSAD #9, where he is an important part of Mt. Blue High School's award-winning electric car class. We acknowledge Mr. Riley's dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine and we extend to him our best wishes; (HLS 641)

Dick Stevens, of Wilton, for his dedicated volunteerism to the community, and who has been acknowledged for his efforts by *The Franklin Journal* and *The Livermore Falls Advertiser* in their "Volunteers Make a Difference" supplement. Mr. Stevens has been donating his time to MBTV and has been a major help in bringing public access television to his community. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Stevens on this recognition; (HLS 642)

Habeeb's Smoke Shop, of Caribou, one of the city's longest running enterprises, which closed its doors on April 21, 2005 after 60 years of operation. Originally opened by Phillip Habeeb in 1945, the business relocated from its initial Main Street location to Herschel Street following the Town's remodeling. Retiring owners Kenneth and Marlene Habeeb have witnessed the closings of many local ventures over the years, but their commitment and hard work is a testament to Habeeb's Smoke Shop's lasting success. We commend Mr. & Mrs. Habeeb for their perseverance and extend our best wishes to them in their retirement; (HLS 643)

Specialist Samuel Kottman, of Sabattus, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer Battalion. Specialist Kottman recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq and many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend Specialist Kottman for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 644)

Private Second Class Joshua Elder, of Greene, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer

Battalion. Private Second Class Elder recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq and many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend him for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 645)

Shannon Safford, of Sabattus, who has received the President's Volunteer Service Award from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. The award recognizes citizens of all ages who have volunteered significant amounts of time to serve their communities and their country. Shannon, 17, easily qualified for this exceptional honor by volunteering her time as a junior counselor at Camp Postcard, a DARE camp, and also by working with the Sabattus Elementary School during its No Name Calling Week. She developed an anti-slur policy with the help of the 5th-graders in the school and works with Project DARE to foster a safer school environment. We congratulate Shannon on her outstanding volunteer service and commitment to the young children of Sabattus and we send her our best wishes for future success; (HLS 646)

Specialist Jeremy Hilliard, of Sabattus, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer Battalion. Specialist Hilliard recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq and many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend Specialist Hilliard for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 647)

Staff Sergeant Andre LeBlanc, of Greene, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer Battalion. Sergeant LeBlanc recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq and many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend Sergeant LeBlanc for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 648)

Specialist Nicholas Poulin, of Sabattus, on completion of his recent mission with the 133rd Combat Engineer Battalion. Specialist Poulin recently returned home after a one-year deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served in Mosul, Iraq and many other areas, constructing bridges, roads, schools and much of the infrastructure important to the rebuilding of the country. We commend Specialist Poulin for his exemplary performance and we extend our gratitude for his service and dedication to his State and to his Nation; (HLS 649)

Maine's Charitable Nonprofit Sector and the Maine Association of Nonprofits, which is hosting the Second Annual Nonprofit Day at the State House on May 23, 2005. The Association is the only statewide organization that represents the full spectrum of the State's nonprofit organizations. Founded in 1994 by a group of 7 nonprofit organizations, the Maine Association of Nonprofits' mission is to strengthen the leadership, voice and organizational effectiveness of nonprofit organizations through the State, so they can better enrich the quality of community and personal life throughout the State. Its membership consists of more than 500 nonprofit members and 75 business and individual supporters who work cooperatively to

ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of Maine's nonprofit sector. We congratulate the Maine Association of Nonprofits for its excellent work on behalf of the State's nonprofit organizations and we extend our thanks to them for organizing the Annual Nonprofit Day here at the State House; (HLS 650)

Private First Class Jonathan Larrabee, of West Gardiner, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Larrabee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Larrabee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 651)

Specialist Michele Weymouth, of Farmingdale, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Weymouth who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Weymouth home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 652)

Sergeant Roland Choate, of Farmingdale, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Choate who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Choate home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 653)

Private First Class Nicholas Larrabee, of West Gardiner, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Larrabee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Larrabee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 654)

Robb Engel, a student at the University of Maine at Presque Isle, who has discovered and assisted in the description of a new species of organism. Mr. Engel is the first author of the scientific article that describes this species, which belongs to a single-celled algal group. The new species was found in the drilling core from an area near Hawaii, from a depth of about 212 meters below the sea floor, and it is about 44 million years old. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Engel and his professor of geology, Dr. Kevin McCartney, who established the Micropaleontology Undergraduate Research Laboratory program at the University of Maine at Presque Isle on all their hard work, and we send them our best wishes on their future research; (HLS 655)

the Glenburn Lakeside Riders Snowmobile Club, on being named as the 2005 Snowmobile Club of the Year by the Maine Snowmobile Association. Over the past year, the club held an Easter egg hunt, donated lights for the local school, purchased Thanksgiving dinners and Christmas gifts for the needy and participated in several community events. The club also maintains 32 miles of snowmobile trails. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the club on its receiving this honor; (HLS 656)

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Marissa Rivard, of Glenburn, on her great accomplishment of a perfect attendance at school from kindergarten through college. We congratulate Ms. Rivard for her exemplary work and hope that such an accomplishment will be an inspiration to others; (HLS 657)

Joseph R. Armstrong, of Sanford, who has been awarded the Order of the Silver Rose, which is presented to veterans of the United States Armed Forces who suffer illness due to exposure to the chemical Agent Orange. Specialist Armstrong of the United States Army served in the Republic of Vietnam from 1966 to 1968. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Armstrong for his dedicated service to his country; (HLS 658)

McDonald's Restaurant, in Presque Isle, on the occasion of its 35th Anniversary of being in business. Owned by Daryl and Heidi Abbotoni of Houlton, McDonald's celebrated with a week's worth of events and a ribbon-cutting ceremony on April 7, 2005. We send our congratulations to the owners, employees and clientele on this anniversary; (HLS 659)

Annie Mae Scruton Beck, of Gray, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, May 5, 2005. Mrs. Beck married Henry W. Beck on September 24, 1927. They have 2 children. Mrs. Beck assisted her husband in delivering babies and was also his anesthesiologist. She has served the community of Gray generously. She was chair of the Christmas Caravan for more than 35 years, served on the Town Council for 6 years and was active in many local issues. She is also an active member of the First Congregational Church. She reads the newspaper daily to stay up on community and state politics. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Beck on this very special occasion; (HLS 660)

Jan Ellingsen, of Glenburn, who ran in the Boston Marathon on April 18, 2005 and was in the Top 100 of Maine finishers of the race. We send Jan our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 661)

Lee M. Jack, of Bangor, a teacher at Kenduskeag Elementary School, who has been named Teacher of the Year for her community by the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year program. She receives a \$1,000 educational grant to benefit her school and is eligible for the State Teacher of the Year award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Jack on her receiving this award; (HLS 662)

the following members of the Gardiner Area High School Boys Basketball Team, on its winning the Quarterfinals of the 2005 Eastern Class A tournament: Eric Collins, Craig Toulouse, Jr., Eric Breton, Nicholas Godfrey, Samuel Kallman, Devon Brown, Peter Kelley, Patrick Kimball, Sean McNally, Andy Temple, Michael Lavallee and Kyle Stilphen; Coach Dana Doran; and Assistant Coaches Justin Alford and Troy Gray; (HLS 663)

the following members of the Gardiner Area High School Varsity Field Hockey Team, on its being the runners-up in the 2005 Class A Eastern Championship: Lynsey Seymour, Diana Stade, Jessica Fish, Emily Sirois, Alicia Crocker, Cat Ahles, Jenna Cunningham, Laura Nimon, Hayley Spear, Ashli Densmore, Mallory Tarr, Danielle Pare, Amanda Abbott, Alex Fish, Courtney Allen, Beth Robbins, Bryleigh Cook, Katie Beaulieu, Erica Berry, Jillian LeClair and Becky Dixon; Coach Maureen McNally; and Assistant Coach Sharon Gallant; (HLS 664)

the fourth-grade class of Mary Graham at Zippel Elementary School, of Presque Isle, on its winning the Department of Transportation safety poster contest. Fourth-grade classes across the State were asked to design a work zone safety poster to be displayed throughout Maine. The students from Ms. Graham's class designed the winning poster, which was chosen

from approximately 500 entries. The class was awarded \$1,000, which will be used for educational materials and activities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students and to Ms. Graham on their winning this contest; (HLS 665)

Sergeant Charles G. Dionne, of Presque Isle, son of George A. and Diane Dionne, on his graduation from the United States Army Apprentice Special Agent Course, United States Army Military Police School at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, with a 94.4% academic average. Sergeant Dionne was selected by the United States Army Criminal Investigation Command to become a criminal investigator. We join his family, friends and the Presque Isle community in congratulating Sergeant Dionne on his accomplishments and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 666)

Dolores Beals, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of her retirement from the Presque Isle Parks and Recreation Department after 35 years of dedicated service to her community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Beals on her retirement; (HLS 667)

the Presque Isle Middle School Jazz Band on its Second Place finish in the Middle School State Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the band on their accomplishment; (HLS 668)

Tiffany Page Lundeen, of Mars Hill, on her graduation from the University of Maine on Saturday, May 7, 2005. Ms. Lundeen has been accepted into the Speech-Language Pathology graduate program. We extend our congratulations to her and send her our best wishes for her future success; (HLS 669)

Samantha Maquillan, of Eddington, who is the recipient of Student Leadership Award for Service-Learning from the KIDS Consortium and Maine's Department of Education. Having been introduced to service-learning through a partnership with LifeFlight of Maine, Samantha developed a great passion for enlightening her peers, school officials and the general public on the importance of injury prevention. Beginning as a fifth-grade student, and now as an eighth-grade student, Samantha has promoted motor vehicle safety through the use of seat belts and protective headgear. Her leadership roles as President of the Student Council and as the student voice on the MSAD #63 service-learning Design Team have enabled her to make a significant impression on the policies of her school. She has been nominated to receive both a "Teens Who Care" award and the Prudential Volunteer award. We extend our congratulations to Samantha on her receiving these honors and we offer her our gratitude for her helping to make the people of Maine more attentive to injury prevention; (HLS 670)

Kevin Paine, of Holden, who is the recipient of a Student Leadership Award for Service-Learning from the KIDS Consortium and Maine's Department of Education. Having been introduced to service-learning through a partnership with LifeFlight of Maine, Kevin developed a great passion for enlightening his peers, school officials and the general public on the importance of injury prevention. Beginning as a fifth-grade student, and now as an eighth-grade student, Kevin has promoted motor vehicle safety through the use of seat belts and protective headgear. We extend our congratulations to Kevin on his receiving this honor and we offer him our gratitude for his helping to make the people of Maine more attentive to injury prevention; (HLS 671)

Nancy Hutton, of South Portland, Principal of Cape Elizabeth Middle School, on the occasion of her retirement. She has 35 years of educational service, with 25 of those years devoted to Cape Elizabeth, where she was a language arts teacher for 10 years and then served 15 years as Principal. In addition, she has



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taught Adolescent Literature as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Southern Maine and has shared her expertise many times in workshops around the State. Ms. Hutton has served as a Distinguished Educator at the state level, working on certification issues. In all these endeavors, Ms. Hutton has demonstrated the highest level of devotion to her students, to fellow educators and to the vision of excellent education for all children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 672)

Joseph Cooney, of Norway, who has been made an Honorary Life Member by American Legion Foster-Carroll Post 72. This is the highest honor that an American Legion Post bestows. Mr. Cooney, who now serves as Chair of the Western Maine Veterans' Advisory Committee, is known as a "champion of veterans' affairs." He has served as Commander of Foster-Carroll Post 72 and as Commander of the Veterans' of Foreign Wars Post 9787 and remains active in both organizations. Mr. Cooney has improved the lives and welfare of veterans and their families and this State is truly grateful for his efforts. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Cooney on receiving this distinguished honor; (HLS 673)

John O'Leary, of Portland, beloved family man, faithful public servant and distinguished son of Maine, who served as United States Ambassador to Chile from 1998 to 2001. Born in Portland, he was a proud graduate of Cheverus High School in 1965. At Yale University he earned his B.A. in 1969 and his Juris Doctor in 1974. Devoted to his native city, he was instrumental in the expansion of the Portland Museum of Art and construction of the new Portland Public Library, earning both institutions distinction as regional centers of the arts and culture in Northern New England. He served as Mayor of Portland from 1980 to 1981 and in 1998 was named ambassador to Chile by President Clinton, his former classmate at Yale. He served as President of the Chilean-American Chamber of Commerce and on the advisory boards of the Yale World Fellows Program and the George Washington University Latin American Studies Program, providing opportunities for youth studies in world economy and government. He will be sadly missed by his family, his wide circle of international friends and the citizens of Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea." In the words of the poet, "he traveled far, but his heart never left home"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 674)

Philip E. Simard, Sr., of Portland, beloved father, friend and member of the Portland Police Department. Born in Portland, the son of Ernest P. Simard, Sr. and Gwendolyn Cornish Simard, he was educated in Portland schools and for 15 years served the Portland Police Department as Animal Control Officer. He received a Unit Citation in 1999 and in 2002 was recognized by the Portland Police Department for "dedication and loyal service to the Department and the citizens of the City of Portland." Outgoing and pleasant, he was devoted to the welfare of all animals in his charge and remained on duty to the day of his unfortunate passing. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession and his community. He will be sadly missed by his family, his large circle of friends and the public he served so long and so well in Portland, Longfellow's city "that is seated by the sea"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 675)

the Tilden family, of Ellsworth, recipient of the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce's "Top Drawer" award, presented annually to the business that has made the most significant contribution to the growth, development and improvement of Ellsworth, Hancock County and the State of Maine. The Tilden family has been making positive personal and economic contributions to Ellsworth, Hancock County and the State for over

half a century. We extend our congratulations to the members of the Tilden family on their receiving this award and wish them continued success in the future; (HLS 676)

Frank and Mary Perham, of Greenwood, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Perham have been wonderful members of the Oxford County community for many years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 677)

Kenneth W. Palmer, of Portland, a longtime resident and educator. Mr. Palmer was a graduate of Portland High School and received his bachelor's degree in history from the University of Southern Maine. He received his master's degree in library science from Utah State University and a degree in accounting from McIntosh College. He was employed by the Portland School Department for 18 years, teaching English and later becoming librarian at Lincoln Middle School. He was the swimming coach for the middle schools and at Deering High School for several years. He was also a member of the Southwestern Maine Swimming Officials Association, and, in 2002, the association established the Ken Palmer Inspirational Award, which is presented to the "Most Courageous Swimmer." Mr. Palmer established the Signet Tax Service, which he owned and operated, and was an enrolled agent. He served as secretary with the Maine Chapter, National Association of Tax Practitioners from 1996 to 2000, and in 2003 he served as its president. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, his colleagues and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 678)

Carleton Clark Young IV, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 679)

Melinda Misener, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 680)

Suzanne Smith, of Newport, on the occasion of her retirement after 40 years as an educator and longtime principal of Levant Elementary School. Ms. Smith came to Levant as an elementary school teacher at the Levant Consolidated School. For the past 2 decades she has been principal of Levant Elementary School. We acknowledge her dedicated service to her profession, the community and the children of her schools. We extend our congratulations to her on her retirement and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 681)

Stephen Ashley Pike, of Falmouth, of Boy Scout Troop #93, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Stephen on his accomplishment; (HLS 682)

Craig J. Lakin, of Falmouth, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Craig on his accomplishment; (HLS 683)

James Toomey, of Rockland, on the occasion of his retirement after 24 years in the education field. Mr. Toomey has been a teacher and a principal for School Administrative District No. 5 for the past 20 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Toomey for his dedication to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 684)

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Leonard Goeke, Jr., of Rockland, on the occasion of his retirement after 32 years in the field of education. Mr. Goeke has worked for School Administrative District No. 5 as a teacher, principal, administrative assistant/school transportation coordinator and school health coordinator. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Goeke for his dedication to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 685)

Virginia Goeke, of Rockland, on the occasion of her retirement after 27 years as a teacher. Ms. Goeke has been an English/language arts teacher for School Administrative District No. 5. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Goeke for her dedication to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 686)

Joel Stanley, Jr., of Medway, on winning 2 gold medals at the United States Welding Trials in Dallas, Texas. He competed against 6 Americans and welders from 6 other countries, winning a gold medal for the United States and a gold medal for the overall competition. As the Number One welder in the United States, Mr. Stanley will compete at the WorldSkills Competition in Helsinki, Finland. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Stanley on this remarkable achievement and we send him our best wishes on his future competitions; (HLS 687)

Carlton Mendell, of Windham, on running his 28th Boston Marathon on Patriot's Day, April 18, 2005 and being the oldest runner in this year's race. At the age of 83, Mr. Mendell has the distinction of having run 160 marathons during his lifetime, and over half of those races are ones he has competed in for 25 years straight. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Mendell on his remarkable achievements; (HLS 688)

Reverend Lynne Josselyn, of Caribou, upon her retirement as pastor of the Gray Memorial Methodist Church. Reverend Josselyn, a graduate of Drew Theological School and the University of Maine, assumed the pastoral position at Gray Memorial in 1992. She has more than 40 years' experience as a pastor, chaplain, district superintendent, administrator and seminary faculty member. She has served churches in Howland, Mattawamkeag, Easton, Mars Hill, Monticello, North Brewer-Eddington, Alton, Belfast and Searsmont, and is currently active in the New England Annual Conference of Ordained Ministry. Reverend Josselyn has made many positive and lasting contributions to not only her church, but to the City of Caribou and the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations to her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (HLS 689)

the Honorable Steve Zirkilton, of Seal Harbor, who served in the Maine House of Representatives for 4 terms representing Seal Harbor, for his successful career as a voice-over announcer for television, radio and films. He reads the on-air introduction for the hugely successful television crime drama "Law and Order" as well as the introductions to the spin-offs of that series. He appeared as a detective in the pilot program of the series. Mr. Zirkilton's voice work career has spanned a variety of shows, including "The Tonight Show" with Jay Leno, "Dateline," "CNN Headline News" and "The Today Show." His voice is heard on the video "Faith Rewarded," a documentary of the 2004 championship season of the Boston Red Sox. We send Mr. Zirkilton our congratulations on his notable achievements and our best wishes for his continued success; (HLS 690)

Jenna Sutton, a student at Levant Elementary School, who was honored by the Maine Humanities Council as a semifinalist in the national essay contest, "Letters about Literature," a national reading and writing program sponsored by the Center of the Book in the Library of Congress in partnership with Target stores. We extend our congratulations to Jenna on her reaching the semifinals; (HLS 691)

Master Sergeant Timothy Clark, of Glenburn, on his retirement from the Air National Guard after more than 28 years of military service. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his State and to the Nation and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 692)

Ashley Swett, of Berwick, who has been named 2005 Student of the Year by the Maine Community College System. Ms. Swett attends Central Maine Community College in Auburn and is studying business administration and management. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Swett on her receiving this award; (HLS 693)

the following students of Lawrence High School in Fairfield, who have been inducted into the Mid-Maine Technical Center's chapter of the National Technical Honor Society: Kevin Brown, Matthew Blodgett, Paul Froman, Kaylin Meader and Jessica Wing. These students have all demonstrated honesty, service, leadership and skill development. We send them our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 694)

John J. Brunette, of Millinocket, an active member of the Hillcrest Golf Club, B.P.O.E. Lodge #1521 and the former Kiwanis Club. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 695)

Gary V. Moulton, of York, upon his passing on April 21, 2005. He started his own successful small business, G.V. Moulton Plumbing and Heating, 20 years ago. His humor, kindness, strong work ethic and love of family and community will be greatly missed. He was to have been recognized by members of York's St. Aspinquid Masonic Lodge as Mason of the Decade during an early May ceremony, but will be honored posthumously by the group in June to commemorate his life. We recognize Mr. Moulton for his committed service to the great State of Maine, and we join his friends and coworkers in offering our sympathies to his loving family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 696)

F. Henry (Hank) Sabourin, Sr., of Lewiston. Mr. Sabourin was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, serving his country during both the Korean War and the Vietnam War, until his retirement as a captain in December, 1970. He retired to Lewiston and spent 10 years with Northeast Bank, serving as branch manager and later as assistant vice president. After retiring from the bank, he worked several years for Fortin Funeral Directors and The Fortin Group Funeral Homes. His many years of community involvement included being a former Lewiston police commissioner, a member of the Lewiston Board of Appeals and member and chair of the Lewiston Board of Personnel (Civil Service Commission). We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to his Nation. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 697)

Herman J. Morrow, Sr., of Medway, a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. He worked in the woods as a logger for most of his life and then worked at Great Northern Paper Company, retiring in 1987. He will be missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 698)

Roger David Pelletier, of Millinocket, a United States Navy veteran of the Vietnam War. He worked for Dead River for many years. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 699)

Jack Haubois, Jr., of Waterboro, beloved husband and father. Mr. Haubois was a sergeant with the Wells Police Department, a Registered Maine Guide and a Certified Firearms Instructor for the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. He was a founding member of the Wells Police Department's Color Guard and was a forward observer for the department's Special Response Team. He enjoyed camping, motorcycling, fishing and snowmobiling.

He will be missed by his family, friends and colleagues. We extend our condolences to his family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 700)

Andrew Hallett, of Howland, on his First Place award in the Maine Chapter of the Society of American Civil Engineers contest. Andrew, a senior at Penobscot Valley High School, built a four-by-eight-foot replica of the Howland dam, which has provided power to mills and customers since it was built in the early 1900s. The contest requires students to research the history and background and build models of local landmarks that are at least 50-years old. For his accomplishment, Andrew received a check for \$1,000. We commend Andrew for his hours of study and dedication and wish him well with his plans for a career in engineering; (HLS 701)

Erica Boulay, of Wells, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Erica on this accomplishment; (HLS 702)

Sergeant Norman Poulin, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Poulin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Poulin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 703)

Sergeant Robert Burgess, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Burgess who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Burgess home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 704)

Specialist Dwayne Tootill, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tootill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tootill home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 705)

Specialist Sean Cochrane, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cochrane who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cochrane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 706)

Staff Sergeant James Harvey, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Harvey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Harvey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 707)

Specialist Franc Oberlerchner, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Oberlerchner who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Oberlerchner home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 708)

the Central Aroostook High School Boys Basketball Team, of Mars Hill, which won the 2005 Class D Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their accomplishment; (HLS 709)

Douglas Ibarguen, of Farmington, former president of the Farmington Rotary Club, a 30-year club member and secretary for 24 years, who has been unanimously elected district governor for 2006-2007. The district encompasses 54 Rotary clubs ranging from the Northwest Territory in Quebec to the Lewiston/Auburn region. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his receiving this honor; (HLS 710)

Phoebe H. Stowell, of Dixfield, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was the daughter of a career military officer and travelled extensively during her childhood. She married Rand Stowell in 1938, and they settled in Dixfield, where they raised their family. Mrs. Stowell was a devoted wife and mother, and after her husband's death in 1968 she moved to her winter home at Sugarloaf and became very involved in the community. She shared the Woman of the Year award presented by the Sugarloaf Area Chamber of Commerce for her contributions. She served on the first Carrabassett Valley Planning Board and was a trustee of Carrabassett Valley Academy for several years. Upon her retirement, she was awarded "trustee emeritus" standing by the board. She will be greatly missed by her family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 711)

Phyllis Cecilia Browne Hanley, of Gardiner. Mrs. Hanley worked as a legal secretary for Judge Emery Bean and at the Maine Heart Association. She served as chairperson of the Gardiner Board of Registration. She also was a member of the Kennebec Valley Garden Club. She brought beauty to the world with her green thumb, gardens and love of flowers. She and her husband Gerard were ardent bird lovers and they taught their children, nieces and nephews the joy of birds, plants and nature. She enjoyed reading, braiding rugs and knitting. She will be missed by her loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 712)

the following students at Dirigo High School, who have earned the honor of being named as the Top Ten students of the graduating class of 2005: Michael Blais, Matthew Chamberlain, Matthew Colpitts, Jennifer Harvey, Alexa Kaubris, Lindsey Erin Kerr, Amy MacLeod, Meredith Starbard Skibitsky, Teri Slawek and Craig Wade. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them; (HLS 713)

Daniel R. Kennedy, of China, a member of Boy Scout Troop #479, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Daniel on his accomplishment; (HLS 714)

Jacob J. Atchison, of China, a member of Boy Scout Troop #479, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership,

personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jacob on his accomplishment; (HLS 715)

Richard W. Tyler, of Augusta, a longtime educator who helped to found the Maine Principals' Association. He began his career in 1961 as a teacher, coach, athletic director and administrative assistant in Concord, New Hampshire. Later, he was junior high school principal in Oyster River, New Hampshire, and then principal of Morse High School in Bath. In 1984, Mr. Tyler became executive director of the Maine Secondary School Principals' Association and helped orchestrate the unification of that association with the Maine Elementary Principals' Association into the Maine Principals' Association. The growth of this organization is a testament to his commitment and dedication to his profession. He will be greatly missed by his family, colleagues and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 716)

the Reverend James Herrick, of Bailey Island, on the occasion of his 100th birthday. The centenarian goes next door nearly every morning for coffee at Baker's Last Stand. Mr. Herrick built the building that houses the eatery as a post office when he was postmaster on the island. He is a guest preacher at area churches and says he is just waiting for an invitation for 2 sermons he has already prepared. We extend our warmest wishes on this momentous occasion; (HLS 717)

Donald Lonsway, of Eliot, on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years in the field of education and his dedicated service to students. Mr. Lonsway has been guidance counselor at Mahoney Middle School in South Portland since 1989. He is a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession, the children of his schools and to the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 718)

Beatrice Wilma Qualey Wilkinson, of Gray, on the occasion of her 85th Birthday, May 21, 2005. A longtime resident of Gray, Mrs. Wilkinson and her husband Ed raised 3 children and have been mainstays of the community. She has lived surrounded by her family and her husband's family for more than 70 years and her children and many of her grandchildren live within 5 miles of her. We join her loving family and the community of Gray in wishing her a happy birthday; (HLS 719)

Lyman E. Albert, of Mattawamkeag. Mr. Albert was well-known for his commitment to the community and to children of all ages, as evidenced by his receipt of a Lifetime Community Award from the Mattawamkeag Area Community Service Recognition Committee in 1989. He was a proud member of the United States Army where he served in Guam and the Mariana Straits. Mr. Albert was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in the Town of Winn his entire life and was also a member of Avon D. Flanders VFW Post #1438 in Lincoln. He served on the MSAD 67 Board of Directors since it was formed in 1968 and after 20 years, many as chairman, he was made an honorary lifetime member of the board. He began his career at Great Northern Paper Company 50 years ago as a paper maker and worked his way up to tower foreman. In 1954 he married Barbara Quimby and together they raised 6 children. He will be dearly missed by his family, including 16 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren, and his numerous friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 720)

Helen Maude Bouley, of Auburn, on the occasion of her 105th Birthday, June 20, 2005. Mrs. Bouley was born in South Portland and grew up in Wells and Portland. She worked days and attended night school and worked her way through Kents Hill Seminary. She taught school in Fayette and the Readfield area before moving to Auburn in 1927. She was married to Everett Whittemore, who died in 1955. In 1960, she married Ed Bouley,

who passed away in 2003. Mrs. Bouley has a long history of volunteerism and has been resourceful and frugal all her life. She exemplifies the best of Maine traditions and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special birthday; (HLS 721)

Philip Caverhill, of Caribou, upon his retirement as principal of the Woodland Consolidated School after 34 years of service in public education. As Woodland principal for the past 32 years, Mr. Caverhill has the longest tenure of any other principal in the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 722)

the Honorable Norman Paul, of Sanford, who served in the Maine House of Representatives for 4 terms, on being inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. Mr. Paul began his baseball career at Emerson School in the early 1940s. He played baseball while serving in the United States Navy during World War II. After the war, he received a contract to play for the New York Giants minor league system and played until the 1950s. He worked for the Sanford Police Department for 27 years. We send Mr. Paul our congratulations on his receiving this remarkable honor; (HLS 723)

the 400th Anniversary of Captain George Waymouth's arrival on the shores of the Georges River and in the area of Thomaston. Sailing from England on his ship, "Archangel," in 1605, Captain Waymouth navigated across the Atlantic Ocean and is considered to be one of the first European explorers to anchor in the Georges River region. We join the good citizens of the Town of Thomaston and those communities along the shores of the Georges River in recognizing the importance and historical significance of this anniversary; (HLS 724)

Ryan Jennings, of Bowdoinham, upon the honored occasion of the presentation, after 35 years, of the military service medals he earned during the Vietnam War. A native of Leeds, the son of Carl and Florence Jennings, he graduated from the former Leavitt Institute in Turner. He enlisted in the United States Army in June 1966 and served until June 1969. During his tours of duty he saw conflict in Loc Ninh, An Loc, Long Binh and Hobo Woods, Vietnam and in Cambodia. Serving in D Company, 1st Squadron of the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, he was awarded the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star with V for Valor. We salute Mr. Jennings for his service to his country, and we congratulate him upon the presentation of the service awards that symbolize the spirit of sacrifice and dedication to the State of Maine and to his Nation; (HLS 725)

Tram Lyford, a student at China Middle School, who won first place in the floor exercise, first place in the uneven parallel bars and second place in the balance beam and the All-Around at the Maine USA State Gymnastics Championships. We send her our congratulations on her well-earned achievements; (HLS 726)

Molly Barker, of Wilton, a student at Quinnipiac University School of Law in Connecticut, on being elected by the student body to serve as Student Bar Association president for the 2005-2006 academic year. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Barker and send her our best wishes as she continues her studies; (HLS 727)

Karen Duncan, who works at Cook Florist in Presque Isle, on being honored with the Professional Certified Florist Award, sponsored by the Maine State Florist and Growers Association Educational Department. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Duncan; (HLS 728)

Amy Murphy, who works at Cook Florist in Presque Isle, on being honored with the Professional Certified Florist Award, sponsored by the Maine State Florist and Growers Association

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Educational Department. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Murphy; (HLS 729)

William "Gene" Bickford, of Norway, 2004-2005 Commander of the American Legion, Department of Maine, for exemplary service to his community, State and Nation. During his tenure as Commander, Mr. Bickford has been responsible for overseeing all the activities of the Legion in the State. We thank him for his dedication and send him our best wishes as he departs from this position; (HLS 730)

Robert Gunn, of Hebron, on his departure from The Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus. Mr. Gunn has been a member of The Hillsmen since its inception approximately 29 years ago and has been the music director for the past 18 years. Dedicating thousands of hours to the group, he has been the driving force behind the success of the chorus. We thank him for his commitment and wish him well as he ventures to North Carolina; (HLS 731)

Alice Joy Coombs, of Brunswick, formerly of Lincoln, Veazie, Bangor and Orono. She was a member of the Eastern Star and a life master of the American Bridge Association. She was married to the late John G. Joy and the late Frederick S. Coombs. She was the mother of 3 children, and had 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed by her loving family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 732)

Matthew Fleming, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Schenck High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew; (HLS 733)

Norris Cianchette, of Falmouth, a veteran of the United States Army during World War II who served in North Africa and Italy. He owned and operated Maine Line Fence Company until his retirement in 1991. He was past president of the Pittsfield Jaycees and an active member of Caribou Kiwanis Club, Falmouth Lions Club, Maine Central Institute Alumni Association and other fraternal and professional organizations. He will be missed by his loving wife of 58 years, Marilyn, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 734)

Rosaire Martin, of Fort Kent, who has been nominated for the EMS Lifetime Service Award for 30 years of exemplary service in northern Arostook County. During those 3 decades, he has touched many lives, at times risking his own health and safety to save others. For most of the past 27 years he has served as a volunteer 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Although he recently considered retiring from his volunteer position at Ambulance Service, Inc. in Fort Kent, he felt he had more to give to the community and offered to continue in any way the company could use him. He has weathered many difficult times, but he has always kept the citizens of his beloved St. John's Valley in mind. Mr. Martin has taught hundreds of CPR courses to emergency medical technicians and to lay personnel. He has assisted in ALS courses and has been an active member of various EMS advisory boards, organizational committees and educational groups. He has mentored many new Emergency Medical Technicians and has provided valuable service to the EMS community, often without pay and with little formal recognition. We acknowledge his dedicated commitment to his community and to his profession and we congratulate Mr. Martin on his receiving this honor; (HLS 735)

Rob Mocarsky, of Jackman, recipient of the 2004 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. Rob has been a kindergarten teacher for 3 years at the Forest Hills School in Jackman. This coveted honor includes an unrestricted individual award of \$25,000 and participation in the annual Milken National Education Conference. We thank him for the quality education

he has provided at Forest Hills School and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on receiving this award; (HLS 736)

Devin Meehan, of East Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Schenck High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Devin; (HLS 737)

Robert and Audrey Simon, of Old Town, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Simon have been lifelong residents of the community and spent their lives giving back to other residents as active members of numerous civic and charitable organizations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 738)

Hopestill Downes Reed Hunter, a long-time resident of Woolwich. Mrs. Hunter was raised in Woolwich, and attended a one-room schoolhouse. She graduated from Morse High School and attended Mount Holyoke College. After moving to Portland, she married Edward Hunter, and they lived in Falmouth before building a home in Woolwich, next door to the home in which she was raised. She was the librarian at Woolwich Central School for several years and regularly delivered Meals on Wheels to people in the community. She was an active member of the Woolwich Historical Society and the Day's Ferry Community Club. She will be missed by her family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 739)

Phyllis Deschambeault, a native and lifelong resident of Saco, upon the honored occasion of her 95th Birthday, May 19, 2005. Mrs. Deschambeault is part of the first generation of women in America guaranteed the right to vote. As candidate, activist and citizen, she has proudly exercised that right for over 70 years. She attended local schools and worked at a sawmill for 10 years. In 1958, she was elected Register of Deeds for York County and for 25 years was continuously re-elected to that post. She currently serves as a Director of the Kimball Health Center, a Trustee of Lucia Kimball Deering Trust and a member of the Saco Historical Society. We salute her for being a busy grandmother, great-grandmother and an independent woman who symbolizes the independence and perseverance that is the spirit of Maine, the "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 740)

Edna Libbey, of Springvale, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, May 10, 2005. She was married to the late Leslie Libbey and is the mother of 3 children, and has 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. She has been an active member and a Sunday School teacher, at the Lebanon-North Berwick Baptist Church and has been a 60-year member of the Extension Service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Libbey on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 741)

Esther Stevens, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 742)

Rosemary Wheeler, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the

enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 743)

Mildred Farnsworth, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 744)

Eileen Dubail, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 745)

Ethel Taylor, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 746)

Mary Landry, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute her for her sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 747)

Francis Brunette, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute him for his sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 748)

Daniel Masta, of Franklin Towers, Portland, one of Maine's most senior citizens, upon the honored occasion of the celebration of "May is Older Americans Month." As part of the generation that endured economic depression, tragic wars and tumultuous times, older Americans built the country and protected the freedoms that we now enjoy. We salute him for his sacrifices, service and good citizenship, which contributed to the enrichment of Maine and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 749)

Laura Honey, of Boothbay, who is the recipient of the Tourism Award from the Maine Office of Tourism and the Maine Tourism Commission. This award is presented to those who lead by example and honors those in the tourism industry who dedicate their work to promoting Maine as a hospitable destination. It is because of the work of people like Ms. Honey that many visitors return to Maine many times. We acknowledge her dedication to

the State of Maine and we extend to her our congratulations on her receiving this award; (HLS 750)

the students at Berwick Elementary School, who raised \$772.93 for the victims of the tsunami disaster in South Asia. The 4th and 5th grade students earned this money through hard work, such as shoveling snow and similar efforts. The money was donated to Save The Children. We acknowledge the students' humanitarian efforts in raising funds and we extend our congratulations to them; (HLS 751)

Mike Morin, of Sanford, a junior at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Dover, New Hampshire. He earned a top seed in wrestling at the New Hampshire Division II State Championship and went on to win the state title in his 145-pound weight class, as well as placing 3rd in the Meet of Champions in New Hampshire. He competed and placed in the New England Championship tournament. We extend our congratulations to Mike on his achievements; (HLS 752)

Boyd J. Hopkins, of Bucksport. Mr. Hopkins attended Bucksport schools until his senior year when he attended and graduated from Higgins Classical Institute, in 1950. He served in the United States Army from 1953 to 1955, where he was in the 65th Army MP Corp. stationed in Austria. For 43 years he was employed by Seaboard, St. Regis and Champion Paper Companies. Mr. Hopkins was a charter member of DeMolay Ellsworth Order and was then in Felicity Lodge No. 19, where he went through all the chairs in Blue Lodge and was past master of Blue Lodge. He was master of Verona and Narramisc Grange and also a member of Hancock Pemona and State grange. He was a charter member of the 4-H Clover Club and a past leader of the Millvale Helping Hands. Being in charge of 4-H Government Day afforded him the opportunity to chaperone the Hancock County members to the State House each year. Mr. Hopkins was a member of the Hancock County Agricultural Society for more than 30 years and was a member of the East Bucksport Methodist Church. He will be dearly missed by his loving extended family and his numerous friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 753)

Martin E. Ryan, of Wells, Director of Athletics at Kennebunk High School, who has been chosen as the 2005 National Athletic Director of the Year by the National Council of Secondary School Athletic Directors. Mr. Ryan is recognized as an outstanding leader who maintains athletics as an integral part of the total educational program. As an exemplary administrator, he promotes the involvement of as many students as possible and emphasizes both athletic and academic achievement. He is committed to excellence and to the young people at Kennebunk High School for whom he promotes athletics as a vehicle to learn important lessons about life. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Ryan on his receiving this award; (HLS 754)

Fred Pecci, of Bath, who was presented with the McKague/Maddocks Award for Lifetime Achievement by the Maine Arborist Association. Mr. Pecci was the City Arborist for Bath from 1946 to 1998. He has overseen the management of Bath's community forest and has been an exemplary steward of the trees of the area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his receiving this honor; (HLS 755)

Joe Allen, Sr., of Levant, who won the Strictly Street Race at Speedway 95 in Hermon. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on his accomplishment; (HLS 756)

Clarence McCullough, of Kenduskeag, who placed second in the truck race at Speedway 95 in Hermon. We send him our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 757)

Tara Trask, of China, a student at China Middle School, who won first place at the Maine State Future Problem Solving Bowl in

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the middle individual written contest and who will go on to compete in the international competition. We extend our congratulations to Tara on this achievement and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 758)

Anna Rodriguez, of China, a student at China Middle School, who won second place at the Maine State Future Problem Solving Bowl in the middle individual written contest and who will go on to compete in the international competition. We extend our congratulations to Anna on this achievement and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 759)

Barbara Ann Hoppin, of Peaks Island, on the occasion of her retirement from the post of Island Principal for the elementary schools of Cliff Island and Peaks Island. Ms. Hoppin has served proudly as one of the very few island school principals in Maine from 1999 to 2005. A 1964 graduate in history from Our Lady of the Elms College in Chicopee, Massachusetts, she received her Master's Degree in curriculum and teaching from Columbia University Teachers College in 1989. She began her career in 1964 as a 4th grade teacher in Springfield, Massachusetts and for 20 years served in staff development and high school enrichment in Ramsey, New Jersey. There she served as president of the staff development council and in 1989 received the Governor's Education Recognition Award. She joined the Portland school system in 1999, serving 2 of Maine's oldest continuously operating island schools as principal. She is a volunteer mentor at the Cancer Community Center of Southern Maine and an active member of the President's Council for Youth Alternatives. Her dedication and diligence symbolize the spirit of achievement and endurance of Maine, her beloved adopted "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 760)

Jordan and Derek Pearson, of Glenburn, on their fundraising efforts for the Children's Miracle Network with their "Kids Racing for Kids" campaign. They will be conducting fundraisers at the Speedway 95 race track and other events such as the car show at Wal-Mart and the Speedway 95 preview at the Airport Mall. Jordan won Strickly Street Rookie of the Year last year and placed in the top 3 in 16 of 20 races. He also won the Safety Award and the Tech Award. Derek has finished 2nd in points twice. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their efforts; (HLS 761)

Angela Nicknair, of Glenburn, who is the recipient of a Presidential Scholarship. She has been accepted at St. Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 762)

Spenser Fitts, of the Maine Central Institute Music Program, in Pittsfield, for his numerous musical accomplishments. Spenser is a junior at MCI and began his formal musical journey in 5th grade. He plays tenor saxophone for the Instrumental Jazz Ensemble and the Jazz Combo. This was his first year as a member of the Jazz Choir. He received an Outstanding Woodwind Musician award in Division II Jazz Bands and Outstanding Male Vocalist in Division II Jazz Choirs while competing at the Maine State Jazz Festival. He was also named Outstanding Soloist-Tenor Saxophone while competing in Williamsburg, Virginia at the Music in the Parks competition. Spenser has been named to the Maine All-State Jazz Band as lead tenor saxophone player, a goal he has diligently pursued for many years. We commend Spenser on the numerous hours he has dedicated to his studies and congratulate him on his many awards; (HLS 763)

Maine Central Institute Music Program, of Pittsfield, for its outstanding accomplishments this past year. The MCI Instrumental Jazz Combo placed 3rd in Division II Jazz Combos and the Instrumental Jazz Ensemble placed 2nd in Division III

Jazz Bands at the Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. The MCI Vocal Jazz Ensemble placed 1st in Division II Jazz Choirs at the Maine State High School Vocal Jazz/Show Choir Festival. Members of the music program have also been recognized on an individual level, as 2 received honors during the competition, 2 were named to Maine's All-State Jazz Ensembles and 3 were accepted to Maine's All-State Band/Chorus. We congratulate the Maine Central Institute Music Director, Dean Neal, for his excellent leadership, knowledge and unyielding support of the young men and women in this exemplary program; (HLS 764)

Kate Zarolinski, of the Maine Central Institute Music Program, in Pittsfield, for her numerous musical accomplishments. Kate is a senior at MCI and has been a member of the singing group during her 4 years at the school. She also plays the piano for the Instrumental Jazz Ensemble. She received an Outstanding Female Vocalist award in Division II Jazz Choir at the Maine State High School Vocal Jazz/Show Choir Festival. She was named to the All-State Honors Jazz Choir, the 4th year she has qualified for this top State ensemble. She was also accepted to Maine's All-State Jazz Ensemble and Maine's All-State Band/Chorus. We commend her on the many years of hard work and dedication she has committed to her music studies. We extend our best wishes to Kate as she continues with her studies at Syracuse University's Music Theater program; (HLS 765)

MSAD #75, on being selected for two 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Awards; for its exemplary Health Promotion and Wellness program and its School Counseling, Physical and Behavioral Health Services. It is only 1 of 2 school systems in the State that is receiving both awards this year. We extend our congratulations to MSAD #75 on its receiving this honor; (HLS 766)

MSAD #29, on being selected for a 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Award for Health Promotion and Wellness. We extend our congratulations to MSAD #29 on its receiving this honor; (HLS 767)

MSAD #22 on being selected for a 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Award for Health Promotion and Wellness. We extend our congratulations to the district on its receiving this honor; (HLS 768)

Nicholas Ciomei, of Stonington, a student at Deer Isle-Stonington High School, who is the recipient of the 2005 Principal's Award given by the Maine Principals' Association. The award is given in recognition of a high school senior's academic achievement and citizenship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Nicholas on his receiving this award; (HLS 769)

the Old Orchard Beach School Department, on being selected for a 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Award for School Counseling, Physical and Behavioral Health Services. We extend our congratulations to the department on its receiving this honor; (HLS 770)

the Kittery School Department, on being selected for a 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Award for School Counseling, Physical and Behavioral Health Services. We extend our congratulations to the department on its receiving this honor; (HLS 771)

the Deer Isle-Stonington Elementary School K-3 and K-6 chess teams on winning the 2005 Maine State Scholastic Chess Championships for their sections. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the following team members: K-3 players Eric Babbitt, David McManus, Andy Turner, Lucas Oliver, Ivan Zemrusky, Walter Kurniega, Tyler Robbins, Doug Heanssler, Tyler Bartlett, Sasha Zemrusky, Cameron Wendell and Zach

Chmiel; K-6 players Ian Pelletier, Andrew Babbitt, Sam Grindle, Hayden Ciomei, Goldie Garcia, Connor Morey, Chelsea Brown, Janelle Ciomei, Nathan Davis, Nick Eaton, Alec Eaton and Jacob Starkey; and coaches Dick Powell and Mark Woida; (HLS 772)

MSAD #43, on being selected for a 2005 Excellence in Coordinated School Health Award for Health Promotion and Wellness. We extend our congratulations to MSAD #43 on its receiving this honor; (HLS 773)

Douglas and Donna McCafferty, of Mattawamkeag, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 4, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 774)

Megan Ouellette, of Van Buren, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Van Buren High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 775)

Chelsea Ouellette, of Van Buren, who has earned the distinction of being named honor essayist of the 2005 graduating class of Van Buren High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 776)

Matthew Thibodeau, of Van Buren, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Van Buren High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 777)

Julie Footer, of Calais, president of the Student Council at Calais High School, who has been named President of the Maine Association of Student Councils. We extend our congratulations to her on this accomplishment and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 778)

Jacquelyn Vo, of Sanford, a student at Sanford Junior High School, who is the recipient of a Junior Teen of the Year Award by the Elks Club. We send her our congratulations on receiving this honor; (HLS 779)

Mike Stanley, of Sanford, a student at Sanford Junior High School, who is the recipient of a Junior Teen of the Year Award from the Elks Club. We send him our congratulations on receiving this honor; (HLS 780)

the following students who have earned the distinction of being named as the Top Ten students of the 2005 graduating class of Sanford High School: Valedictorian Zachary Philip Spahn, Salutatorian Rany Gilpatrick, William Rhys Stucker, Dustin Lin Abbott, Andrew MacEwen Lamb, Amanda Arlene Levesque, Sarah Louise Brewer, Cayla Katherine Slattery, Courtney Bryden Craib and Kimberly Marie Martin. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 781)

the Berwick Elementary School, which is closing after 61 years. We extend our appreciation to the staff and employees for their years of dedicated service to the youth of the town; (HLS 782)

Dana Hagerman, of Berwick, who is retiring after many years as a volunteer at the Berwick Elementary School. Mr. Hagerman is a retired police officer and has volunteered at the school for longer than anyone can remember. He organizes the student council, known as the Student Youth Power Council, which does charity work. He also runs the student store. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hagerman for his commitment to the youth of Berwick and send best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 783)

Lauren Alex, of Berwick, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Noble High School. We extend our congratulations to Lauren on this accomplishment; (HLS 784)

Megan Wilson, of Levant, who tied for first place for the 6th grade in the American History Essay Contest sponsored by the Maine Daughters of the American Revolution. She is a student at Bangor Christian School. We extend our congratulations to Megan on this accomplishment; (HLS 785)

the Somerville Volunteer Fire Department as it celebrates its 40 years of existence. The department started in 1965 with a handful of volunteers and has increased to a force of 22 firefighters. The department serves the citizens of Somerville as well as 5 surrounding towns as part of mutual aid agreements. Somerville Volunteer Fire Department is known for its rapid response time and team-oriented firefighting strategies. The department has a reputation of recruiting young volunteers to ensure the future success of the department. We extend our appreciation to the Somerville Volunteer Fire Department for its commitment in serving the citizens of the State; (HLS 786)

the following 6th-grade students at China Middle School on the Future Problem Solving Junior division team: Jenny Prescott, Brittany Sharpe, Kate O'Connor, Jessica Howard and alternate Dan Mather. The team won first place in the Junior division written booklet contest and 4th in the presentation of action plan skit competition at the Maine State Future Problem Solving Bowl and goes on to represent the State at the international contest. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievement; (HLS 787)

the following 7th-grade students at China Middle School on the Future Problem Solving middle division team: Adam Childs, Natalie Norton, Logan Merrithew and Courtney Gee. The team won first place in the written and skit competitions at the Maine State Future Problem Solving Bowl and goes on to represent the State at the international contest. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (HLS 788)

Anna Ready-Campbell, of China, a student at China Middle School, who won the State title at the Maine State Future Problem Solving Bowl in the Scenario Writing competition and who will go on to compete in the international competition. We extend our congratulations to Anna on this achievement and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 789)

China Middle School Future Problem Solving Teams on their going to the international competition. This is the 6th year in a row that China Middle School students have won State Future Problem Solving titles and the chance to represent Maine at the international conference. We extend our congratulations to all the people involved in this success at China Middle School, and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 790)

Irma Bowles, of Livermore, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, June 7, 2005. Ms. Bowles has been the registrar of voters for more than 32 years. She has been involved with the Norlands for 26 years, served as a 4-H leader for more than 40 years, participated in Girl Scouts for 10 years and is a member of the Red Hat Society. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 791)

Mickey and Ginny Noble, of Otisfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, March 25, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Noble have 4 children, 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 792)

Dustin Eirdosh, of Bar Harbor, who is the recipient of a Kids Consortium Outstanding Leadership Award. Mr. Eirdosh works at Mount Desert Island High School and volunteers countless hours at the high school, Healthy Acadia, Aunt Betty's Farm and other organizations. He launched the Sustainable Agriculture Program at Mount Desert High School, which has helped failing



students return to school. We acknowledge Mr. Eirdosh's outstanding dedicated service to the school and to his community and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 793)

Patrick Norman, of South Thomaston, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Rockland District High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 794)

Margaret Machaiek, of Owl's Head, who has earned the distinction of being named as Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Rockland District High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 795)

Beryl Ayotte, of Presque Isle, who is the recipient of the 2005 Service to Maine Youth Award from the Maine Principals' Association for making an outstanding contribution to the youth of Maine through education and for contributing to the general welfare of Maine youth. Mr. Ayotte has volunteered in the Industrial and Farm Mechanics program at Presque Isle Regional Career and Technical Center for the past 12 years. He has averaged about 850 volunteer hours per year. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the youth of his community and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 796)

Shawn Cunningham, of Presque Isle, who was named the 2005 District IV Young Careerist by the District IV Business and Professional Women's Club. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (HLS 797)

Darla Chafin, of Augusta, who is the recipient of the John F. Murphy Homes, Inc. Lifetime Service Award. Mrs. Chafin has devoted her adult life to advocating for her daughter Cathy, her friend Carly and all people with special needs. She belonged to Pineland Parents and Friends and was chair of the group. She has spent countless hours on the phone counseling parents regarding services and care for members of their families with special needs. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Chafin for her dedication to the citizens of this State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (HLS 798)

Andrea Blanchette, of Hodgdon, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class at Hodgdon High School. Ms. Blanchette is a member of the National Honor Society and a member of the Dollars for Scholars. She has been an active member in many of the school's clubs and has received numerous academic awards. We extend our congratulations to Andrea on this accomplishment and wish her well as she goes on to the University of Southern Maine to study education; (HLS 799)

Daniel Ballanger, of Bancroft, who has earned the distinction of being named Third Honor Essayist of the 2005 graduating class at Hodgdon High School. Mr. Ballanger is a member of the National Honor Society, the Maine Writer's and Publisher's Alliance and the Maine Forest Service Hotshot. He has been awarded the Bausch and Lomb Science Award. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this accomplishment and wish him well as he goes on to the University of Maine at Presque Isle to study criminal justice; (HLS 800)

Dorothy Ann Robertson, of New Limerick, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class at Hodgdon High School. Ms. Robertson is President of the National Honor Society. She is a recipient of the Society of Women Engineers Award. She has participated on the intramural volleyball team for 4 years and is a member of the drama club. We extend our congratulations to Dorothy on this accomplishment and wish her well as she goes on to Cazenovia College to study business management with a specialization in equine management; (HLS 801)

Elizabeth Russell, of Linneus, who has earned the distinction of being named First Honor Essayist of the 2005 graduating class at Hodgdon High School. Ms. Russell is a member of the National Honor Society and is the recipient of numerous academic awards. She has performed with a number of chorus groups and has regularly sung the National Anthem for school events. We extend our congratulations to Elizabeth on this accomplishment and wish her well as she goes on to the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy to major in pharmacology; (HLS 802)

Collette Sloat, of Hodgdon, who has earned the distinction of being named Second Honor Essayist of the 2005 graduating class at Hodgdon High School. Ms. Sloat is a member of the National Honor Society. She has been involved in numerous athletic teams and recognized for her strong leadership roles. We extend our congratulations to Collette on this accomplishment and wish her well as she goes on to the University of Maine at Presque Isle to major in physical education; (HLS 803)

Mary Johnston, of Gorham High School, upon her recognition as one of the top 50 scorers on the Maine Educational Assessment tests for the 2004 school year. The students are recognized for having the highest combined scores in the reading, writing, mathematics and science and technology MEA subtests. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mary on this accomplishment; (HLS 804)

Adam Lord, of Gorham High School, upon his recognition as one of the top 50 scorers on the Maine Educational Assessment tests for the 2004 school year. The students are recognized for having the highest combined scores in the reading, writing, mathematics and science and technology MEA subtests. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Adam on this accomplishment; (HLS 805)

the members of the Gorham High School Boys Indoor Track Team, who won the State Class B Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 806)

Benjamin Thayer, of Gorham High School, on scoring 1,067 points in his high school basketball career. We extend our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 807)

the following members of the 2005 graduating class of Hall-Dale High School, who have earned the distinction of being named Hall-Dale High School Top Ten Seniors: Katharine Reutershan, Gretchen Riker, Barbara Watson, Danielle Cromwell, Bethany Mealey, Danica Koenig, Iva Allen, Victoria Levesque, Kyleigh Corrigan and Zachary Sears. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 808)

the following students who have earned the distinction of being named as the Top Ten students of the 2005 graduating class of Gardiner High School: Ashley Devereaux, Susan McGee, Nicole Peacock, Courtney Phillips, James Pierce, Sarah Rowlands, Rose Smith, Stacey Owen, Julia Shaw and Megan Varney. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 809)

Blair Richardson, of York, a member of Boy Scout Venturing Crew 333, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Blair on this accomplishment; (HLS 810)

Donald J. Leaver, of Topsham, a veteran of World War II. Mr. Leaver served with the 75th Troop Carrier Squadron, 535th Troop Carrier Group for more than 3 years and was discharged in

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1945. He participated in 7 campaigns and battles, including the Battle of Normandy and the campaigns of Northern France, Rome-Arno, Southern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. During those campaigns and battles, he received the Good Conduct Medal, the European Theater Campaign Ribbon, the African Theater Campaign Ribbon, the Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Ribbon and the Distinguished Unit Badge. Mr. Leaver is survived by his 5 sons, Robert, Don, Dennis, David and Wayne. We are honored to recognize the life of this distinguished veteran who served his country; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 811)

Gladys E. Conant, a lifelong resident of Canton, and prominent citizen of the town. Mrs. Conant was a 68-year member of the 4-H Club and served as a leader for many years. In 2002, she was inducted in the 4-H Hall of Fame in Washington, D.C. She was a 74-year member of the Farm Credit of Maine and received its Distinguished Service Award. In addition, she was a state president, county president, county treasurer and Canton chapter president of the Cooperative Women of Extension Group. Mrs. Conant loved her community and was actively involved in it, in addition to raising her own family. She served on the Canton school department and MSAD 21 school board for 49 years. She was a member of the Canton Town Republican Committee and served as polling booth clerk. Among her many talents was a passion for music, and she was a gifted piano teacher and was church organist. Mrs. Conant exemplified the Maine heritage of good citizenship. She will be greatly missed by her loving family, her neighbors and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 812)

the following members of the Lee Academy Girls Varsity Basketball Team, on their winning the 2005 Class D State Championship: Shelby Pickering, Kerri Harris, Jacqueline Moors, Ashley Jandreau, Amanda Jandreau, Karin Bird, Amanda Gifford, Dana Houghton, Aarika Ritchie, Brooke Harris, Laci McLaughlin, Nicole Jandreau, Manager Kathy Yoon, Manager Crystal Briggs, Assistant Coach Candance Gifford and Coach Ronald Weatherbee. This is the team's first state championship and their first undefeated season, with 22 wins. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 813)

Harvey Williams, of North Anson, who is the recipient of the Maine Snowmobile Association's Groomer of the Year Award. Mr. Williams has been both the trail master and chief groomer for the Anson-North Anson Snowmobile Club since it was founded and is responsible for the more than 70 miles of trails maintained by the club. He has been instrumental in encouraging the club to upgrade equipment. We thank Mr. Williams for the many hours that he has contributed to making and maintaining outstanding snowmobile trails that are available to all snowmobilers. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (HLS 814)

Travis Watson, of Oakland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 436, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Travis on this accomplishment; (HLS 815)

the members of the Bonny Eagle High School Ice Hockey Team, of Standish, who are the recipients of the Class A Ice Hockey Coaches Association Western Maine Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations to the team on their receiving this award; (HLS 816)

Michelle James, of China, an 8th-grade student at China Middle School, on winning the 2005 Kennebec County Spelling

Bee, and then going on to compete and win 2nd place at the 2005 Maine State Spelling Bee. We extend our congratulations to Michelle on her achievements and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 817)

the Center for Cultural Exchange, of Portland, which is dedicated to advancing cultural understanding and appreciation by bringing together diverse communities and artists in our state and from around the world. In a short time, the center has built a vibrant and exciting cultural resource for all people of the state, attracting some of the finest and most diverse performers. Hosting more than 200 events a year, the center is among the most active public presenters of ethnic heritage in New England. We congratulate the Center for Cultural Exchange on its success and we send our best wishes on its future success; (HLS 818)

Weston and Charlotte Elliott, of Canaan, who have been named Snowmobile Family of the Year by the Maine Snowmobile Association. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott have been lifelong enthusiasts of snowmobiling and belong to their local club, the Smokey's Angels Snowmobile Club of Hartland. They have volunteered with the club since 1977. Mrs. Elliott has held the office of treasurer and served as a trailmaster for 28 years. Mr. Elliott has been the club president, vice president and served on the club Board of Directors. We extend our congratulations to them on their receiving this recognition and wish them many more years of safe and enjoyable riding; (HLS 819)

the Honorable Gwilym Roberts, of Farmington, who represented District 56 during the 112th Legislature. He was a professor at the University of Maine at Farmington for 43 years. His greatest accomplishment is considered to be his participation in the drive to create a liberal arts department at the university, which is now one of the top public liberal arts schools in the Northeast. The Roberts Learning Center has been named in his honor. Professor Roberts brought a wealth of knowledge and history to all that he did and he was a mentor to thousands of students. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his students and to the University of Maine at Farmington. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, his colleagues and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 820)

Christine Hastedt, of Freeport, who is the recipient of the Mabel Sine Wadsworth Women's Health Achievement Award, signifying her outstanding contributions to the health and welfare of the people of the State of Maine. Ms. Hastedt has been an advocate for more than 30 years for the rights and economic justice of people and families in Maine with low incomes. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the people of the State, and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 821)

Captain Robert S. Winneg, U.S.N., of Brunswick, and in extending best wishes to Captain Winneg, his wife Teresa and their children on the occasion of his reassignment. As Commanding Officer of the Brunswick Naval Air Station, Captain Winneg will leave a lasting impact on the midcoast region. Through his involvement with numerous civic organizations, he has strengthened and enhanced the partnership between the Navy and the surrounding communities. He is recognized for his outstanding leadership skills. We extend our best wishes for continued success to Captain Winneg; (HLS 822)

Kaitlin Dirrig, of Holden, a senior at Bangor High School, who is a recipient of the Charles E. French Medal. This medal is given to the 4 students having the highest cumulative average in the graduating class. We extend our congratulations to Kaitlin on this achievement; (HLS 823)

Ben Weissman, of Dedham, a senior at Bangor High School, who is a recipient of the Charles E. French Medal. This medal is given to the 4 students having the highest cumulative average in

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the graduating class. We extend our congratulations to Ben on this achievement; (HLS 824)

Elizabeth Burroughs-Heineman, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who is a recipient of the Charles E. French Medal. This medal is given to the 4 students having the highest cumulative average in the graduating class. We extend our congratulations to Elizabeth on this achievement; (HLS 825)

Jue Wang, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who is a recipient of the Charles E. French Medal. This medal is given to the 4 students having the highest cumulative average in the graduating class. We extend our congratulations to Jue on this achievement; (HLS 826)

August 13, 2005, as First Founders Day, to honor the founders of Acadia National Park. We also recognize the private citizens group The Spirit of Acadia, which organized to inform the public of the men and women who donated lands to the federal government to preserve it for the future and of the importance of what they did. On August 13, 1901, the founders of Acadia National Park met for the first time in Seal Harbor. Because of their generosity and foresight, we now enjoy one of the most beautiful national parks in America, located in the State of Maine. We join the group The Spirit of America and the towns on Mount Desert Island and in the rest of Hancock County in celebrating First Founders Day, in appreciation of the gifts of the first founders' time, energy and financial donations; (HLS 827)

Jack Hoyt, of Temple, on the occasion of his retirement as a custodian for School Administrative District No. 9. We send our appreciation to Mr. Hoyt for his dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 828)

Melvin Burnham, of Skowhegan, on the occasion of his retirement as principal of W.G. Mallett School in Farmington. We send our appreciation to Mr. Burnham for his dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 829)

Lucinda Poulin, of Wilton, who has been named a Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year. Ms. Poulin has been a 5th grade teacher at Academy Hill School for 21 years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Poulin for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (HLS 830)

Norma Beedy, of Strong, on the occasion of her retirement as a bus driver for School Administrative District No. 9. We send our appreciation to Ms. Beedy for her 25 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 831)

Cynthia Leib, of Wilton, on the occasion of her retirement as a physical education teacher at Mt. Blue Middle School. We send our appreciation to Ms. Leib for her 18 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 832)

Paul Gooch, of Wilton, on the occasion of his retirement as a principal of schools in Wilton and Weld. We send our appreciation to Mr. Gooch for his 27 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 833)

Holly Price, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement as a differentiated curriculum coordinator and elementary school teacher for School Administrative District No. 9. We send our appreciation to Ms. Price for her 24 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 834)

Janice Mildram, of Carrabassett Valley, on the occasion of her retirement as a physical education and math teacher for

School Administrative District No. 9. We send our appreciation to Ms. Mildram for her 23 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 835)

Deborah Burd, of Strong, who has been hired as director of the National Campaign for Sustainable Agriculture, an alliance of hundreds of organizations from across the country representing the interests of farmers and farm workers who live in urban and rural communities. Prior to this, Ms. Burd has been executive director of the Western Mountain Alliance. In recognition of the strong base of support she has, the agency's main office will move from New York City to Portland, Maine. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Burd on her new position and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 836)

Valmore Dunn, of Vienna, on the occasion of his retirement as a bus driver for School Administrative District No. 9. We send our appreciation to Mr. Dunn for his 21 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 837)

Maurie Shink, of Jay, on the occasion of her retirement as an education technician at Mt. Blue High School library. We send our appreciation to Ms. Shink for her dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 838)

James Mario Fossa III, of Waterville, a member of Boy Scout Troop #436, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to James on his accomplishment; (HLS 839)

that October 15, 2005 and the 15th of October of subsequent years is named "Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day," to recognize the grief of the families involved, remember the pregnancies and infants lost and to help heal and comfort the families and give them hope for the future. Each year in our nation, more than 16% of pregnancies end in either a miscarriage or stillbirth and tens of thousands of live-births end in deaths of infants 11 months old and younger. We encourage that information on this subject be made available to the public and we also encourage all society to respond with compassion to help heal the pain of these families; (HLS 840)

the following members of the 2005 graduating class of Fort Kent Community High School, who have earned the distinction of being named the Fort Kent Community High School Top Ten Seniors: Iris Guimond, Valedictorian; Minal M. Caron, Salutatorian; Burke Dean Perreault, Honor Essayist; Sarah Dubay, Keisha Marie Hartt, Adam Jandreau, Mathew Kinney, Ashley Pelletier, Deidra Pelletier and Patrick Robichaud. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 841)

the 3 Global DestiNation Imagination teams from John Baptist Memorial High School, in Bangor, which made it to the 2005 national competition in Tennessee. We extend our congratulations to the following members of the school's teams: Kylie Hopkins, Kristy Kerns, Brian Cowan, Danny Wheeler, Michael Sekera, Sam Swanton, Charles Bergeron, Nick Gramlinch, Nick Hubbard, Sam Rioux, Justin Bousfield, Lukas Wong-Acorn, Joe Price, Matthew Edwards and Matthew Dooman; (HLS 842)

Sharon Elwell, of Buxton, on his 33 years of dedicated service to the Town of Buxton in the Highway Department. Mr. Elwell was elected Road Commissioner for the lower district in 1972 and in 2001 he assumed the position of Road Commissioner for

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both the upper and lower districts when the duties were consolidated. We join the town in acknowledging his service to his community and we extend our best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 843)

Edith "Virgie" Wright, of Buxton, who has had the town's annual report dedicated to her in recognition of her service to her community. Mrs. Wright is a founding member of the Saco Valley Civic Association and has been active in the PTA, boosters and her children's schools. Mrs. Wright exemplifies good citizenship and we extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor; (HLS 844)

Carl Estes, of Buxton, a longtime prominent citizen of the town. Mr. Estes was on the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission and the Buxton Comprehensive Planning Committee and Planning Board. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community. He will be missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 845)

Robert Strong, of Bangor, professor of finance and University of Maine Foundation Professor of Investment Education, who has been named Distinguished Maine Professor by the University of Maine Alumni Association for his outstanding achievements in teaching, research and public service. He has been a faculty member at the University of Maine since 1983 and his colleagues have noted his positive interaction with his students throughout his 22 years of teaching. In 1993, Professor Strong started the Student Portfolio Investment Fund (SPIFFY), through which students manage a University of Maine Foundation investment fund. It began with a \$200,000 allotment and the fund is now valued at more than \$1.1 million. He is a recognized scholar in his field, and is very active in civic organizations and statewide commissions. We extend our congratulations to Professor Strong on his receiving this honor; (HLS 846)

James Acheson, of Bangor, professor of anthropology and marine resources, who is the recipient of the Presidential Research and Creative Achievement Award. Professor Acheson has been a professor at the University of Maine since 1968 and among his scholarly achievements are 4 books, including *The Lobster Gangs of Maine*, a book listed by the Baxter Society as one of the One Hundred Distinguished Books about Maine. He received the American Anthropological Association's Solon T. Kimball Award for Public and Applied Anthropology in 2004, the nation's highest honor in his field. We extend our congratulations to Professor Acheson on his receiving these distinguished awards; (HLS 847)

David Lambert, of Orono, who is the recipient of the Presidential Public Service Achievement Award from the University of Maine Department of Plant, Soil and Environmental Sciences. Professor Lambert is a plant pathologist and has worked extensively to inform and educate the potato industry about potentially damaging diseases that have had significant implications for potato growers in Maine and elsewhere. We acknowledge his valuable contribution to Maine agriculture and we extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (HLS 848)

Patricia Burns, of Orono, professor of English, who is the recipient of the Presidential Teaching Award. She has been on the faculty of the University of Maine for 33 years, and is coordinator of English Composition, required of most first-year students. She oversees College Composition, a post that includes supervision of all English Department teaching assistants. Professor Burns also teaches other English courses, including a course on teaching college writing. She has been an active participant in departmental and university faculty organizations throughout her career and has benefited students

and teachers throughout Maine. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award; (HLS 849)

Thora Maltais, of Thomaston, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Georges Valley High School. We send our congratulations to Thora on this accomplishment; (HLS 850)

the following Honor Parts students of the Glenburn School: Sean Seekins, Valedictorian; Kristi Woods, Salutatorian; Brianna Morrissey, Flag Salute; and Ashley Wiley, Class Marshall. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 851)

Irma D. Folsom, of Monmouth. Mrs. Folsom was known as "Grammie" Folsom to all of the children in the Monmouth School system because of the 26 years she worked in the school cafeteria as a cook. She was born in Rome and graduated from Monmouth Academy. She was a mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Boynton Chapter, a 76-year member of the Monmouth Grange, a member of the Friday Club and a member of Monmouth Senior citizens. Mrs. Folsom will be greatly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 852)

Constance "Ginny" Bragdon, of Peru, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District #21 after many years of service as a volunteer, a school board member and the school librarian. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Bragdon for her commitment to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 853)

Arlene Collins, of Livermore Falls, on the occasion of her retirement as a teacher at Dixfield Elementary School. We send our appreciation to her for her 31 years of dedicated service and commitment to the school and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 854)

Wanda Howard, of Rumford, on the occasion of her retirement as a teacher for Maine School Administrative District #21. We send our appreciation to her for her 33 years of dedicated service and commitment to Maine School Administrative District #21 and extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 855)

the annual Rockland North Atlantic Blues Festival, as it celebrates the popular American music form on July 9 and July 10, 2005 in Harbor Park, Rockland, overlooking picturesque Rockland Harbor. Some of the top names in blues music are performing at this festival, one of the most prestigious on the East Coast. We extend our best wishes to the Rockland North Atlantic Blues Festival for its continuing success; (HLS 856)

Alecia Palmer, of Presque Isle, who has been named a United States National Award winner in mathematics. The United States Achievement Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students to receive this award. Alecia attends the 6th grade at Skyway Middle School. Students are selected based on their academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and recommendation from a teacher or director. We extend our congratulations to Alecia on her receiving this prestigious honor; (HLS 857)

Christopher Brouwer, of Warren, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 858)

Kimberly Prior, of Cushing, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of

Georges Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Kimberly for this accomplishment; (HLS 859)

Nathalie Preston Bennett, of Sanford, a longtime educator. Mrs. Bennett was a graduate of Farmington Normal School and began her teaching career in 1932 in Madison and at Sanford High School from 1934 to 1940. In 1940, she married George Roger Bennett and became a homemaker. In 1954 she returned to teaching at Kennebunk High School and then at Sanford Schools until 1976. Mrs. Bennett received a Master of Science in Education degree in 1971. She was a member of the North Parish Congregational Church and taught Sunday school and participated in Girl Scouts. She was a member of numerous professional educational organizations. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 860)

Joseph Myers Koch III, of Cumberland Foreside. Mr. Koch was a devoted husband and father who cherished his family and home. He began his career at Boeing Corporation in Seattle and later became vice president of finance at Cianbro Corporation. He joined Dragon Cement Company in 1985 and served as the company's chief financial officer before being named president in 1993. He served on the board of the Maine State Chamber beginning in 1995 and served as its chair in 2001. He was also a board member of the Pine Tree Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Portland Cement Association and the Northeast Cement Shippers Association. He is survived by his loving wife of 26 years, Susan, and their 2 children. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the business community and his profession. He will be greatly missed by his family, his friends and his colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 861)

John Turner on the occasion of his retirement after 10 years as Superintendent for the Peru School District. Under the direction of Mr. Turner, the district has seen numerous improvements. His dedication to the students, staff and school will be missed throughout the community. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Turner for his commitment to the youth of the State and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 862)

the following members of the Westbrook High School Jazz Combo, on the occasion of their winning the 2005 State Championship at the Maine State Jazz Festival: Jim Siulinski, Eric Moberg, Matt Brady, Kyle Anderson, Andrew Morse, Jordan Rich and their director David Wells. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the band on its achievement; (HLS 863)

the following members of the Westbrook High School Jazz Band, on the occasion of their winning the 2005 Division I State Championship at the Maine State Jazz Festival: Jim Siulinski, Jeff Rutter, Devon Gilbert, Erika LaFlamme, Leah Douglass, Billy Fenderson, Gretchen Carroll, Jennifer Malloy, Matt Brady, Jack Siulinski, Eric Moberg, Nate Foster, Jessica Webster, Spencer Carson, Mikala Carson, Kyle Anderson, Andrew Morse, Jordan Rich, Nick Brady and band director Phil Rich. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the band on its achievement; (HLS 864)

Ken and Polly Bartow, owners of Bartow Construction located in Otisfield, on the celebration of their 25 years in business. Ken and Polly founded their construction business in 1979. They began by offering remodeling services and in 1984 built their first home. They have continued remodeling and building quality homes along with offering exceptional customer service in the Oxford Hills and Western Maine area. We extend our congratulations and send our best wishes for many years of continued success; (HLS 865)

the members of the rock band O.R.B.I.T.S. from Maranacook Community School in Readfield, who won the statewide Reindeer

Rock-Off on Sunday, May 15, 2005. The band competed over the last several months with 19 of the most promising young rock groups in Maine. The members of O.R.B.I.T.S. are: Willy Herman, bass and back-up vocalist; Peter Herman, lead guitarist; John Mrazik, percussionist; Dean Grondin, rhythm guitarist; and Sam Watson, lead vocalist. The band was awarded \$1,000 in prize money and 15 hours of free recording time in Portland and was designated "The Best Young Rock Band in Maine." We extend our congratulations to these young musicians and best wishes for their musical futures; (HLS 866)

Godfrey Lake, of South Portland, winner of the Key Bank Student Award at the Southern Maine Community College 2nd Annual Entrepreneurial Awards Dinner. Godfrey is pursuing an industrial electrical degree from Southern Maine Community College and plans to graduate in 2006. A licensed electrician, he has worked in the electrical field since 1999 and he founded Lake Electric, an electrical contracting, construction and maintenance business in South Portland. He recently incorporated his business, which specializes in older home electrical service and repair, electrical assessment and consultation; code standardization; and appliance, cable and telephone installation and repair. In 2001, he entered Southern Maine Technical College and began to pursue his industrial electrical degree. He completed the "FastTrac" New Venture Program at Southern Maine Community College. We congratulate Godfrey on his success; (HLS 867)

Daniel A. Riser-Espinoza, of Waldoboro, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this accomplishment; (HLS 868)

David and Priscilla Hartford, of Smithfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 30, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Hartford are very active in the community, especially with the Fairview Grange. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 869)

George Taylor, of Fairfield, on his 50th consecutive year as a coach of youth baseball. Throughout this time, he has been an outstanding role model, displaying dedication and the ultimate in sportsmanship and respect for his players and officials and opponents. He has also served the Town of Fairfield for many years as a member of the Police Athletic League board, as plumbing inspector and as public works director. We are pleased to recognize George for his many years of service and to extend our congratulations on this special occasion; (HLS 870)

Zachary Hynes, of Yarmouth, who is the recipient of a Diplomacy Award. The award was given at the 2005 Maine Model United Nations Conference at the University of Southern Maine. The conference was held May 17 to 19 and involved more than 300 students from high schools throughout New England in a simulation of the activities and deliberations of the United Nations. The award is the highest individual honor granted at the conference and is given to a delegate in each United Nations committee who best embodies excellence in research, written composition, knowledge of procedures, conflict resolution, negotiation skills and speech making. Zachary received the award for his exemplary work as the delegate representing Bolivia in the Organization of American States. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this achievement; (HLS 871)

the following students from Gorham High School who are recipients of the Best Delegation Award at the 2005 Maine Model United Nations Conference: Antoine Cadot-Wood, Maia Fleming, Samantha Jones, Patrick Parker and Anastasia Miliano. The conference was held May 17 to 19 and involved more than 300

students from high schools throughout New England in a simulation of the activities and deliberations of the United Nations. The Best Delegation Award is presented to the country team whose delegates best embody excellence in research, written composition, knowledge of procedures, conflict resolution, negotiation skills and speech making. These Gorham High School students received this award for their exemplary work as delegates representing the United States. We extend our congratulations to these students on this achievement; (HLS 872)

Maia Fleming, of Gorham, who is the recipient of a Diplomacy Award. The award was given at the 2005 Maine Model United Nations Conference at the University of Southern Maine. The conference was held May 17 to 19 and involved more than 300 students from high schools throughout New England in a simulation of the activities and deliberations of the United Nations. The award is the highest individual honor granted at the conference and is given to a delegate in each United Nations committee who best embodies excellence in research, written composition, knowledge of procedures, conflict resolution, negotiation skills and speech making. Ms. Fleming received the award for her exemplary work as the delegate representing the United States on the Security Council. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Fleming on this achievement; (HLS 873)

D.J. Joffe, of Buxton, who is the recipient of a Diplomacy Award. The award was given at the 2005 Maine Model United Nations Conference at the University of Southern Maine. The conference was held May 17 to 19 and involved more than 300 students from high schools throughout New England in a simulation of the activities and deliberations of the United Nations. The award is the highest individual honor granted at the conference and is given to a delegate in each United Nations committee who best embodies excellence in research, written composition, knowledge of procedures, conflict resolution, negotiation skills and speech making. Ms. Joffe received the award for her exemplary work as the delegate representing Spain in the Special Session on Natural Disasters. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Joffe on this achievement; (HLS 874)

Doris Bryant Makas, of Lewiston, on the occasion of her 95th birthday, June 5, 2005. Mrs. Makas is the proud mother of Representative Elaine Makas of Lewiston and Bruce Makas of Sun Lakes, Arizona and proud grandmother of Brian Makas of Metuchen, New Jersey. Throughout her life, Mrs. Makas has dedicated herself to her family, her employers and her community. She is much loved for her wit, her great sense of humor, her generosity and her youthful spirit. We extend our congratulations and wish many happy returns to Mrs. Makas on this special occasion; (HLS 875)

the following members of the 2005 graduating class of Lisbon High School, who have earned the distinction of being named Lisbon High School Top Ten Seniors: Kimberly Beth Campbell, Stephanie Lynn Cummings, Alycia Lynn Eaton, Nerissa Jane Gross, Jason Michael Hayes, Samantha Rose Hayslip, Turner Francis Huston, Chelsea Nicole McMaster, Emily Adrienne Poliquin and Jennifer Marilyn Russell-Bickford. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 876)

Deirdre M. Mageean, of Orono, for her 18 years of dedicated and honorable service to the University of Maine as a researcher, professor and administrator. Dr. Mageean has served as Research Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology, Associate Professor in the Department of Resource Economics and Policy, Director of the Margaret Chase Smith Center for Public Policy and Associate Vice-president for Research and Dean of the Graduate School. She has served on numerous

Ph.D. and master's degree committees within several departments, including Economics, History, Resource Economics and Policy, Spatial Information Science and Engineering, the School of Marine Sciences and the School of Wildlife Ecology. Dr. Mageean's well-respected research and published works include many books and articles on social, environmental and public policy in Maine and around the world. Her advocacy on behalf of sound policy making and the University of Maine is greatly appreciated and will not be forgotten; (HLS 877)

Hermon Elementary School students for their outstanding efforts in raising \$12,000 for the American Heart Association. The pupils of Hermon Elementary School have participated for the past 16 years in the Jump Rope for Heart annual event sponsored by the American Heart Association and endorsed by the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Led by their physical education teacher Deb Aucoin, 260 students took part in the event this year, spending their day jumping rope. We congratulate the students and staff of Hermon Elementary School on their success in raising nearly \$100,000 for the association through the years and their commitment in supporting this excellent cause; (HLS 878)

meteorologist Dave Santoro, of Gorham, on the occasion of his retirement after 15 years of forecasting Maine's marvelous weather, to undertake the high calling and new career as a teacher in the Portland Public School System. A native of Morris, Connecticut, he began his boyhood weather career as an observer for meteorologist Paul Cousins, later his adult colleague at WGME-TV. He received his meteorology degree from Lyndon State College and joined WGME-TV in December, 1989, a winter of record-setting cold, as he fondly recalls. He debuted as the first "Daybreak Meteorologist," and designed the pioneering "Dave's Weather Digest," first as a printed almanac and now on the World Wide Web. From the era of the teletype to the Internet, he has cheerfully forecast Maine's changeable, formidable weather with charm, grace and expertise. We salute him as he embarks on his new career as a 5th-grade math teacher for students of the 21st century, seeding refreshing rains and sunny skies in the hearts of young people in Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the Sea"; (HLS 879)

Specialist Richard King, of South Portland, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming SPC King home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 880)

Samuel J. Jackson, of South Portland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Sam is a member of Troop #23 in South Portland and is the son of Paul and Gael Jackson. He is a senior at South Portland High School and was recently accepted to attend Northeastern University. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sam on his achievements; (HLS 881)

the following members of the 2005 graduating class of Freeport High School, who have earned the distinction of graduating with top honors: Summa Cum Laude Graduates Kathryn Abigail Albright, Melissa Bernard, Travis Brennan, Jarrod Burton, John Chisholm, Emmy Farnham, Kevin Gridley, Nicholas Heinz, Ariel Lewis, Courtney Lynn Martin, Nicholas A. Martin, Maria McMorrow, Grace K. Montgomery, Katie Muldoon, David Oransky, Danielle O'Rourke-Suchoff, Margaret A. Plouffe, Daniel Sanberg, Katherine E. Shaw, Racquel Mariel Skold, Jeffrey Smith, Maggie Smith, Travis Smith-Evans, Erin Soule, Kaj A. Thomsen and Cory L. Warren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this accomplishment; (HLS 882)

the Honorable Daniel B. Williams, of Orono, former member of the Maine House of Representatives and longtime and enthusiastic supporter of music and arts at the University of Maine, who is the 2005 recipient of the annual Vincent A. Hartgen Award by the University of Maine Patrons of the Arts for advancing the community of the arts on campus. An original advisory board member of the Maine Center for the Arts, he co-chairs the center's Gala Committee and serves on other center committees. He is a member of the American Choral Directors Association and has performed in several productions of the School of Performing Arts, where he has served as music director. Mr. Williams is the founder and music director of the University of Maine Black Bear Men's Chorus. He also directs "The Landlords," a men's glee club, which performs regularly for area civic groups and community organizations. Each year, Mr. Williams co-writes and co-directs a show performed by University students at the Stillwater Society Dinner, which, through song, recognizes and honors up to 4 prominent University of Maine alumni. He has been a valuable asset to the university arts community and the Maine Center for the Arts for almost a decade. We acknowledge his leadership and commitment to the area of arts outreach and we extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this honor; (HLS 883)

Chris R. Pelletier, of Frenchville, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Wisdom Middle High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his accomplishments; (HLS 884)

Sarah Desjardins, of Frenchville, who has earned the distinction of being named Honor Essayist of the 2005 graduating class of Wisdom Middle High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her accomplishments; (HLS 885)

Lydia D. Plourde, of Frenchville, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Wisdom Middle High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her accomplishments; (HLS 886)

Kassie Levesque, of Madawaska, who has earned the distinction of being second in her class of the 2005 graduating class of Madawaska High School. She is vice-president of the National Honor Society and the Student Council. She was a delegate to Dirigo Girls' State and a member of the math team, the HIV Student Leadership team, the yearbook staff, the band and the pep band. She participated in soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball and skiing. She will attend the University of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her accomplishments; (HLS 887)

Holger and Patricia Pulkkinen, of South Paris, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 1, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Pulkkinen were married in Norway. Mr. Pulkkinen joined the United States Navy and served 20 years travelling to many ports, accompanied by Mrs. Pulkkinen. They settled on Hooper Ledge Road in Paris with their family, where they continue to share their retired years together. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Pulkkinen on this special occasion and wish them continued happiness; (HLS 888)

Jessica Belanger, of Caribou, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations to Jessica on this achievement; (HLS 889)

Seth Swanberg, of Caribou, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of

Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations to Seth on this achievement; (HLS 890)

WVII-TV station, of Bangor, which won awards in the following categories at the Annual Maine Associated Press Broadcasters Association contest: Sports Videography, Public Affairs, Enterprise, Feature and Writing; (HLS 891)

WABI-TV station, of Bangor, which won awards in the following categories at the Annual Maine Associated Press Broadcasters Association contest: Sports Play-by-Play, Spot News, Public Affairs, Election Coverage and Continuous Coverage; (HLS 892)

WZON radio station, of Bangor, which won awards in the following categories at the Annual Maine Associated Press Broadcasters Association contest: Sports Feature, Sports Play-by-Play, Sportscast and Newscast; (HLS 893)

WVOM-Radio Station, of Bangor, which won an award for Election Coverage at the Annual Maine Associated Press Broadcasters Association contest; (HLS 894)

Paul Curtis, of Rockland, who is the recipient of a National Football Foundation College Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete Award. The award is given each year to the top 10 senior football scholar-athletes in the State. Paul plays football and is among the State's finest track and field athletes; he competes in both indoor and outdoor track at Rockland District High School. Academically he ranks 12th in his graduating class and scored 1200 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. He was chosen for the All-Conference Team 2 years in a row. We extend our congratulations to Paul on his accomplishments; (HLS 895)

Ellen Ross, of Scarborough, on the occasion of her retirement as coach of the Scarborough High School Academic Decathlon Team. In her final year as decathlon coach, Ms. Ross did what she has done 15 times before: win the State Championship and put the team into national competition. Her teams have won 16 titles over the years and we acknowledge her exemplary skills as a coach and a mentor to her students. We extend our congratulations to her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (HLS 896)

Marc Girard, of Glenburn, who has been named a 2005 delegate to the 58th Annual American Legion Dirigo Boys State. This is a program designed to provide an opportunity to participate in a program that educates young men to learn more about local, county and state government. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 897)

the 7 sons of Alice and Alfred Payeur, of Springvale, who joined the United States military during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. They served honorably, ranging in years from 1941 to 1968. Clement, Robert, Conrad, Raymond, Albert, Donald and Larry Payeur gave a total of 47 years to the United States Army and the United States Navy for the future and security of their country. The Sanford News dedicated its 2001 Veterans' Day issue to these brave men, reviewing the military history of each man. We acknowledge their selfless dedicated service to our Nation, and we extend to them our best wishes; (HLS 898)

Katherine Jones, of Glenburn, who has been named a 2005 delegate to the American Legion Auxiliary Dirigo Girls State. This is a program designed to provide an opportunity to participate in a program that educates young women to learn more about local, county and state government. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 899)

Sergeant Scott James Lewis, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lewis who have stepped forward to

fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lewis home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 900)

Private Christopher Scoville, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private Scoville who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private Scoville home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 901)

Specialist Kim Marie Purington, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Purington who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Purington home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 902)

Sergeant Timothy Edward Lavigne, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lavigne who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lavigne home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 903)

Private First Class Joseph Woodrow Fontenot, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Fontenot who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Fontenot home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 904)

Specialist David Scott Berry, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Berry who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Berry home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 905)

Sergeant First Class Michael David Kutz, of Lagrange, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Kutz who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Kutz home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 906)

Staff Sergeant David Louis Bellefleur, of Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Bellefleur who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that

we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Bellefleur home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 907)

Private First Class Tanya Rolande Hebert, of Chesterville, who has returned home from active duty with the 240th Engineer Group stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Hebert who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Hebert home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 908)

Sergeant Eric Benjamin Day, of Charlotte, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Day who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Day home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 909)

Staff Sergeant Daniel Patrick McDonald, of Charlotte, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant McDonald who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant McDonald home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 910)

Specialist Clayton Alan McDonald, of Charlotte, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist McDonald who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist McDonald home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 911)

Sergeant Lendell Glen Tarr, of Ashland, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Tarr who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Tarr home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 912)

Staff Sergeant Sean Eric Mantlow, of Ashland, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Mantlow who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Mantlow home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 913)

Sergeant Culley Wade Lasselle, of Burnham, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lasselle who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State



in welcoming Sergeant Lasselle home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 914)

Specialist Kyle Devin Roy, of Burnham, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Roy who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Roy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 915)

Specialist Kenneth Andrew Lackie, of Burnham, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Lackie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Lackie home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 916)

Sergeant Matthew Alex Boucher, of Byron, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Boucher who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Boucher home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 917)

Private First Class Frank Nathan Poussard, of Wales, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Poussard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Poussard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 918)

Specialist Scott Alan Morgan, of New Sweden, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Morgan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Morgan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 919)

Specialist Davis Calvin Deschaine, of New Canada, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Deschaine who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Deschaine home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 920)

Specialist Trevor Francis Philbrook, of Northport, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Philbrook who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Philbrook home and

in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 921)

Sergeant Harold James Gray, of Penobscot, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Gray who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Gray home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 922)

Specialist Charles Raymond Davis, of Starks, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Davis who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Davis home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 923)

Sergeant Duane Howard Haight, Jr., of Troy, who has returned home from active duty with the 172nd Infantry stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Haight who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Haight home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 924)

Specialist Scott Eliot Jones, of Montville, who has returned home from active duty with the 172nd Infantry stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Jones who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Jones home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 925)

Specialist Meaghan Fawn Jones, of Montville, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Jones who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Jones home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 926)

Staff Sergeant Harold Wayne Fitch, of Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Fitch who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Fitch home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 927)

Sergeant Peter Paul Joyce, of Harrington, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Joyce who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Joyce home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 928)

Sergeant William Glen Furbush, of Kittery, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Furbush who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Furbush home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 929)

Specialist Walter Jason Dyer, of Lagrange, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Dyer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Dyer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 930)

Staff Sergeant Steve Allen Taggett, of Limestone, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Taggett who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Taggett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 931)

Sergeant Benjamin Franklin Wood, of Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 240th Engineer Group stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Wood who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Wood home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 932)

Specialist Eric Tracy Dumont, of Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Dumont who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Dumont home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 933)

Sergeant John Johnny Ouellette, of St. Francis, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Ouellette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Ouellette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 934)

Specialist Joel Robert Blackwell, of Whitefield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Blackwell who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Blackwell home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 935)

Private First Class Brad Tobey Bowden, of Whitefield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Bowden who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Bowden home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 936)

Specialist Jacob Norman Mathews, of Whitefield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Mathews who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Mathews home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 937)

Sergeant Joseph Anthony Infante, of Waterville, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Infante who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Infante home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 938)

Sergeant Todd Erik Kiilsgaard, of Westbrook, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Kiilsgaard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Kiilsgaard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 939)

Sergeant Douglas Edward Chabot, Jr., of Westbrook, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Chabot who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Chabot home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 940)

Sergeant Lawrence Linwood McManus, of Addison, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Maintenance Company stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant McManus who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant McManus home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 941)

Sergeant William Ranta, of Monson, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Ranta who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Ranta home and in extending our

appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 942)

Private First Class Christopher Wade, of Sidney, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Wade who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Wade home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 943)

Sergeant First Class Diane Robinson, of Sidney, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Robinson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Robinson home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 944)

Specialist Albert Goff, of Sidney, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Goff who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Goff home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 945)

Staff Sergeant Earl Holt, of Sidney, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Holt who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Holt home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 946)

Sergeant Shonn Perry, of Oakland, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Perry who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Perry home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 947)

Sergeant Levi Orff, of Oakland, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Orff who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy

liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Orff home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 948)

Sergeant Weldon Bean, of Oakland, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Bean who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Bean home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 949)

Specialist Josh Metcalf, of Porter, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Metcalf who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Metcalf home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 950)

Sergeant Jeffrey Blake, of Fryeburg, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Blake who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Blake home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 951)

Sergeant Carrie Fletcher, of Fryeburg, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Fletcher who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Fletcher home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 952)

Specialist Jason Patterson, of Fryeburg, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Patterson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Patterson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 953)

Sergeant Christopher Boyce, of Waterford, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations

of men and women like Sergeant Boyce who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Boyce home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 954)

Staff Sergeant Steve Bond, of Waterford, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Bond who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Bond home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 955)

Specialist Jonathan Stevens, of West Paris, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Stevens who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Stevens home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 956)

Sergeant Randall Jones, of West Paris, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Jones who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Jones home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 957)

Sergeant Shawn Coffin, of West Paris, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Coffin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Coffin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 958)

Specialist Jon Eldred, of Norway, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Eldred who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Eldred home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 959)

Second Lieutenant Lisa Sessions, of Norway, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While

in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Second Lieutenant Sessions who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Second Lieutenant Sessions home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 960)

Specialist Jason Reardon, of Norway, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Reardon who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Reardon home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 961)

Captain Daniel Curtis, of Norway, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Curtis who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Curtis home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 962)

Staff Sergeant Stephen Deabay, of Brewer, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Deabay who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Deabay home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 963)

Specialist Philip Cyrus, of Brewer, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cyrus who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cyrus home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 964)

Staff Sergeant Anthony Long, of Eddington, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Long who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Long home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 965)

Staff Sergeant Paula Linscott, of Clifton, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We

have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Linscott who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Linscott home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 966)

Sergeant Norman Long, of Eddington, who has returned home after 12 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Long who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Long home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 967)

Sergeant Michael Knights, of Bradley, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Knights who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Knights home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 968)

Staff Sergeant Richard Hatch, of Hebron, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Hatch who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Hatch home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 969)

Sergeant Scott St. Pierre, of Hebron, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant St. Pierre who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant St. Pierre home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 970)

Staff Sergeant Maurice Hebert, of Hebron, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Hebert who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Hebert home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 971)

Sergeant First Class Henry Lauze, of Minot, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations

of men and women like Sergeant First Class Lauze who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Lauze home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 972)

Sergeant Pete Adamen, of Turner, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Adamen who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Adamen home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 973)

Specialist Christian Duchette, of Turner, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Duchette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Duchette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 974)

Sergeant James Cote, of Turner, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Cote who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Cote home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 975)

Specialist Richard Hovey, of Turner, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hovey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hovey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 976)

Sergeant Eric Richardson, of Canton, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Richardson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Richardson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 977)

Specialist Ronald Cyr, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company

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A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cyr who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cyr home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 978)

Specialist Trevor Brawn, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Brawn who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Brawn home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 979)

Sergeant Jamie Hanson, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Hanson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Hanson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 980)

Specialist Chad Haskell, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Haskell who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Haskell home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 981)

Captain Marleen Lajoie, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Lajoie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Lajoie home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 982)

Specialist Sean Lawrence, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Lawrence who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Lawrence home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 983)

Private First Class Jashaab Leland, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Leland who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Leland home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 984)

Private First Class Bradley Magee, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Magee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Magee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 985)

Sergeant James Murphy, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Murphy who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Murphy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 986)

Specialist Nathan Tibbetts, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tibbetts who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tibbetts home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 987)

Specialist Joseph Speck, of Augusta, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Speck who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Speck home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 988)

Specialist Leonard Richards, of Vassalboro, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Richards who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Richards home and

in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 989)

Private Second Class Jason Harfoush, of Vassalboro, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private Second Class Harfoush who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private Second Class Harfoush home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 990)

Sergeant First Class Richard Berthiaume, of Vassalboro, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Berthiaume who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Berthiaume home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 991)

Sergeant James Bonnell, of Vassalboro, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Bonnell who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Bonnell home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 992)

Private First Class Joshua Slater, of Hancock, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company A, stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, Company A built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Slater who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Slater home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 993)

Staff Sergeant Tony Ryan Cochran, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Cochran who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Cochran home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 994)

Staff Sergeant Kirk Marshall Donovan, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Donovan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Donovan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 995)

Sergeant Cary Dana Gould, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Gould who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Gould home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 996)

Specialist Kevin Allen Sherman, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Sherman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Sherman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 997)

Specialist Wilfred Gary Guerrette, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Guerrette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Guerrette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 998)

Sergeant Terry Lee Gilmer, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Gilmer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Gilmer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 999)

Specialist Timothy James Fullerton II, of Robbinston, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Fullerton who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Fullerton home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1000)

Sergeant Paul Everett Woodman, of Robbinston, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Woodman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Woodman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1001)

Specialist Samantha Lorraine Burgess, of Rumford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Burgess who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Burgess home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1002)

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Specialist Kevin Robert Sirois, of Rumford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Sirois who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Sirois home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1003)

Sergeant Gino Vincent Giberti, of Saco, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Giberti who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Giberti home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1004)

Staff Sergeant Joseph Manley Kolko, of Portland, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Kolko who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Kolko home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1005)

First Lieutenant Christopher Dominic Elgee, of Portland, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like First Lieutenant Elgee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Lieutenant Elgee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1006)

Specialist Aaron Madison, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Madison who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Madison home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1007)

Lieutenant Adam Cote, of Portland, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Lieutenant Cote who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Lieutenant Cote home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1008)

Specialist Christien Bolduc, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Bolduc who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Bolduc home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1009)

Sergeant Scott Allan Kimball, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Kimball who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Kimball home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1010)

Specialist Timothy Scott McCoy, of Waterboro, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist McCoy who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist McCoy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1011)

Specialist Allen Maurice Vose III, of North Waterboro, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Vose who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Vose home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1012)

Specialist Heath John Bouffard, of North Waterboro, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Bouffard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Bouffard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1013)

Sergeant Raymond Dion, of Waterboro, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Dion who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Dion home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1014)

Specialist Jon Peter Shutt, of Lebanon, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Shutt who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Shutt home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1015)

Specialist John Michael DeRosie, of Springvale, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist DeRosie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist DeRosie home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1016)



Sergeant Ricky Joseph Roger Cote, of Springvale, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Cote who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Cote home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1017)

Specialist Katrina Marie Carter, of Springvale, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Carter who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Carter home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1018)

Sergeant Francis Sylvain LeBlanc, Jr., of Acton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant LeBlanc who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant LeBlanc home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1019)

Sergeant John Stanley Dennett, of North Berwick, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Dennett who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Dennett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1020)

Sergeant Scott Kimball, of North Berwick, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Kimball who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Kimball home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1021)

Specialist Mark Jacobs, of Limerick, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Jacobs who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Jacobs home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1022)

Specialist Zachary Garrison, of Limerick, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Garrison who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Garrison home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1023)

Specialist Matthew Clifton Perkins, of Sanford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Perkins who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Perkins home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1024)

Sergeant Jason Alan Hill, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Hill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Hill home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1025)

Sergeant Tyson Marc Trepanier, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Trepanier who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Trepanier home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1026)

Sergeant Travis Scott Hill, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Hill who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Hill home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1027)

Sergeant Daniel Stanley Dubay, Jr., of Temple, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Dubay who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Dubay home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1028)

Sergeant David Scott Leclair, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the 1136th Transportation Company stationed in Afghanistan. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Leclair who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Leclair home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1029)

Specialist Sarah Louise Scott, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Scott who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Scott home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1030)

Specialist Alton George Carter, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Carter who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Carter home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1031)

Sergeant Karen R. Corbin, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Corbin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Corbin home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1032)

Captain Joshua Edward Doscinski, of Temple, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Doscinski who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Doscinski home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1033)

Specialist Allen William Hamlin, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hamlin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hamlin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1034)

Sergeant Adam James Reed, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Reed who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Reed home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1035)

Sergeant Robert David Masterman, of Phillips, on his dedicated service with E Company 120th Avn (ATS) stationed in Afghanistan. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Masterman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Masterman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1036)

Major Michael J. Backus, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the Joint Force Headquarters, Maine National Guard stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Major Backus who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Major Backus home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1037)

Sergeant Ryan Matthew Daniels, of Bath, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Daniels who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Daniels home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1038)

Sergeant David Charles Lane, of Benton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lane who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1039)

Staff Sergeant Michael James Colson, of Benton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Colson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Colson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1040)

Sergeant Geoffrey Daniel Page, of South China, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Page who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Page home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1041)

Specialist James Henry Kendall IV, of Castine, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Kendall who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Kendall home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1042)

Specialist Christopher Michael Shedyak, of Unity, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Shedyak who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Shedyak home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1043)

Sergeant George Joseph Nott, of Baileyville, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Nott who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Nott home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1044)

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Specialist Leonard Douglas Hanson II, of Baileyville, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hanson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hanson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1045)

Specialist Brian James Moody, of Baileyville, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Moody who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Moody home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1046)

Sergeant Leo Kevin Bouley III, of St. Agatha, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Bouley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Bouley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1047)

Sergeant Chad Michael Morneault, of St. Agatha, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Morneault who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Morneault home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1048)

Staff Sergeant Andrew Neal McQuarrie, of St. Agatha, who has returned home from active duty with the 3-172nd Infantry Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant McQuarrie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant McQuarrie home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1049)

Sergeant William George Capistran, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Capistran who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Capistran home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1050)

Sergeant Matthew Donovan Bixby, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Bixby who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Bixby home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1051)

Sergeant Paul Michael Lawrence, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lawrence who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lawrence home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1052)

Specialist Michael Anthony Runci, Jr., of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Runci who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Runci home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1053)

Sergeant Allen Arthur Weaver, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Weaver who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Weaver home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1054)

Specialist Daniel Lee Burleigh, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Burleigh who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Burleigh home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1055)

Staff Sergeant Ashley Carl Rumney, of Belfast, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Rumney who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Rumney home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1056)

Specialist Jerre Alvin Place, Jr., of Berwick, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Place who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Place home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1057)

Specialist Shawn Nelson McMoarn, Jr., of East Millinocket, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist McMoarn who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist McMoarn home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1058)

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Specialist Bradford Wayne Cirone, of Cherryfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cirone who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Cirone home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1059)

Specialist Corey Eugene Adams, of Bangor, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Adams who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Adams home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1060)

Sergeant Timothy Todd Myers, of Bangor, who has returned home from active duty with the 240th Engineer Group stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Myers who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Myers home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1061)

Specialist David John Hallett, Jr., of Bangor, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hallett who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hallett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1062)

Sergeant First Class Philip Arnold Tompkins, of Fort Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Tompkins who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Tompkins home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1063)

Sergeant Donald Patrick Dufour, of Fort Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Dufour who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Dufour home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1064)

Sergeant Christopher Travis Burnett, of Fort Fairfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Burnett who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Burnett home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1065)

Master Sergeant Timothy Edward Callahan, of Farmington, who has returned home from active duty with the Joint Force Headquarters Maine stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Master Sergeant Callahan who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Master Sergeant Callahan home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1066)

Specialist Daniel Clayton Foss, of Farmington, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Foss who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Foss home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1067)

Corporal Samuel Craig Jackson, of Farmington, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Corporal Jackson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Corporal Jackson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1068)

Sergeant Michael Joseph Hickey, of Farmington, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Hickey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Hickey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1069)

Captain David Otis Sivret, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Sivret who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Sivret home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1070)

Specialist Andrew Scott Moores, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Moores who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Moores home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1071)

Staff Sergeant Andrew Shayne Mains, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Mains who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Mains home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1072)

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Sergeant Kevin Clifford Farquharson, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Farquharson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Farquharson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1073)

Specialist James Allison Barnard, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Barnard who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Barnard home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1074)

Staff Sergeant Corey James McPhee, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant McPhee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant McPhee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1075)

Sergeant Melanie Dawn Leavitt, of Calais, who has returned home from active duty with the 195th Army Band stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Leavitt who have stepped forward in defense of the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Leavitt home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1076)

Sergeant First Class Michael Patrick Mowry, of Biddeford, who has returned home from active duty with the 240th Engineer Group stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Mowry who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Mowry home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1077)

Sergeant Daniel Joseph Landers, of Somerville, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Landers who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Landers home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1078)

Specialist Aron Linwood Peaslee, of Somerville, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Peaslee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Peaslee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1079)

Specialist John Joseph Gunning II, of Washington, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Gunning who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Gunning home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1080)

Specialist Jared Maurice Libby, of Jefferson, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Libby who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Libby home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1081)

Sergeant Kameel Nazar Farag, of Jefferson, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Farag who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Farag home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1082)

Specialist Austin Michael Read, of Searsmont, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Read who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Read home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1083)

Staff Sergeant Benjamin Clough Hazen, of Lincolnville, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Hazen who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Hazen home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1084)

Sergeant Charles Richard Fuller, of Searsmont, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Fuller who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Fuller home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1085)

Sergeant Terry Francis Lee, of Searsmont, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Lee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1086)

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Specialist William Kelly Thorndike, of Hope, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Thorndike who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Thorndike home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1087)

Specialist Christopher Allen Collins, of Appleton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Collins who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Collins home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1088)

First Sergeant Anthony Thomas Prest, of Appleton, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like First Sergeant Prest who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Sergeant Prest home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1089)

Specialist Jason Davis Hall, of Hope, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hall who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hall home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1090)

Sergeant Howard Daniel Parker, of Smithfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Parker who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Parker home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1091)

Sergeant James Arnold Marden II, of Smithfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Marden who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Marden home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1092)

Specialist Shane Allen Tatro, of Bradford, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tatro who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tatro home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1093)

Staff Sergeant David Wayne Smith, of Bradford, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Maintenance Company stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Smith who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Smith home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1094)

Staff Sergeant Scott Fredrick LaCroix, of Waterville, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant LaCroix who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant LaCroix home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1095)

Major Dwaine Edward Drummond, of South China, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Major Drummond who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Major Drummond home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1096)

Captain William Hobert Penrod, Jr., of Falmouth, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Captain Penrod who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Captain Penrod home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1097)

Specialist Richard Lee Joseph King, of South Portland, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Artillery Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist King who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist King home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1098)

Specialist Richard Alexander Shackley, of Falmouth, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Shackley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Shackley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1099)

Sergeant First Class Michael Robert Watson, of Portland, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Watson who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Watson home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1100)

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First Lieutenant Julia Rachel Appt, of Gray, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like First Lieutenant Appt who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Lieutenant Appt home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1101)

Specialist Bradford Eric Dillman, of North Windham, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Dillman who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Dillman home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1102)

Sergeant Balkaran Samaroo, of North Windham, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Samaroo who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Samaroo home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1103)

Sergeant Aaron Jon Olivares, of Orono, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Olivares who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Olivares home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1104)

Specialist Jamie Allan Alley, of Jonesport, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Alley who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Alley home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1105)

Sergeant First Class Kevin Philip Barnes, of Presque Isle, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Barnes who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Barnes home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1106)

Specialist Rhonda Lee Richards, of Gardiner, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Richards who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Richards home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1107)

Sergeant First Class George Albert Yanez, of Gardiner, who has returned home from active duty with the Joint Force Headquarters Maine stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Yanez who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Yanez home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1108)

Staff Sergeant Timothy Dennis Tarrío, of Gardiner, who has returned home from active duty with the 3-172nd Infantry stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Tarrío who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Tarrío home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1109)

Specialist Benjamin Ryan Abbott, of Lewiston, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Abbott who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Abbott home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1110)

Specialist Larry Lambert Bowen, Jr., of Perry, who has returned home from active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Bowen who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Bowen home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1111)

Lieutenant Colonel John James Jansen, of Mount Vernon, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Lieutenant Colonel Jansen who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Lieutenant Colonel Jansen home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1112)

Chief Warrant Officer Max Richard McLaughlin, of Manchester, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Chief Warrant Officer McLaughlin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Chief Warrant Officer McLaughlin home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1113)

Private First Class Cory James Kwasniak, of Manchester, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Kwasniak who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Kwasniak home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1114)

Sergeant Dennis Eugene Sprague, of Morrill, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Sprague who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Sprague home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1115)

Sergeant First Class Terry Childs Sprague, of Morrill, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Sprague who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Sprague home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1116)

Sergeant First Class Carl William Sticht, of Morrill, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Sticht who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Sticht home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1117)

Sergeant William Alfred Wade, of Lewiston, who has returned home from active duty with the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Wade who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Wade home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1118)

Specialist Jason Scott Duval, of Livermore Falls, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Duval who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Duval home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1119)

Specialist Keith Allen Tibbetts, of Livermore Falls, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tibbetts who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tibbetts home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1120)

Specialist Robert Vincent Salvato, Jr., of Livermore Falls, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Salvato who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Salvato home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1121)

Sergeant Michael John Collins, of Livermore Falls, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Collins who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Collins home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1122)

Sergeant Peter James Fournier, of Old Orchard Beach, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Fournier who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Fournier home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1123)

Private First Class Andrew Timothy Smith, of Old Orchard Beach, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Smith who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Smith home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1124)

Specialist David Walter Tracy, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Tracy who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Tracy home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1125)

Private First Class Daniel Alfred Phillips, of Embden, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Phillips who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Phillips home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1126)

Specialist Dennis Edward Glynn, of Wellington, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Glynn who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Glynn home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1127)

Specialist Jamie William Smyth, of Auburn, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Smyth who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Smyth home and in extending our



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appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1128)

Specialist Michael Hussey, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Hussey who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Hussey home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1129)

Private First Class Steven Dee, Jr., of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Dee who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Dee home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1130)

Private First Class Evan Vreeland, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Private First Class Vreeland who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Private First Class Vreeland home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1131)

Specialist John Sawyer, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Sawyer who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Sawyer home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1132)

Specialist Kevin Sukeforth, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Sukeforth who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Sukeforth home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1133)

Sergeant Mark Ray, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Ray who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Ray home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1134)

Staff Sergeant Patrick Labrie, of New Gloucester, who has returned from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Labrie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Labrie home

and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1135)

Sergeant Kirby Touchette, of Otisfield, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Touchette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Touchette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1136)

Sergeant Paul Laird, of Oxford, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transportation Company stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Laird who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Laird home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1137)

Specialist Mark Douglas Lane, of Durham, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Lane who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Lane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1138)

Master Sergeant Ronald R. Doucette, of New Gloucester, who has returned home from active duty with the 167th Corps Support Group in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Master Sergeant Doucette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Master Sergeant Doucette home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1139)

Staff Sergeant Jason Prosser, of Durham, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Staff Sergeant Prosser who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Staff Sergeant Prosser home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1140)

the returning members of the 152nd Field Artillery Battalion, of Bangor. The 152nd served as detainee prison guards at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort for many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend the members of the 152nd for their exemplary performance. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming them home and in extending our appreciation to them for their commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1141)

First Lieutenant Zebulan V. Murray, of Augusta, who has returned home after 13 months of active duty with the 1-152nd Field Artillery Forward Division stationed in Iraq. First Lieutenant Murray served as a detainee prison guard at the Abu Ghraib prison, performed other security missions and provided military escort on many convoys in the Baghdad area. We commend First Lieutenant Murray for his exemplary performance and bravery. We join the citizens throughout the State in welcoming First Lieutenant Murray home and in extending our appreciation

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to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1142)

Sylvia Harlow, of Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 26 years as Director of Religious Education at St. Joseph's Parish. Mrs. Harlow has also served on the Parish Council and earned the respect and affection of all who have known her. She has been married to Representative Charles Harlow for 41 years, and they are the proud parents of 2 daughters, Denise and Kristen. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the parish, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1143)

Maine Public Radio, which won the following awards at the Annual Maine Associated Press Broadcasters Association contest: Sports Feature, Public Affairs, Enterprise, Medical Reporting and Continuous Coverage; (HLS 1144)

Michelle Yang, of Glenburn, who has been chosen as a 2005 alternate to the American Legion Auxiliary Dirigo Girls State. This is a program designed to provide an opportunity to participate in a program that educates young women to learn more about local, county and state government. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1145)

Kyle J. Lad, of Glenburn, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of John Baptist Memorial High School. He is a National Merit Scholar and member of the National Honor Society and has earned numerous John Baptist academic awards for outstanding achievement. He has lettered in soccer, tennis, indoor track, track and field and math. He will attend Dartmouth College to study liberal arts. We extend our congratulations to Kyle on his accomplishments; (HLS 1146)

Drew Campbell, of Scarborough, who has been named one of the Top Three Drivers of the 2004-2005 season by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Drew on this accomplishment; (HLS 1147)

Richard Bartlett, of Windsor, who has been named one of the Top Leading Trainers of 2004-2005 by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Richard on this achievement; (HLS 1148)

Heath Campbell, of Bangor, who has been named one of the Top Three Drivers of the 2004-2005 season by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Heath on this achievement; (HLS 1149)

Valerie Grondin, of Bangor, who has been named one of the Top Leading Trainers of 2004-2005 by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Valerie on this achievement; (HLS 1150)

Robert Marston, of Cumberland, who has been named one of the Top Leading Trainers of 2004-2005 by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Robert on this achievement; (HLS 1151)

Donald J. Richards, of Yarmouth, who has been nominated to the United States Trotting Association Hall of Fame by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Donald on this achievement; (HLS 1152)

Orrin Phipps, of Yarmouth, who, at the age of 82, has been named the Oldest Owner/Trainer/Driver in the United States by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1153)

Wally Watson, of Cumberland, who has been named one of the Top Leading Trainers and Drivers of 2004-2005 by the Maine Harness Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (HLS 1154)

Jason Bartlett, of Windsor, who has been named the Top Driver of the 2004-2005 season by the Maine Harness

Horseman's Association. We extend our congratulations to Jason on this achievement; (HLS 1155)

Edward Francis Connolly, a longtime Westbrook educator and school administrator. Mr. Connolly dedicated his life to educating and inspiring young people. He began his career in Kittery in 1955 and taught in Scarborough schools from 1957 to 1963. For the next 35 years, he taught in Westbrook schools, starting as principal at Prides Corner School. During his time with the Westbrook school system, he served as the Director of Elementary Education, Director of Curriculum K-8 and Superintendent of Schools from 1983 to 1995. Throughout his educational career, he remained steadfast in his belief that all children deserve the best education possible. He developed the mission statement for Westbrook Schools, "The best education for all for life." He was one of the longest tenured superintendents in Maine. In 1990, Mr. Connolly was the recipient of the Kennedy Center Award for Arts and Humanities. We acknowledge the dedicated service to the youth of his communities and to his profession. He will be greatly missed by his family, his friends, his colleagues and his students; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1156)

Doctor John F. Andrews, of Boothbay Harbor, who has been chosen as the 2005 Windjammer Days' Street Parade Grand Marshal. Doctor Andrews has been a resident of Boothbay Harbor since 1954 and a physician there for 42 years. He delivered almost 1,000 babies at St. Andrews Hospital in Boothbay Harbor and called that the most satisfying part of his practice. He was also a pilot who owned his first plane at age 68 and still holds his pilot's license. We extend our congratulations to this well-known and well-loved Boothbay Harbor octogenarian; (HLS 1157)

the following members of the Odyssey of the Mind Team of Massabesic High School: Stephen Morrill, Morgan Roberts, Matthew Phinney, Audrey Allen, Amanda Michaud, Michael Peters, Ryan Peters and coaches John and Eleanor Roberts. This team, one of 5 from Massabesic High School, took home one of 19 first-place trophies awarded at the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals Competition in Boulder, Colorado. More than 770 teams from all over the world participated in the competition held at the University of Colorado. The winning Massabesic High School team is the first team to be World Champions in the district. We extend our congratulations to the team on this terrific accomplishment; (HLS 1158)

Acting Captain Perry B. Antone, Sr., of Hampden, on his graduation from the FBI National Academy. Captain Antone works for the Brewer Police Department. He was one of a select few to attend the FBI Academy. We extend our congratulations to Captain Antone on this accomplishment; (HLS 1159)

Specialist Jessica Rachel Caouette, of Winslow, who has returned home from active duty with the 701st Maintenance Support team stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Caouette who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Caouette home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1160)

Specialist Ryan Philip Cunningham, of Topsham, who served 2 tours of duty in Iraq. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Cunningham who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy the privileges of liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States Military; (HLS 1161)

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the special occasion of the rededication of the Rockland Civil War Monument after its restoration and relocation to Chapman Park, at the corner of Park Street and Main Street. The original monument was dedicated in 1912 to honor Civil War veterans of Rockland, which had 1,048 men join the United States Army and Navy out of a total population of 7,300. On June 17, 1861, the 4th Maine Infantry left its camp at Tillson's Hill to begin its trek to fight at many of the war's battlegrounds, including; Chancellorsville, Fair Oaks, Malvern Hills, Second Bull Run, Chantilly, Fredericksburg and Gettysburg. Rockland was home to 4 generals of the war: Major General Hiram Berry, who was killed at Chancellorsville; Brigadier General Davis Tillson; Brigadier General Adelbert Ames; and Brevet Brigadier General Jonathon P. Cilley. We join the good citizens of Rockland in celebrating their brave Civil War soldiers and we extend our congratulations to the City of Rockland on the rededication of this important monument; (HLS 1162)

Martha T. Harris, of Gorham, who is the recipient of the 2005 Business Person of the Year Award sponsored by the Gorham Business & Civic Exchange. Ms. Harris is the owner of Natural Country Photography and a lifelong resident of Gorham. She has operated her photography business for 20 years. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Harris on her receiving this award and our wishes for her continued success; (HLS 1163)

Cody Desjardins, of Madawaska, who has earned the distinction of being first in his class of the 2005 graduating class of Madawaska High School. He also received top honors in English, mathematics and science. Cody was a member of the National Honor Society and a delegate to Boys' State. He was a member of the school band, pep band and math team. He also participated in soccer and basketball. He will be attending Bowdoin College, majoring in biochemistry. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his accomplishments; (HLS 1164)

Elaine Clark, of Cumberland, who has been selected to receive this year's "Preservation Champion" Statewide Historic Preservation Honor Award. Ms. Clark was awarded this honor for her exemplary leadership in several historic preservation projects. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Clark for the lasting contributions she has made to preserve and protect Maine's irreplaceable heritage and congratulate her on receiving this recognition; (HLS 1165)

Officer Ray A. Goodspeed, of Levant, a member of the Lincoln Police Department, who has graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Officer Goodspeed; (HLS 1166)

the following members of the Mountain Valley High School Football Team, winners of their first State Class B Championship; Dustin Farnum, Zach Fergola, Pat Knapp, Tristan LaPointe, Chris Lever, Ben Madigan, Shawn Marr, Chris Smith, Korey Staries, Jeremy Sterling, Aaron Arsenault, Brendan Bradley, Eric Collins, Jeffrey Dow, Travis Fergola, Jason Jonitis, Mike Pelletier, Joel Richards, David Smith, Joey Worthley, Thaddeus Bennett, Zach Bradley, Alex Bronish, Cory DeRoehn, Kyle Dow, Matt Glover, Cody Grasruck, Zachary Grassette, John Houghton, Stephen Lizotte, Matt Lyons, Andrew Morton, John Perry, Devin Roberts, Andy Shorey, Josh Sicotte, Chris Taylor, Mike Thurston, Michael Turner, Theodore Aubut, Keith Brennick, Joseph Bruns, Torrey Burgess, Arthur Clifford, Ryan Cormier, Aaron Cote, Christopher Henderson, Anthony Jordan, Jacob Ledesma, Dean McCrillis, Ben Rosenberg, Derek Sicotte, Adam Stearns, Tyler White, Nathan Woods; Head Coach James Aylward; Assistants Ryan Casey, Steve Lapointe and Rick White and Manager Christopher Brennick; (HLS 1167)

the life of Vaughan Gagne, of East Dixfield. Mr. Gagne was on the East Dixfield Fire Department for 32 years, he was a coach for Little League baseball and soccer at Kineowatha and helped with the Farmington Fair. He worked for International Paper for 35 years. The Town of Wilton has dedicated the 2005 Town Report to Mr. Gagne for his many years of dedicated service to the Town of East Dixfield and the surrounding communities; (HLS 1168)

Malcolm "Mac" Wilder Burdin, of Strong and Lakeland, Florida, who will be remembered for his dedication to his community and to firefighter service in Franklin County. Mr. Burdin joined the United States Marine Corps in 1942. He is an honoree of the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. He was a member of the Strong Fire Department and was elected chief in 1970. The present fire station is named in his honor, The Malcolm W. Burdin Building. He was a member of the Maine Fire Chiefs Association, member and past president of the Franklin County Firemen's Association, life member and past commander of Johnson-Cox Post 78 American Legion and a member of Davis and Blue Mountain Lodge of Masons. He was a certified fire and arson investigator for Franklin County and was involved in incorporating the 911 system for Strong. He was also active in many other civic and community organizations. He was always willing to help and went more than the extra mile. He will be missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1169)

Alicia L. Arsenault, of Brewer. Mrs. Arsenault came from a large family and was originally from Bangor. She will be greatly missed by her husband of 47 years, Ronald, and her loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1170)

Wayne W. Whitney, of Kenduskeag. Mr. Whitney worked for 30 years with the Farmers Home Administration of the United States Department of Agriculture in Rockland, Belfast, Bangor and Newport. He retired in 1982 as assistant district supervisor in Newport. After his retirement he was a real estate broker with the McPhail Agency in Lincoln. He operated tree farms in Kenduskeag and Bradford and was a member of the Small Woodlot Association of Maine. Mr. Whitney was active in his community and served on many boards for the town of Kenduskeag. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 57 years, Shirley, his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1171)

Leroy D. Grondin, of Levant and formerly a resident of Bangor. Mr. Grondin was a longtime employee of the *Bangor Daily News* and was a National Guard member in his early years. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 48 years, Muriel, and his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1172)

Ryan Lad, Sean Seekins, Miles Gagnon, Liz Sturm, Christina Clewley and Mary Mireles, of the Glenburn School in Glenburn, who were selected to go to the Middle School District V Honors Festival. We extend our congratulations to these students for their accomplishments; (HLS 1173)

Bernice "Bunny" Jarvis, of Millinocket, a longtime pioneer within the credit union system, on her being named Honorary Board Member of Eastmill Federal Credit Union. Ms. Jarvis started work as a teller in 1957 and became manager of the credit union in 1974. She retired in 1989, but continued to serve on the Board of Directors from 1989 to 2005. In 1993, she received the Alexander Ferguson Award, which recognizes outstanding credit union volunteers. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1174)

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Borrellos, of Medway, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, April 9, 2005. They have 6 children, 11 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. We

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extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Borrellos on this special occasion; (HLS 1175)

Nickolas Gagnon, of Van Buren, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 296, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1176)

Darren Mastropaolo, of Falmouth, a 2004 graduate of Falmouth High School and winner of numerous sports awards, such as Gatorade State Player of the Year as senior co-captain and being named to Maine's McDonald All-Star Team. He now attends Bucknell University and plays on that school's team, which recently had a victory over Kansas, a top-rated team in the NCAA Tournament. We congratulate Darren on his achievements and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 1177)

the NASB Task Force, Save Our Shipyard and Grow DFAS groups, as well as their host communities, for their members' tireless efforts to lobby against placing Maine bases on the final list of military installations recommended for closure or realignment. The volunteers of these groups have given great amounts of their time and personal resources to serve the State of Maine and our Nation by advocating for these important bases. Members of the group have been instrumental in meeting with Department of Defense officials, organizing community rallies, raising money and spearheading letter writing campaigns to keep the Maine bases fully operational. The communities that are home to these bases have responded with great energy and have forcefully voiced their support for the bases. We extend our encouragement and support as they face the work ahead and we offer our gratitude for all they have done; (HLS 1178)

Ann Holt, of Greenwood, upon her retirement from Maine School Administrative District #44. Ms. Holt worked with the District for 35 years, serving as Director of Special Services for 17 years. Additionally, she was named Maine's Special Education Director of the Year. We acknowledge her many years of dedicated service to the students of her district and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1179)

Carmen Footer, of Freeport, for her exemplary acts of patriotism and dedication and support of our service men and women around the globe, which include welcoming home our troops, preserving the memory of those who perished on September 11, 2001 and raising community awareness and spirit. Since September 11, 2001, she has stood on Main Street in Freeport as one of the Freeport Flag Ladies. On every Tuesday morning, on the 11th of each month and on all patriotic holidays, she stands and waves a flag to honor the sacrifices made by the members of the Armed Forces and their families. We acknowledge her devotion to our State and Nation and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1180)

Elaine Greene, of Freeport, for her exemplary acts of patriotism and dedication and support of our service men and women around the globe, which include welcoming home our troops, preserving the memory of those who perished on September 11, 2001 and raising community awareness and spirit. Since September 11, 2001, she has stood on Main Street in Freeport as one of the Freeport Flag Ladies. On every Tuesday morning, on the 11th of each month and on all patriotic holidays, she stands and waves a flag to honor the sacrifices made by the members of the Armed Forces and their families. We acknowledge her devotion to our State and Nation and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1181)

JoAnn Miller, of Freeport, for her exemplary acts of patriotism and dedication and support of our service men and women around the globe, which include welcoming home our troops, preserving the memory of those who perished on September 11, 2001 and raising community awareness and spirit. Since September 11, 2001, she has stood on Main Street in Freeport as one of the Freeport Flag Ladies. On every Tuesday morning, on the 11th of each month and on all patriotic holidays, she stands and waves a flag to honor the sacrifices made by the members of the Armed Forces and their families. We acknowledge her devotion to our State and Nation and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1182)

Kalee Page, of Kenduskeag, a student at Central Middle School in Corinth, who has been named the winner of a United States National Award in mathematics by the United States Achievement Academy. We send our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1183)

the Honorable Edward Ainsworth, of Yarmouth, former member of the Maine House of Representatives from 1983 to 1984. He was dedicated to his community, his country and his church. A veteran of the United States Army, he was a resident of Yarmouth for 55 years and was a member of the American Legion Post and Casco Lodge of Masons for more than 50 years, as well as a member of the Yarmouth Fire Department. He was a dedicated employee at Guy Gannett Newspapers for 40 years and was a respected member of numerous professional organizations, and served terms as President of the Greater Portland Labor Council and Vice-president of Maine AFL-CIO. He organized the annual Memorial Day parade in Yarmouth from 1972 to 2004 and he was the 1993 recipient of the Latchstring Award in Yarmouth, which honored his community service. Mr. Ainsworth was the Welterweight Boxing Champion of Maine in 1939 and he was an accomplished baseball pitcher. He was inducted in 1985 into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame for his extensive contributions as player, coach and umpire over the years. Mr. Ainsworth served the Episcopal church as a chalice bearer, treasurer, lay reader and Member of the Vestry. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, neighbors and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1184)

Joshua Saunders, of Fairfield, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Lawrence High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievement; (HLS 1185)

Emma James, of Avon, who is a recipient of the American Legion School Award Medal. The award represents the educational symbolism of the School Award Medal program and is associated with the American Legion and its purposes. The award is given to a graduating student based on courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service. Emma is also a recipient of the Secretary of State's 2005 8th Grade Citizenship Award. We extend our congratulations to Emma on her receiving these awards; (HLS 1186)

Ethan Eisenhour, of Madrid, who is a recipient of the American Legion School Award Medal. The award represents the educational symbolism of the School Award Medal program and is associated with the American Legion and its purposes. The award is given to a graduating student based on courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service. We extend our congratulations to Ethan on his receiving this award; (HLS 1187)

Agnes H. Falt, of Woolwich, at the age of 104. Mrs. Falt was a longtime resident of Northeast Harbor, where she and her husband Gordon ran Hillcrest Market until they retired in 1955. In 1960, they bought Holmes Store, a clothing business, which they

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ran for 10 years. Mr. Falt died in 1981. She moved to Woolwich 10 years ago to be with her son Gordon. She is survived by 3 grandsons, 5 great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews and her sister Clare, who is 100 years of age. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1188)

Kingsley Strout, of Gorham, a resident of Gorham House, who is the recipient of the Remember Me Award from the Maine Hospital Association. Mr. Strout is a retired Methodist pastor and served in many churches in Maine over the years. He has been a devoted husband to his loving wife of 62 years, Margaret, and a loving father to his children Larry and Kathy. Mr. Strout continues to give support and friendship to his friends and family. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1189)

the following members of Lake Region High School located in Naples who have earned the distinction with their exemplary academic performance and dedication to their studies of being named Lake Region's Top Ten Percent of the 2005 graduating class: Stephanie Athanosios, Adam Davis, Sarah Fowler, Lauren Gillespie, Allison Harris, Chelsey Heath, Bailey Knowlton, Ashley Loring, Leanna Martin, Casey McClean, Bridget McMahon, Stephanie Palmer, Scott Perreault and Melissa Rivet. We extend our congratulations to them on this outstanding achievement; (HLS 1190)

Rance Knowles, of Manchester, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Knowles served for 3 years in the United States Army. He worked in many capacities for the Town of Manchester. He was fire chief, selectman, chair of the Board of Selectmen and code enforcement officer. He was a lifetime member of the Maine State Federation of the Firefighters and a member of the Maine Fire Chiefs Association, the State of Maine Board of Underground Tank Installers, Manchester Lions Club, Post 202 of the AMVETS, Post 2 American Legion and a cofounder of the Manchester Festival. He enjoyed his gardens, cooking with his grandchildren and spending time with his family. He will be missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1191)

James Alfred Louder, of Corinna, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years as a teacher. Mr. Louder taught at the Vickery School and the Warsaw Middle School, both in Pittsfield. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Louder for his commitment to the youth of the State and wish him well in his retirement; (HLS 1192)

the Robert W. Traip Academy, in Kittery, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. The school was founded in 1905 and its construction was funded from the estate of the late Robert W. Traip, who died in 1864. Mr. Traip was a direct descendent of one of Kittery's original settlers dating back to the 1600s. After the death of his last heir in 1897, an endowment was established to start an academy. The school grew in size, especially during World War II, when the town grew due to work at the Navy Yard. The academy property was sold to the Town of Kittery in 1967. Major renovations and construction began in 1989. We acknowledge the long and distinguished history of the school and its contributions to education in the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations to the academy on its centennial celebration and we send our best wishes for future success; (HLS 1193)

Androscoggin County Head Start and Child Care on the occasion of its 40th anniversary. Androscoggin Head Start and Child Care promotes the positive growth of children, families and staff by increasing opportunities for learning and supporting personal goal development. It provides child care services to more than 400 children at 13 locations throughout Androscoggin County. We extend our appreciation and congratulations to

Androscoggin County Head Start and Child Care and its staff for their dedicated commitment to the families of Androscoggin County; (HLS 1194)

Casey Maynard, of Perham, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Washburn High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Casey for this outstanding achievement; (HLS 1195)

Ashley Espling, of Perham, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Washburn High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ashley on this achievement; (HLS 1196)

Robert J. "Bob" Williams, of Manchester, a man loved, respected and admired by his family, friends and coworkers, yet a name unknown by thousands who have benefited from his work. Mr. Williams never sought the limelight and never performed his duties for the glory or recognition. His vocation was his avocation. He was a quiet man, mostly content to silently go about his duties. He was the Federal Air Coordinator for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and led the department's acquisition of conservation lands and boat access sites throughout the State for more than 17 years. His dedication to protecting the public's rights and interests in those special waters and places never rested or wavered. He was tireless in his efforts to assist in the purchase of thousands of acres of land for permanent wildlife conservation. He loved his work and serving Maine's people and leaves a legacy of protection and access to our woods and waters for generations to enjoy. He will be dearly missed by his loving family, coworkers and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1197)

Joyce and Harvey Wood, of Fairfield, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them as they celebrate their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1198)

the following students, who have earned the distinction through their exemplary academic performance of being named as the Top Five Percent of the 2005 graduating class at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School in South Paris: Sarah N. Ladner, Paul E. Apollo, Frederick Schwaner IV, Jennifer L. Dowling, Abigail R. Rogers, Charles K. Howes, Annmarie Foster, Aurora L. Lenz-Watson, Jacob W. Burns, James D. Knightly, Sasha L. Campbell, Hannah S. Grenier and Randi L. Arsenault. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievement; (HLS 1199)

the following students, who have earned the distinction through their exemplary academic performance of being named the Top Ten students in the 2005 graduating class of Oak Hill High School in Wales: Stacy Bartos, Kristin Waterman, Leesa Black, John Daggett, Dana Bonin, Christopher Curran, Ashley Malinowski, Carmen Fisher, Troy Janelle and Christina Demers. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievement; (HLS 1200)

Tom Reynolds, of Farmington, for his many years of dedication to the University of Maine at Farmington and to its Ski Industries Certificate Program, one of the first and only programs of its kind in the nation, which celebrates its 25th anniversary this year. The program combines a bachelor's degree with one of 3 certificate concentrations: Ski Business Management, Professional Ski Coaching and Ski Teaching and Adaptive Ski Teaching. Mr. Reynolds is the founder and was the director of this program before his retirement from the university 6 years ago. He has been a tireless advocate for the ski industry in Maine, for the University of Maine at Farmington and for the professional development of young people. We join the university and ski communities in acknowledging Mr. Reynolds'

invaluable contributions and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his program; (HLS 1201)

Jessica Englehart, of Benton, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Erskine Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her achievement; (HLS 1202)

Heather Moody, of Glenburn, 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 1203)

Krista Bennatti-Roberts, of Freeport, who is the recipient of the Secretary of State's Eighth Grade Citizenship Award. This award is given to honor outstanding eighth-grade students for their civic awareness, scholastic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Krista on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1204)

Betty Robinson, of Auburn, associate professor of leadership and organizational studies at the University of Southern Maine/Lewiston-Auburn, who has been awarded the Donald Harward Faculty Award for Service-Learning Excellence. This award is presented through the Maine Campus Compact to faculty members who have demonstrated a significant commitment to practicing and promoting service-learning. Professor Robinson was cited for her work to increase opportunities for active student learning through the interweaving of classroom learning with hands-on service experience in order for students to gain a sense of their own efficacy in the world. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1205)

Megan Beals, of Houlton, who was chosen as Miss Maine 2005 at the 69th Miss Maine Scholarship Pageant. She competed in the categories of talent, interview, evening gown and swimsuit. The talent category of her competition featured a classical jazz vocal performance and her service platform is Mentoring to Empower Tomorrow's Leaders. Ms. Beals also received the Miss Maine Pageant 2005 Talent Award. She will go on to compete for the title of Miss America. The Miss America Organization is one of the world's largest providers of scholarship assistance for young women, and helps them to achieve personal and professional goals while providing a forum in which to demonstrate their talents. Ms. Beals is the daughter of Terry and Debbie Beals and plans to attend the University of Maine at Presque Isle. We extend our congratulations to her on her winning this title and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1206)

Margaret Merrill, of Dayton, who has been selected as an Albert Einstein Fellow for 2005-2006. Mrs. Merrill teaches the 3rd and 4th grades at the Plummer-Motz Elementary School in Falmouth, where she weaves science education extensively into the daily curriculum. As one of only 14 educators chosen to participate in the Albert Einstein Fellowship Program, she will be assigned to a United States Senator's office in Washington, D.C. for 10 months to help shape education policy and provide policy makers with practical insights and "real world" perspectives. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Merrill for her commitment to education and send her best wishes for her important work in our nation's capital; (HLS 1207)

Dwight L. Rideout, of Holden, Senior Associate Dean of Students at the University of Maine, for his 40 years of dedicated and honorable service to the University of Maine as alumnus, administrator and professor. Dean Rideout has served on innumerable university, statewide and regional committees related to student affairs and associated issues and is a frequent

conference presenter on subjects such as goal setting, time management, outdoor recreation and student consumerism. He has contributed to many areas of student life at the university, including diversity, religious affairs, campus planning, crisis management, career counseling, traffic and safety and student housing. Dean Rideout has been the recipient of many distinguished honors, including the Black Bear Award for Outstanding Service from the University of Maine Alumni Association. He served as the President of the Professional Employees' Advisory Committee. He has also been a source of leadership and support for many students through difficult times, from the Vietnam War to September 11, 2001. His passion for high-quality student support services has benefited the university over the years. The quality of his work is greatly appreciated and will not be forgotten. We acknowledge his valuable contributions to the university system and to the State of Maine and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1208)

the following members of the Mt. Ararat High School Girls Tennis Team, of Topsham, who won their 2nd straight Class A State Championship: Marcia Gilbride, Jenn Charette, Katie Marstaller, Christie Rogers, Chelsea Annese, Ellen London, Amy Blosom, Alison Connors, Jennifer Crosby, Fiona deBoer, Margaret Stone, Brook Vail and Coach Sheila Bohlin. We extend our congratulations to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 1209)

the Town of Baldwin and the Brown Memorial Library, in honor of the grand opening of the new wing that contains the William C. Pierce Community Room and the Flint Historical Room. The late Mr. Pierce was a descendant of one of the founding citizens of Baldwin and was a benefactor and contributor to the library and to the community. The Flint family also goes back to the original founders of the town. We send our congratulations to the good citizens of Baldwin on this occasion; (HLS 1210)

Janelle Vigue, of Hartland, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Nokomis Regional High School. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1211)

Sarah Bradstreet, of Newport, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Nokomis Regional High School. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement; (HLS 1212)

Morgan Mitchell, of Southport, a Boothbay Region Elementary School 7th-grade student, who is the recipient of the first 20 Below 20 Award, which is sponsored by Maine Today.com and the *Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram*. The award honors outstanding Maine youths under the age of 20 for special achievements and community involvement. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Morgan on her receiving this award; (HLS 1213)

David LaGraffe, of South Portland, on the occasion of his retirement from teaching after 24 years with the Portland School System. Mr. LaGraffe has taught for 17 years at Hall School in the Many Rivers Program and 7 years in the Gifted and Talented Program (Project Exploration). With degrees in English, philosophy and education, he has taught from pre-school to the college level. He helped design and implement the Portland-Falmouth Teacher's Academy. He is a talented professional actor with extensive stage and some television experience and he leads teacher workshops in the performing arts. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession and to the children of his community and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1214)

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Longfellow Elementary School in Portland, which is the recipient of the 2005 Maine Creative Ticket School of Excellence Award from the Maine Alliance for Arts Education and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. In addition, the school recently had 2 Odyssey of the Mind teams qualify for world competition. The level of excellence at this school is attributed to the continued commitment from parents, educators and the school community. We extend our congratulations to the staff, students and parents at Longfellow Elementary School on these recent achievements; (HLS 1215)

Sergeant Ricky McKenzie, of Newport, who has returned home after 15 months of active duty with the 133rd Engineer Combat Battalion, Company C stationed in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd Company C built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant McKenzie who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant McKenzie home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1216)

Edgar E. Carr, Sr., of Millinocket, a longtime employee of Bangor & Aroostook Railroad. Mr. Carr worked for Maine Forestry Service during World War II and later worked as a railroad engineer. He retired in 1974 after 48 years with the railroad. He was a 75-year member of Nollesemic Lodge No. 205 AF & AM, a member of the Scottish Rite for more than 50 years and a member of Anah Temple Shrine. He will be sadly missed by his family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1217)

Maine Public Broadcasting Network, with offices in Bangor, Lewiston and Portland, on being named Radio Station of the Year for the second consecutive year by the Maine Associated Press Broadcasters. This recognition is determined by an independent panel of journalists from outside the state and it exemplifies the commitment and dedication of the network to provide a unique and valued public service to the citizens of Maine. We extend our congratulations to all members of MPBN Radio who have helped achieve this honor; (HLS 1218)

Gail C. Bentz, of Lewiston, who was very involved in community and veterans' affairs and in doing volunteer work for charities. She was a member of the Lewiston Lodge of Elks, where she held several elected positions, and was also a member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 9150, which she founded and for which she served as charter president for the first 2 years. Mrs. Bentz was also a member of American Legion Post 158 Ladies Auxiliary as well as the Franco American Veterans' Ladies Auxiliary. She was an advocate for Maine's Ombudsman Program for several years. We acknowledge her dedicated service to her community. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1219)

Sergeant Annie Fitzpatrick, of Winterport, for her military service in Iraq. Sergeant Fitzpatrick served with the 323rd Army Reserve Maintenance Division and has now arrived home after her deployment in Iraq. The 323rd Maintenance Division is a mobile team supporting convoys in Iraq, in the area of Tikrit, in addition to uparmoring new vehicles for other units. We are blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Fitzpatrick who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We extend our sincere thank you to Sergeant Fitzpatrick for keeping America safe and secure; (HLS 1220)

the Robert Irving Family, of Caribou, on its being named the 2005 Farm Family of the Year. The Irving family began its

farming venture in the late 1800s. More recently, Robert and his brother, Richard, farmed potatoes, raised dairy cattle and raised and trained standardbred racehorses at their father's farm in Washburn. Robert and his father, Kenneth, worked the land the family referred to as the "home farm" until 1986. Along with his 3 sons, Scott, Steve and Jeff, Robert now farms about 1,400 acres in the Washburn-Caribou area, including 700 acres of potatoes and 500 acres of barley. In 1998 Irving Farms was named Conservation Farm of the Year by the Central Aroostook Soil and Water Conservation District. Robert has been an active participant in the farming industry, including serving on the National Potato Board, with 3 years on its executive committee. We congratulate Robert, his wife of 47 years, Mavis, his sons and all of the Irving family on their receiving this honor; (HLS 1221)

Theresa Gregoire Lapointe, of Augusta, on the special occasion of her 75th Birthday, June 11, 2005. She is married to Normand Lapointe, is the mother of 5 children and has 8 grandchildren and 2 great-granddaughters. Mrs. Lapointe was a part owner of Lapointe Lumber and is part owner of Lapointe-St. Onge Development. She loves to shop and garden and is proud of her summer home on the lake. We join her family in extending our best wishes to her on this celebration of her life; (HLS 1222)

County Box and Pallet, of Presque Isle, and its employees, who were given a safety award for having completed 1,100 days, or 4 years, without any work-related injuries. The Work Opportunity Center oversees the nonprofit County Box and Pallet and both programs are under the umbrella of the Central Aroostook Association for Retarded Citizens. The pallet industry is rated one of the most dangerous and we congratulate the employees of County Box and Pallet for maintaining such high safety standards and achieving this remarkable record. We send them our best wishes; (HLS 1223)

June 18, 2005 as William Hutchings Day in honor of the Penobscot settler who fought for independence during the Revolutionary War. He will be honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the townspeople of Penobscot with a new monument on his grave. His father's family lived at Haney's Point and left the town for Newcastle after the British landed in 1779. William enlisted to serve in 1780 at the age of 15 and was a private in a Massachusetts regiment. After the war, he and his family returned to Penobscot to find the family's farm had been destroyed. With true pioneer spirit, the family rebuilt it. William and his wife Mercy had 16 children, all born in Penobscot. He died in 1866, at the age of 101. At the time of his death, he was the last Revolutionary War soldier in New England. We salute him on this day, June 18th, as someone who exemplifies the best of our State and our Nation. His own spirit remains alive and well, transmitted by generations of men and women who continue to step forward to fight for the security of this Nation, so that we all might enjoy liberty and freedom; (HLS 1224)

Meredith Burgess, of Portland, president of Burgess Advertising, who was honored as one of Maine's 100 Volunteers of the Year at the 17th Annual Governor's Service Awards. Ms. Burgess serves on the New England Board of Directors and the National Government Affairs Committee of the American Association of Advertising Agencies. She is a past president of the Greater Portland Advertising Club, she serves as an emeritus board member of the Ronald McDonald House in Bangor and is a past president and board member of the Ronald McDonald House of Portland. She has served on the University of Maine Alumni Association Board and is a past president of the Cumberland County Alumni Chapter. In 2002, she was appointed to the University of Maine board of visitors and is currently serving as vice chair. She is active in genealogy and

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has served on the board of the Maine Historical Society. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her as she receives this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1225)

Cadet 1st Lieutenant Maureen Klink, of Levant, a member of the Hermon Hawks Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at Hermon High School, who is the recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution JROTC Award. We send our congratulations to her on her receiving this award and our best wishes on her future career plans; (HLS 1226)

Alanna Ashely Phillips-Crocker, of Westbrook, a senior and honor student at Westbrook High School. Ms. Phillips-Crocker was enrolled to attend the University of New Hampshire to major in psychology. She was known for her generous nature, her sense of humor and her kindness to all. She enjoyed music, writing, sewing and the visual arts. She will be missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1227)

Donald Muth, Sr., of Hampden, a veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Muth worked for Penobscot Shoe Company for 20 years. He served the community in many ways, including as a Sunday school teacher, Boy Scout leader, Hampden town councilor, VFW Post No. 4633 of Hampden post commander, volunteer at the Masonic Learning Center and volunteer for the Penobscot Valley Council of Government and most recently as the chair of the Hampden Veterans Honor Roll Committee. He will be missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1228)

Harold and Galen L. Larrabee, of Knox, recipients of the first annual Commissioner's Distinguished Service Award presented by the Maine Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. The award recognizes those who have volunteered their time and talents for the promotion of agriculture in Maine. Harold and Galen manage Aghaloma Farms, a 3rd-generation family farm with 400 milk cows and 700 head of cattle. Members of Agri-Mark Dairy Co-op, they have received quality awards for years, their most recent being 2003 Top Quality Milk Producer from Oakhurst Dairy. We recognize and applaud their leadership in the agricultural industry; (HLS 1229)

Karen Hinson, of Robbinston, on the occasion of her retirement as a teacher. Ms. Hinson has taught at Calais High School since 1991. She has worked in the Special Education department for many years. She has kept abreast of new legislation pertaining to education and has shared that knowledge with the faculty and staff. She is a true friend to education, her students and the faculty at Calais High School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Hinson for her dedication and commitment to the students of Calais and send our best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1230)

Benjamin Dunham, of Strong, a student at Strong Elementary School, who is the recipient of the Secretary of State's Eighth Grade Citizenship Award. This award is given to honor outstanding eighth-grade students for their civic awareness, scholastic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Benjamin on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1231)

the beloved memory of United States Army Corporal Leslie Aaron Dalrymple, of East Wilton, on the honored occasion of the Moving Wall's visit to Wilton on August 2, 2005. He died in Vietnam on November 20, 1969 at the age of 20, and his name is inscribed on the Vietnam Memorial. The Moving Wall, an independent half-sized traveling version of the national memorial, has been touring the Nation for 20 years. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice that Corporal Dalrymple made for his State and his Nation. We welcome the Moving Wall to our State and honor Corporal Dalrymple and all of the others whose names are inscribed on it; (HLS 1232)

the beloved memory of United States Warrant Officer Bard Elton Davenport, of Wilton, on the honored occasion of the Moving Wall's visit to Wilton on August 2, 2005. He died in Vietnam on March 27, 1969 at the age of 22, and his name is inscribed on the Vietnam Memorial. The Moving Wall, an independent half-sized traveling version of the national memorial, has been touring the Nation for 20 years. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the ultimate sacrifice that Warrant Officer Davenport made for his State and his Nation. We welcome the Moving Wall to our State and honor Warrant Officer Davenport and all of the others whose names are inscribed on it; (HLS 1233)

Gladys Gugan, of Manchester, on the occasion of her retirement as Complaint Examiner at the Office of the Attorney General after 24 years of dedicated service to the people of the State of Maine. Mrs. Gugan has been with the office's Consumer Information and Mediation Service since it began in 1981. She started as a mediator for the office and then became an Assistant Complaint Examiner before becoming the supervisory Complaint Examiner. This innovative program, using volunteer mediators and well-trained assistants, is now a model for many other states and their mediation services as it handles 8,000 contacts a year from the public. She has also been instrumental in overseeing the development and implementation of the Maine Lemon Law Arbitration Program after the law was adopted. The Mediation Service and the Lemon Law program have returned up to \$1,000,000 annually to consumers. Mrs. Gugan moved to Maine from her native England with her husband David in 1962. She is acknowledged as one of the most knowledgeable people in Maine consumer law and her work has been invaluable to the public and to the State. We thank her for her many years of exceptional work and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1234)

the Casco Bay Transit District, of Portland, upon the honored occasion of the launching and christening of the Aucocisco III, the newest vessel in the Casco Bay Lines fleet, which began her service to proud islanders in May, 2005. An all-American product, she was designed by Seaworthy Systems of Essex, Connecticut and built by Steiner Shipyard in Bayou LaBatre, Alabama. Powered by New England Detroit Diesel engines, she made her maiden voyage up the Atlantic coast to Down East waters with a Casco Bay Lines crew aboard. She bears the name of noble predecessors, both famous harbor workhorses for much of the 20th century: Aucocisco I (1897-1953), built in the Nathan Dyer yard in South Portland and used as a United States Navy ferry serving Portland harbor forts during World War II; and Aucocisco II (1954-1967), built by Blount Marine of Rhode Island. Built along the lines and bearing the spirit of her famous namesakes, may the new Aucocisco III continue to symbolize the endurance, diligence and determination to breast the tides, which exemplifies the Maine heritage. We wish her fair winds, following seas and a long voyage well into the 21st Century serving Casco Bay and Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (HLS 1235)

Carolyn Ouellet, of Rockport, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Camden Hills Regional High School. We extend our congratulations to Carolyn on this accomplishment; (HLS 1236)

Ruth Gonnella, of Rockport, who has earned the distinction of being named Co-Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Camden Hills Regional High School. We extend our congratulations to Ruth on this accomplishment; (HLS 1237)

Brigitta Polson, of Lincolnville, who has earned the distinction of being named Co-Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of



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Camden Hills Regional High School. We extend our congratulations to Brigitta on this accomplishment; (HLS 1238)

Pastor Steven Loan, of Winter Harbor, who is leaving after 12 years as pastor at the Gouldsboro and Prospect Harbor United Methodist Churches. His vigorous and encompassing ministry has extended beyond the comfortable confines of the church walls to all in need. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the community and State and we join his parishioners in wishing him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 1239)

the members of the Fort Kent Community High School Nordic Girls Ski Team on winning the Aroostook County Nordic Ski Championship. The members of the team are: Nicole Chasse, Dee Pelletier, Kathryn Morin, Nicki Trudel, Lindsay Cyr, Justine Cyr, Kristyn Labrie, Allison Charette, Cassie Vaillancourt, Sarah Plourde, Sarah Bouchard, Lauren Lavoie and Lora Cyr and Coaches Ben Paradis and Greg Voisine. We extend our congratulations to them on their achievement; (HLS 1240)

Richard E. "Dick" Doyle, lifelong resident of Portland, and notable sportswriter for the Portland newspapers. Mr. Doyle graduated from Bowdoin College in 1940 and went to work for Guy Gannett Publishing Company. He served in the United States Army during World War II in the European Theater of Operations. He returned from the war to the newspaper, where he worked for 44 years before retiring. He was very active in the community and served on the first Parish Council of St. Patrick's Church. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, his readers and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1241)

Costa Smirles, of Greene, on the occasion of his retirement from Winthrop High School. Mr. Smirles taught math for 35 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Smirles for his commitment to the youth of the State and send our congratulations to him on his retirement; (HLS 1242)

Barbara Selwood, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement from Winthrop High School after a career as a math teacher that spanned 21 years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Selwood for her commitment to the youth of the State and send our best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1243)

Paula Gaudet, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement from Winthrop Public Schools after a career that spanned 31 years. Ms. Gaudet was a teacher, assistant principal, grade school principal and superintendent of schools. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Gaudet for her commitment to the youth of the State and send our best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1244)

Liz Vose, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement from Winthrop Grade School after 21 years as a second grade teacher. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Vose for her commitment to the youth of the State and send our best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1245)

Jim Baker, of Winthrop, on the occasion of his retirement from Winthrop Middle School. Mr. Baker taught in the Industrial Arts Department for 33 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Baker for his commitment to the youth of the State and send our best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1246)

Frank Smith, of Wayne, on the occasion of his retirement from Winthrop High School. Mr. Smith taught in the Industrial Arts Department for 35 years. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Smith for his commitment to the youth of the State and send our congratulations to him on his retirement; (HLS 1247)

the Honorable Verdi L. Tripp, of Brunswick, who has been named the 2004 Citizen of the Year by the Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Tripp served in the House of Representatives during the 117th, 118th and 119th Legislatures. He has been active in the area Chamber of Commerce since

1985 and served as its president in 1990. He was instrumental in establishing the first Base Realignment and Closure "BRAC" committee of the chamber, which was successful in averting the Brunswick Naval Air Station from being listed in the first BRAC review. He was a Topsham selectman, serving as chair for 5 years. He cochaired the Coastal Connector and Merrymeeting Bridge project. He has been married to his wife Margaret for 44 years, and they have 2 children. He and his wife started *The Pejepscot Cryer* newspaper, which is now the *Topsham Cryer*. We extend our appreciation to him for his unselfish commitment to his community and congratulate him on receiving this award; (HLS 1248)

Everett and Edith Dearborn, of Mattawamkeag, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 25, 2005. We congratulate them and wish them continued happiness; (HLS 1249)

Dawn Tripp, of Eliot, who is the recipient of the annual Fabyan Drake Citizen of the Year Award. This honor is presented to Ms. Tripp for her many years of dedicated public service. Her enthusiasm and interest in the children of Eliot is apparent through her helping to organize their participation in the inaugural parade in Washington, D.C. Dawn has been a supervising member and adult advisor to the Explorer Scouts, while also contributing her time and energy to the children's Special Olympics. As a member of the Blue Knights, Dawn brings her civic-mindedness to an organization that positively influences the people of our great state. Her assistance to the Eliot American Legion-sponsored Christmas tree program and the Christmas parties at the Baptist Church has become invaluable. Her founding of the Eliot Children's Leadership Council and contributing 2 years to the development of the "Promise for America" policy further brings to light Dawn's commitment to youth. Dawn also helps Eliot's seniors. She is a founding member of the Seniors and Law Enforcement Together program, a program that educates seniors to help prevent them from falling victim to acts of fraud. We extend our appreciation to Dawn for her diligent work and congratulate her for receiving this distinguished honor; (HLS 1250)

Patricia Lord, a teacher at South School in Rockland, who is retiring after 18 years of teaching at the school and almost 37 years as a teacher. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1251)

Linda Woodman, a teacher at South School in Rockland, who is retiring after 18 years of teaching at the school and 26 years with the school district. We acknowledge her dedicated years of teaching and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 1252)

Thomas LeBlond, a teacher at Rockland District Middle School, who is retiring after 30 years of dedicated service to School Administrative District #5. We acknowledge his dedicated years of teaching and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1253)

Frank and Alice Wallace, of East Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 18, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1254)

William and Helen Barrett, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 25, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Barrett on this special occasion; (HLS 1255)

Philip and Barbara Roy, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, November 22, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Roy on this special occasion; (HLS 1256)

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Samuel E. Pattison, Jr., of Harpswell, on the occasion of his retirement from Knight-Celotex plant in Lisbon Falls after 37 years of dedicated service to his work and community. We extend our best wishes to Mr. Pattison on his retirement; (HLS 1257)

George and Anna Ferguson, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, May 19, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson on this special occasion; (HLS 1258)

George and Joanne Couture, of Bowdoin, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, November 3, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Couture on this special occasion; (HLS 1259)

Arthur and Ernestine Marquis, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, March 30, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Marquis on this special occasion; (HLS 1260)

George and Jeanne Huston, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 16, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Huston on this special occasion; (HLS 1261)

Robert and Claudette Blais, Sr., of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 11, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Blais on this special occasion; (HLS 1262)

Thelma Godsoe Bowler, of Bangor, on the occasion of her 101st birthday, June 27, 2005. Mrs. Bowler is a graduate of Bangor High School and the Gilman Commercial School. She married Leslie Bowler on July 5, 1934 and they spent most of their lives in Bangor where they raised their son William. Her son and grandson currently reside on Nantucket Island, Massachusetts. Mrs. Bowler is a dedicated member of the Church of Christ, Scientist. Her kindness and positive spirit are an inspiration to all she meets. We extend to her our congratulations and best wishes on this momentous occasion; (HLS 1263)

Glen Murray O'Leary, of St. John Plantation, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, May 21, 1925. Mr. O'Leary is a United States Army veteran of World War II. Mr. O'Leary was born in St. John and worked on the family farm until he joined the service in 1943. He was in Japan for 1 year and in the hospital in Japan for 3 months. While hospitalized, he received a visit from Maine Senator Owen Brewster, who sent a letter of reassurance to Mr. O'Leary's mother. After the war, he returned to farming, which he did until 1964. He worked for the Pinkham Mill as a heavy equipment operator, in the woods for Great Northern and then for Irving at the St. John mill. He retired in 1975. He was a hard worker and a good father to 7 beautiful children. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. O'Leary on this special occasion; (HLS 1264)

Alex Rich, of Glenburn, who received his United States Air Force wings in a ceremony at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1265)

the Coast Guard Group at Southwest Harbor, upon winning this year's top United States Coast Guard Excellence in Food Service Award in the medium ashore category from the International Food Service Executive Association. We extend our congratulations to Chief Food Service Specialist Michael Carpenter and Executive Officer Russell Davidson and their galley crew on their achievement; (HLS 1266)

Mr. Robert Chaplin's 6th-grade class at the Conners Emerson School in Bar Harbor, which has received the United States Environmental Protection Agency Paul G. Keough Earth Artist

Award. The Emerson School was one of 9 Maine schools to receive a 2005 environmental award from the New England Office of the Environmental Protection Agency. We extend our congratulations to the class on its receiving this award; (HLS 1267)

Hazel Ruth Gilpatrick Libby Cole, of Gray, on her 90th birthday. Hazel, the daughter of Dunton and Ethel Rollins Gilpatrick, was born on June 14, 1915 in Danforth. Hazel was educated in Danforth and Milo, and in 1932 she graduated from Milo High School and went on to graduate from Gorham Normal School in 1934. While attending college she met and married Ernest Libby in 1934. Hazel and Ernest raised a family of 6 children. Hazel's life has been long and full, with her as the centerpiece of her bustling family of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was a teacher, actor, avid square dancer, cribbage player and world traveler. For years Hazel was a constant presence at the family restaurant, Cole Farms in Gray, where she spent many an hour helping with the day-to-day operations. She is an active member of the First Congregational Church supporting the bean suppers and many other church initiatives as she always has over the years. Hazel's sense of humor, sensitivity and generosity have made a lasting impression on the lives of many. Happy 90th birthday Hazel; (HLS 1268)

the members of the Caribou High School Girls Tennis Team, the Caribou Vikings, who have won the 2005 Class B Eastern Maine Girls Tennis Championship. The players include Jessica Belanger, Michelle Ouellette, Casey Corriveau, Nikole Lopez, Suzanne Dorman, Kelley Damboise, Rebekah Johnson, Kylee Morrell, Danielle Pelkey, Nicole Nadeau and Tess Collins. The team is coached by John Habeeb and Jane Hunter. The team had a perfect record of 15 wins as it headed into its second straight state finals appearance. We extend our congratulations to the team and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (HLS 1269)

Charles William Qualey, Jr., and Barbara Theresa Clements Qualey, of North Anson, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Charlie and Barbara were married at the First Congregational Church in Gray on July 30, 1955. After marrying, the couple spent 3 years in Ohio before returning home to Maine. Charlie took a position with the Somerset Telephone Company, making North Anson their home for the last 44 years and raising their 6 children there. The couple has been very involved in family and community life over the years. Charlie served on School Administrative District #74's school board and is a member of the Masons and the Shriners. Barbara often worked at the Well Baby Clinics and is involved in the Rebekahs. Barbara and Charlie's children all live in Maine, except one, and have given them 11 grandchildren, who fill their retirement days. We wish them a happy 50th Wedding Anniversary; (HLS 1270)

Milton E. "Mick" Emerson, Jr., of Portland, beloved husband of Teresa and devoted father of Anthony and Elizabeth. Mr. Emerson formerly worked for SAPP for 14 years and more recently worked for Calpine. He loved softball, golfing, his Harley and his computer. He was a good friend, good neighbor and good man. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1271)

Theodora Brunette, of Sanford, for her dedicated work as Director of Events for the Fourth of July celebrations for the Town of Sanford for the past 30 years. She is responsible for arranging participation of all parade units, organizing the fireworks display held in Gowen Park and scheduling the performances of various musical groups for the weekend festivities. Due to her efforts over the years, the Sanford Fourth of July Parade has grown considerably. She is busy throughout the year coordinating

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special guests from all levels of government, organizing food vendors and contacting donors to raise the necessary funds to make this event a success. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Brunette for her commitment to the community and send her our best wishes; (HLS 1272)

Marie Atkins, of Randolph, for her involvement in establishing a community "Neighborhood Watch" program in Randolph. Her strong commitment to the community has made this project a success. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Atkins for her public service and commend her for taking on such a noteworthy cause; (HLS 1273)

Laura Bly, of Tenants Harbor, who is the lone graduating senior at Watershed Community School. She studied abroad with 10 other students in Thailand under the GlobalQuest program. While in Thailand, she gained significant insight into the Thai culture while immersed in an intensive curriculum of course work in environmental studies, Thai history and language, community studies and leadership training. In addition to traveling throughout the Asian country, she also acted as an ambassador of goodwill from the United States to victims of December's tsunami. Laura will continue her education in lands far from Maine as she will attend the University of Hawaii later this summer. We extend our congratulations to Laura on her graduation and acknowledge her selfless contributions to the victims of the tsunami tragedy; (HLS 1274)

Ricque Finucane, of South Thomaston, for her service as principal of Georges Valley High School since July 2000. Ms. Finucane's resignation from Georges Valley leaves open a position that will be difficult to fill, as her skills and abilities will be surely missed by students, faculty and staff. She will be taking the position of principal at Morse High School in Bath. Her contributions to School Administrative District #50 will be long-lasting. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Finucane for her commitment to quality education for Maine's schools and wish her well as she takes on this new role; (HLS 1275)

Troy Nadeau, of Eagle Lake, who is the recipient of the Secretary of State's Eighth Grade Citizenship Award. This award is given to honor outstanding eighth-grade students chosen for their civic awareness, scholastic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Troy on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1276)

Chace Jackson, of Fort Kent, who is the recipient of the Secretary of State's Eighth Grade Citizenship Award. This award is given to honor outstanding eighth-grade students chosen for their civic awareness, scholastic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Chace on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1277)

Lillian Ann Tuell, of St. Francis, who is the recipient of the Secretary of State's Eighth Grade Citizenship Award. This award is given to honor outstanding eighth-grade students chosen for their civic awareness, scholastic achievement and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Lillian on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1278)

Sergeant Greg Lumbert, of Randolph, who is an officer with the Kennebec County Sheriff's Department, for his dedication, leadership and professionalism in the establishment of the Neighborhood Watch program in the Town of Randolph. Sergeant Lumbert's assistance was invaluable in making the project a success. We extend our appreciation to Sergeant Lumbert for his commitment to the citizens of the State; (HLS 1279)

Trooper Greg Stevens, of Pittston, who is an officer with the Maine State Police, for his dedication, leadership and professionalism in the establishment of the Neighborhood Watch

program in the Town of Randolph. Trooper Stevens' assistance was invaluable in making the project a success. We extend our appreciation to Trooper Stevens for his commitment to the citizens of the State; (HLS 1280)

Jessica Chase, of Mars Hill, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 1281)

Naomi Smith, of Blaine, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her achievement; (HLS 1282)

Katherine "Kit" Dickey, of Camden, who is one of 7 young people honored by WLBZ-TV 2 with a Teens Who Care Award for community service. A recent graduate of Camden Hills Regional High School in Rockport, Katherine was a significant contributor to the formation of a group known as Lifelines, which is devoted to preventing suicides among students. Trained under a Yellow Ribbon Project on national teen suicide prevention, Katherine views Lifelines' members as the link between the person that needs help and the help itself. Her caring demeanor and strong sense of leadership has made this project a success by educating both teens and adults about the risk factors and warning signs of teen suicide. We extend our appreciation to Katherine for her public service efforts and commend her for taking on such a noteworthy cause; (HLS 1283)

David St. Hilaire, of Winthrop, on the occasion of his retirement after 19 years of dedicated service to the Winthrop Public School System. We extend our appreciation to Mr. St. Hilaire for his commitment to the youth of the State and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1284)

Andy Struck, of Winthrop, on the occasion of his retirement after 33 years of dedicated service to the Winthrop Public School System. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Struck and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1285)

Dan White, of Winthrop, on the occasion of his retirement after 15 years of dedicated service to the Winthrop Public School System. We extend our appreciation to Mr. White for his commitment to the youth of the State and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1286)

Claudette Poulin, of East Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement after 27 years of dedicated service to the Winthrop Public School System. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Poulin for her commitment to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1287)

Tyler Francke, of Presque Isle, who was chosen as one of 13 semifinalists of the "A Journey into Writing" contest sponsored by the Maine Community College System. Tyler was one of more than 400 Maine students who entered the contest by submitting their best poetry, essay or short story. We extend our congratulations to Tyler on this achievement and wish him continued success with his writing; (HLS 1288)

Stephanie Jette, of Fryeburg, who won first place in the 800-meter run at the Class B State Track and Field Meet. Stephanie is a senior at Fryeburg Academy and won the race with a margin of more than 4 seconds, clocking a time of 2 minutes, 23 seconds. We commend her for the numerous hours of dedication to her sport and team and wish her well as she competes at the prestigious New England Championships; (HLS 1289)

Elizabeth Shames, of Portland, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, March 12, 2005. As a single parent, she raised 3 children, all of whom attended college. She has 4 grandchildren

and 5 great-grandchildren. She has been a vocal and active advocate for the visual and performing arts; an advisory board member of the Maine Arts Commission; a docent, now Docent Emerita, having more than 20 years of service, at the Portland Museum of Art; and a dancer in Perennial Effects multigenerational dance company. Ms. Shames has also been active in local and national politics and has worked with Parkside Neighborhood of Portland in helping to preserve Deering Oaks Park. Known for her sense of style and her flair, she has been an inspiration to generations of dancers and political and community activists. We acknowledge her invaluable contributions to her community, and we join her family and friends in extending best wishes to her on this celebration of her life; (HLS 1290)

Geraldine A. Giles, of Glenburn. Mrs. Giles was married to the late Otis B. Giles and was a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She and her husband also raised 45 foster children over the years. She was employed by Sylvania in Bangor for 28 years until her retirement. She will be missed by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1291)

Chris Harding, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Hermon High School. Chris is the son of Lisa and Brian Goggins of Levant and Chris Harding of Glenburn. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (HLS 1292)

Alex Steed and Nathaniel Whittemore, who are traveling to places such as Serbia, the Middle East and Africa to explore international volunteerism and to document the good work being done by people participating in international aid projects. Alex, a graduate of Sacopec Valley High School in South Hiram, is attending the University of Southern Maine. Nathaniel, a graduate of Scarborough High School, is attending Northwestern University. Together, they will travel to Serbia, Sarajevo, Israel, the Palestinian Territories, Egypt, Rwanda and Uganda to research volunteerism as a way to connect people across cultural, religious and political borders. They will present their findings on a website as well as in a database. We congratulate Alex and Nathaniel on their exceptional project and we send them our best wishes for furthering the development of international cooperation; (HLS 1293)

the following students who have successfully completed the General Education Development High School Equivalency Program through Freeport Community Education: Joel Berkowitz, Amy Bernard, Daniel Carroll, Francois Dumont, Barry Howe, Elizabeth Kool, Elizabeth Mason, Darin Moyen, Miranda Richardson, James Swenson and Ryan Tate. We congratulate these students on their achieving this praiseworthy accomplishment, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (HLS 1294)

the Honorable Paul L. Rudman, of Veazie, who is retiring as an Associate Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. Justice Rudman is the son of the late Supreme Judicial Court Justice Abraham M. Rudman. He graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy, Yale University and George Washington University Law School. Justice Rudman was a founding partner of the Bangor law firm of Rudman & Winchell, where he practiced from 1960 to 1992, when he was appointed to the Court. He is the Court's liaison to the Board of Overseers of the Bar, the chairperson of the Judicial Education Committee, a member of the Committee on Media and the Courts, a member of the Sentence Review Panel and a member of the National Judicial Advisory Board of the AEI-Brookings Judicial Education Program. We extend our appreciation to Justice Rudman for his many years of dedicated service to the citizens of the State and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1295)

John H. "Red" Martin, of Portland, a United States Navy veteran of World War II. He served in Europe and the Pacific aboard the USS Monticello and the USS Europa. He was retired from A & P Tea Co. and then from the Associated Grocers in Gardiner. As a young man, he was a softball pitcher for the VFW Post 6859, winning many State championships. He was also a champion bowler for the VFW and the A & P Tea Co. He coached Little League Seven, was active in the Boy Scouts and was an active member of the Presumpscot School PTA in earlier years. He was an avid hunter and a strong booster for Portland High School sports. Mr. Martin was a volunteer at the Preble Street Soup Kitchen. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife Catherine, his family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1296)

Christopher M. O. Gregory, of Fryeburg, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. He is to be commended for his many dedicated hours of service to this community. We send our congratulations to Christopher on this accomplishment; (HLS 1297)

James and Priscilla Twitchell, of Oxford, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Their relationship began in the early forties with James traveling by horseback to court Priscilla. They were married on June 23, 1945 and settled into the home that James built for Priscilla in East Oxford. They have 4 children: Butch, Tim, Marie and Elaine. Mr. and Mrs. Twitchell not only worked outside the home, James as a carpenter then later at CB Cumming and the Woolen Mill, Priscilla for J.J. Newberry's in Norway, but they also worked at establishing their farm. In 1975, they moved to another home that James built on Fore Street in Oxford where they now play host to their 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Twitchell on the many loving years they have spent together and sent our best wishes for their continued happiness; (HLS 1298)

Ruth and Stan Johnson, of Bowdoinham, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 2005. Ruth and Stan were engaged in 1954. Both are graduates of Cornell University: Ruth received a bachelor's degree in Home Economics in 1955 and Stan received a bachelor's degree in Agriculture in 1956. They were both second in their class. Stan went on to get his Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Cornell University in 1965. They are the proud parents of Chris, Dave, Michael, Tim and Grace. The family moved to Bangor in 1969 and Stan taught biochemistry at the University of Maine at Orono. Ruth received her teaching certificate from the university and worked as a substitute teacher and counselor for YMCA programs. They moved to Dover-Foxcroft in 1976 and Ruth worked for the Piscataquis County Extension Service as a nutritional aid and Stan taught physics and chemistry at Foxcroft Academy. Ruth then joined the Training and Development Corporation (TDC) and headed the learning center for adults. She developed programs and managed the satellite offices in other towns for the TDC, while Stan worked for Sears in the automotive department. In 1983, they moved to Orland where Stan joined the Bureau of Oil and Hazardous Materials Control within the Department of Environmental Protection. In 1985, Ruth joined the Department of Education where she worked for the Title 1 program as a consultant for the tutoring program, which helps disadvantaged children all over the State. They both retired on December 1, 1997 and now enjoy doing civic work in the community with the Brunswick/Cuba Sister City Project. We send them our congratulations on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1299)

the Wiscasset Female Charitable Society on the occasion of its 200th Anniversary. In 1805, 20 ladies met in Wiscasset and formed a society for benevolent purposes, to "help local females in need, especially widows and orphans." Today, the Society has an estimated 200 members and is the second oldest female charitable society in the United States and the only one in Maine. It often assists with purchases of fuel oil, electricity, food, medications, clothing, car repairs, tuition payments and college textbooks. We acknowledge the Society's invaluable contributions to the community, and we extend our congratulations to the good members on the Society's bicentennial celebration; (HLS 1300)

Brian Harris, of Howland, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. A junior at Penobscot Valley High School, Brian is a member of Boy Scout Troop #64. For his service project, he renovated the pantry at the Howland Methodist Church Food Cupboard. We commend him for the many hours he gave to his community, and we extend our congratulations on achieving this honor; (HLS 1301)

Leon "Mike" Gallant, of Belfast, known to all, especially the Guardsmen, as "GI Joe." Mr. Gallant was drafted in 1966 and was sent to Vietnam in August 1967. While in the United States Army, he earned 3 Purple Hearts. He served many different posts with the Randall Collins VFW Post #37 and was elected Post Commander in 1973, being the youngest of all Post Commanders statewide. He rejoined the National Guard and served with the 133rd Engineer Battalion. He served twice in Germany and also in Panama. After retiring from the National Guard, he worked full time for the United States Postal Service and is currently Postmaster in Lincolnville. After the first Gulf War, he realized that there was a serious gap in the relations between the local community and the departure of the young men and women who were being sent to war. His first attempt in bridging the gap was to host a lobster feed for the departing members of the local Belfast and Skowhegan National Guard. He also set up an extensive communications network between Belfast and Iraq and other Middle Eastern countries where the local troops were deployed. He continues to help the local service men and women as they move out in defense of our great Nation. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Gallant for his 30 years of commitment to the State's military personnel; (HLS 1302)

Specialist Melinda Rae Michaud, of Thomaston, who has returned home from active duty with the 619th Transport Army Reserve Unit stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Michaud who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Michaud home and in extending our appreciation to her for her commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1303)

Russell Lee Goodwin, of Freeman Township, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top ten seniors of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Abram High School. Russell is a member of the National Honor Society and was a delegate to Boys' State. He was on the Varsity Soccer Team. He will attend the University of Maine. We extend our congratulations to Russell on this achievement; (HLS 1304)

Eileen A. Hays, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top ten seniors of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School. Eileen is a member of the National Honor Society, the Civil Rights Team and Mt. Blue Theater Company. She will be attending Roberts Wesleyan

College to study nursing. We extend our congratulations to Eileen on this achievement; (HLS 1305)

Michael C. Johnson, of Stockton Springs. Mr. Johnson enjoyed racing cars, baseball, basketball and bowling. He was a general contractor for over 35 years and was very proud of the business that he established. He was very active in the community, including being a volunteer firefighter. He was well known and well liked in the community and will be missed by many; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1306)

Samuel Stephen Dyar, of Strong, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Abram High School. Samuel was the speaking captain of the Varsity Boys Basketball Team and won the Richard E. Lovejoy Award, was captain of the Soccer Team and was a Bruce Howard Award Recipient and was a Mountain Valley Conference All-Star. He is president and past vice president of the Student Council, a Maine Principals' Association's Top Student, a Youth Leadership Summit Scholar, winner of the Phi Beta Kappa Academic Achievement Award and a member of the baseball team and the math team. He will attend M.I.T. to study electrical or computer engineering. We extend our congratulations to Samuel on this achievement; (HLS 1307)

Matthias Thomas Socatean Barker, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top ten seniors of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School. Matthias was a member of the Cross-country Team and the Basketball Team and a member of the All Academic Teams for the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference. He founded the school's Transcendentalist Club. He was selected to the President's National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense Intelligence and Diplomacy. He will attend Colorado College to study philosophy. We extend our congratulations to Matthias on this achievement; (HLS 1308)

Aaron L. Kinney, of Phillips, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top ten seniors of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Abram High School. Aaron played basketball and is a member of the Sons of the American Legion and the National Honor Society. Aaron will attend the University of Maine to study civil engineering. We extend our congratulations to Aaron on this achievement; (HLS 1309)

Jocelyn Eleanor Plog, of Avon, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top ten seniors of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Abram High School. Jocelyn is president of the National Honor Society. She has been captain of and Rookie of the Year of the Varsity Girls Soccer Team and received the senior award and the captain award and awards for perfect attendance and being the most improved player. We extend our congratulations to Jocelyn on this achievement; (HLS 1310)

Elizabeth A. Cormier, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2005 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School. Elizabeth is a member of the National Honor Society, the Civil Rights Team, Mt. Blue Theater Company and Franklin County Fiddlers and is the assistant director of the Middle School Show Choir. She is the recipient of the Principals' Leadership Award and the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award. She will be attending Rochester Institute of Technology to study Industrial Engineering. We extend our congratulations to Elizabeth on this achievement; (HLS 1311)

Ali Dick, of Winthrop, the Kennebec Journal Tennis Player of the Year. Ali was the Captain of the Winthrop High School Girls Tennis Team, leading the team to its first Class C State Championship; (HLS 1312)

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the Winthrop High School Girls Tennis Team, winners of the 2005 Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1313)

Charlsie Monbleau, of Turner, who is the recipient of the President's Award for Academic Excellence. Charlsie, an 8th grade graduate of Tripp Middle School, also received the Social Studies Academic Award and the Health Academic Award. We congratulate Charlsie on her numerous achievements and wish her continued success as she begins high school; (HLS 1314)

Allyce Angeline Pepin, of Gardiner, who has been named Governor of Dirigo Girls State. Allyce will be a senior at Gardiner Area High School this fall. Dirigo Girls State is a hands-on opportunity to learn first hand how state and local government work. Students are chosen for the program for demonstrating leadership, good citizenship, scholarship and community participation and service. We extend our congratulations to Allyce on this achievement; (HLS 1315)

Marion Bertha Johnson Berry, of Scarborough, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, July 17, 2005. Mrs. Berry graduated from Deering High School in 1933 and graduated from Maine General School of Nursing in 1938. On October 12, 1940, she married Ralph Donald Berry. Mrs. Berry is a lifelong member of the First Lutheran Church in Portland where she taught Sunday School and Vacation Bible School and is active in Tuesday Group and Senior Saints. She is a member and past Chief of the Nonesuch Temple of Pythian Sisters in Scarborough and a member and past Grand Trustee of the Grand Temple of Pythian Sisters. Mrs. Berry is a member of the Beech Ridge Community Club and has served on the Scarborough Health Council. She is the mother of 5 sons and one daughter and has 7 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Berry on this very special occasion; (HLS 1316)

Joseph and Rita Costello, of Old Town, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them as they celebrate their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1317)

Janice Fulmer, of Sanford, who was a dedicated teacher in the Sanford school system for more than 3 decades. The daughter of a Sanford schoolteacher, Ms. Fulmer taught for 33 years and her daughter also now teaches in Sanford. Teaching children was her greatest passion. She was always willing to give an extra amount of effort for her students who needed it. We acknowledge her many years of service to the children in her care. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her loving family, her former students and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1318)

the following members of the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Baseball Team, which won the 2005 Class A State Championship: players Dan Millett, Ethan Sutton, Russel Estes, Ryan Yates, Jon Cote, Chris Jennings, Derek Varney, Ben Ryerson, Chris Roy, Justin Frechette, Kelvin Decato, Corey Saunders, Kyle Keniston, Matt McDonnell, Alex Waite and David Pratt; Head Coach Shane Slicer; Assistant Coaches Brian Cox and Joe Oufiero; Athletic Trainer Cara Maloney; and Athletic Administrator Jeff Benson. This is the first title for the Oxford Hills Vikings in baseball since the formation of the 8-town district. We extend our congratulations to the team for this achievement; (HLS 1319)

Charles and Luella Standard, of West Paris, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Standard, college sweethearts, celebrated this wonderful occasion with friends and family on May 22, 2005 at the West Paris Baptist Church with a renewal of their vows. We honor them on this

tremendous milestone and wish them continued happiness; (HLS 1320)

Tom and Mary Standard, of West Paris, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Standard, high school sweethearts, celebrated this wonderful occasion with friends and family on May 22, 2005 at the West Paris Baptist Church with a renewal of their vows. We honor them on this tremendous milestone and wish them continued happiness; (HLS 1321)

Forest "Pat" Goodwin, a longtime resident of Levant. Mr. Goodwin joined the United States Army in 1943 during World War II and volunteered to become a Ranger. He was discharged from the Army on October 15, 1945 as a highly decorated Corporal. After the war, Pat settled on the Wing Road, where he lives today. He raised 8 children with the help of his first wife, Janice Hodgdon Goodwin, and his wife of 45 years, Olive Robertson Goodwin. Pat was active in the community as a member of the fire department, Grange and the Masons. The Town of Levant has dedicated the 2005 Town Report to Mr. Goodwin for his many years of service to the town and the surrounding communities; (HLS 1322)

Howard L. Ruben, of Stockton Springs, beloved husband of Norma. Mr. Ruben worked at and operated I.W. Ruben Salvage and was a tax assessor for Searsport and Stockton ;Springs. He enjoyed driving his old Ford tractor. He will be missed by his family and friends;  
; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1323)

Andy and Sheree Wess, of Winthrop, proprietors of Lakeside Motel and Marina on Cobbosseecontee Lake, for their volunteer work benefiting the Special Olympics. Mr. and Mrs. Wess host the Maine Special Olympics Open Bass Tournament with all proceeds going to the Special Olympics. They are hosts and extended family to the many Legislators who live at the motel during session. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Wess for their commitment to the citizens of the State; (HLS 1324)

Theodora Brunette, of Sanford, fondly known by all who knew her as "Teddi." Mrs. Brunette was employed for almost 30 years with the York County Community Action Corporation. She was a communicant of Holy Family Church and served there as a Eucharistic minister. She was a civic-minded person, active in the Red Cross, Waban Projects and the Literacy Program. She served as a Sanford Town Meeting member. She served on the Sanford Planning Board and was a member of the Rolling Thunder. As a notary public, she married thousands of couples. She was Director of Events for the Fourth of July celebrations for the town for 30 years. The Chamber of Commerce will honor her with the "Sanford Proud" award on July 4th. She had a big heart and was a good friend to many. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1325)

Jesse Elmer Benner, of Warren, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Jesse earned 21 merit badges and served as treasurer in the crew. He constructed a handicapped-accessible picnic table, garden seat and sandbox for Prior Park in Union, a park dedicated in memory of his great-grandfather. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievement; (HLS 1326)

Wilfred Albert Lauze, of Lewiston, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday, July 28, 2005. Born in Jay in 1905, Mr. Lauze worked as a bellhop at the Hotel Commodore in New York City

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until World War II, then worked at Fairchild in Long Island. After the war, he moved to Lewiston, where he worked for Peppercorn Mill and Lombard Shoe Company until his retirement. He married Cecile Belanger in 1954 and they have one son, who lives in Texas. They have lived at Montello Heights for 4 years. Mr. Lauze enjoyed gardening and woodworking as pastimes and is a big Boston Red Sox fan. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this centennial celebration of his life; (HLS 1327)

Kennebec Lodge No. 42 Knights of Pythias, in Bowdoinham, on its 100th Anniversary. When it was instituted on December 27, 1883, it had 20 charter members. The original hall burned down in 1904 and the lodge has met in the same location since 1905. The Kennebec Lodge No. 42 Knights of Pythias has had a variety of members, from sea captains to doctors. There were 4 members from Bowdoinham's lodge who earned the high honor of Grand Chancellor of the State of Maine. The lodge currently has 47 members, 7 of which are 50-year members. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the good members of this group; (HLS 1328)

Joe and Veneita Shaw, of Mars Hill, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1329)

Brett DeLawter, of Sabattus, who is the recipient of the Royal Rangers Bronze Medal of Achievement Award. The Royal Rangers is a Christian ministry for boys that teach local church and community involvement. The ministry offers bible study, nature-related activities and physical skills development that helps build self-esteem. Brett is in the 6th grade and a member of the Adventure Rangers. He has worked towards achieving the Bronze Medal Award by displaying his excellence in skills development through his completion of numerous required merits. We extend our congratulations to Brett on this accomplishment; (HLS 1330)

James W. Colburn, of Harrison, on the occasion of his retirement after 19 years as the town's postmaster. Mr. Colburn was appointed in 1985 and is the town's second longest serving postmaster. He started working for the United States Postal Service in 1969. He received a service award for 38 years of dedicated service with the United States Government. In October 2001, he received an official commendation and recognition for delivery confirmation performance of 97% or above. He served with the United States Army as a paratrooper. He was a member of the Harrison Planning Board and the color guard, volunteered with the little league and pony teams and served as the first head coach for the Oxford Hills Varsity Soccer Team. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Colburn for his commitment to the citizens of Harrison and extend our best wishes to him for a peaceful retirement; (HLS 1331)

the Arbutus Grange No. 450 in Surry, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. Founded on April 11, 1905, the Grange has served as an important part of the community of Surry and has contributed to the development of the area's agricultural industry. We extend our congratulations to the good members of the Arbutus Grange and send them our best wishes on this centennial celebration; (HLS 1332)

Clifton and Ruth Fryer Foster, of Gray, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 20, 2005. In 1961 they moved to Gray, where they raised their 4 sons. Mr. Foster worked for the Maine Forest Service for 26 years, and Mrs. Foster taught at Russell School in Gray for 33 years. They have been active in civic groups. Mrs. Foster started the Pen-Pal program for her students and area nursing home seniors. Mr. Foster served on the Gray Town Council and Planning Board and

was a member of the House of Representatives during the 118th, 119th and 120th Legislatures. They are now enjoying traveling and camping with their family. We join their family and friends in extending our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 1333)

William P. Burke, of Millinocket, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, July 24, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Burke on this special occasion; (HLS 1334)

the St. John Aroostook Resource Conservation and Development Area, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of its 40th Anniversary. The St. John Aroostook Resource Conservation and Development Area is one of 368 resource conservation and development areas nationwide and consists of a total of 4,257,080 acres. The vision of the St. John Aroostook Resource Conservation and Development Area Council is to help care for and promote appreciation for natural resources in a way that enriches the community and betters the lives of citizens of the State. We extend our appreciation to the St. John Aroostook Resource Conservation and Development Area Council for its commitment to sustaining natural resources, improving its community and bettering the lives of the citizens of the State; (HLS 1335)

Joseph and Delores Finkle, of Parsonsfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We extend to them our congratulations on this tremendous milestone and send our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 1336)

Specialist Matt Lane, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 133rd Engineer Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Lane who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Lane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1337)

Glyn D. Lovely, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of his retirement as a Supervisor in the Family Independence Division of the Department of Health and Human Services after 35 years of dedicated service to the State. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Lovely for his commitment to the citizens of the State and wish him a restful and joyous retirement; (HLS 1338)

Joan B. Bacon, of Fort Fairfield, on the occasion of her retirement after 29 years of dedicated service to the State. Ms. Bacon worked as a Family Independence Specialist with the Department of Health and Human Services. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Bacon for her commitment to the citizens of the State and wish her a restful and joyous retirement; (HLS 1339)

Myrna Evelyn (Hatto) Gerow Sleeper, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, July 21, 2005. She was born in Belvedere Crossing and was married twice and widowed. She has 3 children, 10 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Mrs. Sleeper has had a very active life, including working on farms roqueing and picking potatoes, working at the shipyard in Bath during World War II and working 20 years at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft in East Hartford, Connecticut. She has fished and hunted most of her life, bagging a bear in 1975 and making 3 trips to Alaska for salmon fishing. Also in 1975, she made a trip to Rome and met the Pope. For over 30 years Mrs. Sleeper has been a "snowbird," spending winters in Zephyr Hills, Florida and summers at Mattawamkeag Lake in Island Falls, Maine. She enjoys her camp on the lake, the Maine outdoors and her family and friends. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this celebration of her 90 years; (HLS 1340)

the Museum of Lighthouse History, of Wells, on the occasion of the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the museum expansion on August 7, 2005, National Lighthouse Day. The Museum of Lighthouse History is dedicated to the preservation, educational interpretation and promotion of America's rich lighthouse heritage. It is owned and operated by the nonprofit American Lighthouse Foundation. The Grand Opening of the newly expanded museum on National Lighthouse Day is meant to honor these stately beacons on our shores that have guided and protected our country since our nation's inception. Maine's nautical heritage is rich in these structures and we acknowledge the importance of this grand opening. We send our best wishes to the Museum of Lighthouse History on this special occasion; (HLS 1341)

The Aroostook Medical Center, for receiving a national award for Exceeding Patient Expectations according to Avatar International, Inc., a consulting group that specializes in measuring customer expectations in healthcare. The award was given to honor the leadership and staff of The Aroostook Medical Center, which has maintained this honor for 3 years. As the largest and most comprehensive health care organization in Aroostook County, it exemplifies excellence in health care in Aroostook County and the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations to The Aroostook Medical Center on receiving this prestigious honor; (HLS 1342)

Stephanie Beaulieu, of Fort Fairfield, for performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation on a 3-week old infant and saving the infant's life on June 10, 2005. Ms. Beaulieu was attending a school function with her family when she noticed the infant in distress. She works for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles as an Investigator. We acknowledge her heroic actions and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1343)

Zachery Thompson, of Yarmouth, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 92, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Zachery on this accomplishment; (HLS 1344)

Sergeant Wade Tripp, of Strong, who has returned home from active duty with the 101st Airborne Division, Air Assault Unit, 1st Battalion stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Tripp who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Tripp home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1345)

Sergeant Jeff Rowe, Jr., of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the United States Marine Corps, HMC Company, HE Platoon, 2nd Maintenance Division, stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant Rowe who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Rowe home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1346)

Mary Patricia Richard Cook, of Greenville, on the occasion of her 88th birthday, August 8, 2005. Ms. Cook has lived in Greenville all her life and has been a lifelong member of the Greenville Methodist Church, the Rainbow Girls, Rebekahs and the Eastern Star. She volunteered at the Charles A. Dean Memorial Hospital. She still looks forward to volunteering and

visiting patients and friends. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Cook on this special occasion; (HLS 1347)

Delores Stewart, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement after 30 years as a crossing guard for the children of Millinocket. Mrs. Stewart made a safe environment for schoolchildren for 3 decades and became known affectionately as "Ma" to the thousands of children she served. Throughout her years working as a crossing guard, she has seen all 7 of her children and 5 of her 13 grandchildren graduate from high school. She has one great-grandchild. She plans to care for her elderly mother. We acknowledge her many years of dedicated service to her community and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1348)

Royden E. McInnis, of Millinocket. He worked as a millwright at Great Northern Paper Company for more than 38 years, retiring in 1986, and also worked in the Civilian Conservation Corps camps during World War II. He was a member of the Northern Timber Cruisers Snowmobile Club and he was very proud of being involved in Mount Katahdin rescues. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving wife of 59 years, Jeannine, his family, his neighbors and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1349)

Jean C. Ewing, of East Millinocket. Mrs. Ewing helped organize and was a member of the East Millinocket Fire Department Auxiliary. She loved being at her summer home on Ambajejus Lake. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her husband, Randall, and her family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1350)

the men and women of Company A, 133rd Engineering Battalion, Maine Army National Guard. Under the leadership of Captain Dean Preston, the members of the 133rd Battalion were called to duty in Iraq. While in Iraq, the 133rd built schools and municipal buildings and constructed new roads. Our country has been blessed with generations of men and women like the members of Company A who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in sending our appreciation to the members of the company for their commitment to the armed forces, and we applaud their brave actions, which honor their unit, the State of Maine and the United States of America; (HLS 1351)

the following members of the Phillips High School Graduating Class of 1955: Daniel Wing, Rodney (Bud) Wilbur, Glen (Bo) Douglas, Roberta Fairbanks, Connie Witman-Smith, Carrie Hodges Worcester, Ann Pease Thomas and Franklin Huntington. We extend our congratulations to them as they celebrate their 50th class reunion; (HLS 1352)

Hazel Stevens, of Strong, who celebrated her 100th birthday on July 18, 2005 with nearly that many family members, friends and neighbors. She has been presented with the Boston Post Cane as the oldest resident of Strong. She has held several jobs, including working in the barbershop she and her husband Frank opened in their home. They had 6 children and have 16 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Stevens on this very special occasion; (HLS 1353)

Representative Charles Earl Crosby III, of Topsham, upon receiving the Wal-Mart Regional District Award. Every year at Wal-Mart's annual shareholders meeting, Wal-Mart honors the best of their best in terms of associate performance. Representative Crosby, a member of the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development, received the award in June in Arkansas for his outstanding commitment to fundraising for charitable causes. Under his



leadership, his Wal-Mart district raised the most money in Maine to help those with less and those in need. We congratulate Representative Crosby on this dedication to his community and for receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 1354)

Serene M. Mosca, of Millinocket, a longtime Democratic Party activist. Ms. Mosca was born in Italy and came to Maine at 7 years of age. She was a graduate of Stearns High School and Eastern Academy of Cosmetology. She owned and operated Serene's Beauty Shop in Millinocket for 50 years and was also the co-owner and director of Twin City Beauty School in Brewer for several years. She chaired many committees and organized many fund-raisers for the Democratic Party. She was nominated as delegate and attended several state and national conventions. She was active in community affairs and especially enjoyed July 4th activities and spent hours designing and helping various organizations build floats for the parade or plan reunions. Ms. Mosca was also involved with theater and was make-up artist for school plays and local productions of the Millinocket Players. She will be greatly missed by her family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1355)

Rudolph "Rudy" Cosenze, of Milford, a veteran of World War II, who served in the United States Army Air Corps. Mr. Cosenze was born in Millinocket and was a graduate of Higgins Classical Institute and the University of Maine. He was also a graduate of the United States Department of Labor Training Institute, where he held 4 certificates as a certified instructor of Safety Management. He worked in the construction industry for over 13 years before teaching in the Bangor School System for 2 years. He then moved on to Eastern Maine Technical College where he taught Architectural Technology for 23 years. He served on the Board of Directors of UMO Athletics for many years and was later elected president. Mr. Cosenze also served on the Board of Directors for the Old Town/Orono YMCA and was an advisor of the Old Town High "Y." He will be greatly missed by his loving wife of 50 years, Cathy-Mae, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1356)

Mary Graham, of Presque Isle, a 4th-grade teacher at Zippel Elementary School, who was chosen as a Time Warner Crystal Apple Award Winner. Twenty teachers and teams have been recognized for excellence in class projects that utilize the free resources provided by Time Warner Cable. Ms. Graham, along with Lori Bates, contributed to a project entitled "Patterns and Quilts and the South." Students created patterns on quilts while working on a unit in math, combined with a unit in writing. They used the cable program, "Clues in the Quilts," on HGTV to show how quilt patterns were used by slaves to map the path of the Underground Railroad. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Graham on her receiving this award; (HLS 1357)

Lori Bates, of Presque Isle, a 4th-grade teacher at Zippel Elementary School, who was chosen as a Time Warner Crystal Apple Award Winner. Twenty teachers and teams have been recognized for excellence in class projects that utilize the free resources provided by Time Warner Cable. Ms. Bates, along with Mary Graham, contributed to a project entitled "Patterns and Quilts and the South." Students created patterns on quilts while working on a unit in math, combined with a unit in writing. They used the cable program, "Clues in the Quilts," on HGTV to show how quilt patterns were used by slaves to map the path of the Underground Railroad. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bates on her receiving this award; (HLS 1358)

the 33rd anniversary of the founding of the Theater Project, in Brunswick, and the 28th anniversary of the Young Peoples Theater. We acknowledge Al Miller, founder, for his dedication to inspiring and improving the world community through dramatic

art. The mission of the Theater Project is to change young and old, to enrich and inspire their lives and to provide a safe environment for original and dynamic exploration. Al Miller embodies this mission. He has touched thousands of lives, both children and adults, from Maine to the Middle East and Poland to Michigan. Mr. Miller has distinguished himself by reaching out to children in need. There are many inspiring stories; from a simple funny gesture to a child who looked sad, helping a teenager gain entry to college and teaching theater games that a soldier now uses to communicate with children in the Middle East. His accomplishments are imaginative and dynamic, enriching so many lives along the way. We extend our congratulations to Al Miller, the Theater Project and the Young Peoples Theater on this important anniversary; (HLS 1359)

Delphin J. Beaumont, of Mattawamkeag. Mr. Beaumont was born in Quebec, and worked at Great Northern Paper Company for 35 years, retiring in 1979. He was a past grand knight and member of St. Peter's Council, Post 1936, Knights of Columbus. He was a snowmobiling enthusiast and a founding member of the East Branch Sno Rovers Club in the East Millinocket and Medway area. After his retirement, he and his beloved wife of 56 years, Genevieve, moved to Florida. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1360)

John and Virginia Dibiase, of Westbrook, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, October 25, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Dibiase and their children, Anthony, Deborah and Katherine, are lifelong residents of Westbrook. They have spent their lives giving back to other residents as active members of numerous civic and charitable organizations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1361)

Ron Forest, of Scarborough, on the occasion of his retirement from the Kiwanis Club. As a charter member, Mr. Forest's lasting contributions in developing the club, recruiting new members, establishing the Terrific Kids Program and starting the Key and Builder Clubs have aided the organization's continuing success. Mr. Forest held the position of Distinguished President and has received various marks of distinction, including the Hixon Fellowship award, the Ruby K recipient - level 30 and the Outstanding Lieutenant Governor, Distinguished Kiwanian, Lieutenant Governor 100% and International Leadership Awards. His leadership is also demonstrated by his more than 30 years as a successful small business owner. We extend our best wishes to him for a peaceful retirement; (HLS 1362)

the United States Armed Forces' dog handlers and the dogs that they trained and worked with over the years in service to our Nation. The handlers and the dogs have provided service to country in war and peace by securing installations at home and abroad, protecting our men and women in uniform and leading the way on missions of danger. These often-forgotten teams have earned much respect. Thousands of men and their dogs have served, many have died and, sadly, many dogs were sacrificed. For their efforts, we offer this token of respect and appreciation and our best wishes; (HLS 1363)

Charles and Gloria Jones, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 6, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1364)

Norman Gould, of Wilton, on his dedicated service to the Town of Wilton. Mr. Gould has served 37 years as selectman. He has also served on the Wilton Planning Board for 27 years. We acknowledge his commitment to his community and to the

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State of Maine and we extend our best wishes to him; (HLS 1365)

Tom Doak, of Wilton, who is the recipient of an award given by Maine Emergency Medical Services for his excellence in EMS. Mr. Doak is a full-time paramedic with CES ambulance in Livermore Falls and has been an emergency medical technician for more than 30 years. He has courageously faced and overcome extraordinary personal challenges as he worked to develop his professional skills to ensure that his community had the highest level of care. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Doak for his commitment to the citizens of his community and the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (HLS 1366)

Joseph Guarino, of Old Orchard Beach, of Boy Scout Troop #350, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Joseph on his accomplishment; (HLS 1367)

David Hewitt, of Old Orchard Beach, of Boy Scout Troop #350, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to David on his accomplishment; (HLS 1368)

Robert Descoteaux, of Old Orchard Beach, of Boy Scout Troop #350, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Robert on his accomplishment; (HLS 1369)

Donald J. Richards, of Yarmouth, who has received the Distinguished Service Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We send him our best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1370)

Ival "Bud" Cianchette, of Falmouth, who is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. Mr. Cianchette is past president of Bangor Historic Track, Inc., the investors group that operated Bangor Raceway. He is a past director of Fleet Bank. He has owned standardbreds since 1960 and he operated a breeding farm in Pittsfield from 1973 to 1990. Mr. Cianchette served on the Maine State Harness Racing Commission from 1970 to 1975 and as chair from 1973 to 1975. He has received many industry awards in the horse racing field and in 1990 was named Maine Business Leader of the Year by the Maine Chamber of Commerce and Industry. We acknowledge his contributions to harness racing and to the State of Maine; (HLS 1371)

Joe Price, of Glenburn, a member of Boy Scout Troop 1 in Brewer, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Joe and 10 volunteers renovated Manna Ministries' new drug rehabilitation residential center, painting walls and rebuilding beds and desks. We extend our congratulations to Joe on this achievement; (HLS 1372)

Steve Haines, of Phillips, on his being honored at Phillips Old Home Days for his dedicated service to his community beyond the call of duty. Steve has been road commissioner for 23 years and is a member of the Phillips Men's Club, the New Portland

Lions Club, the Maine State Pulling Association and the Narrow Gauge ATV Riders Club. He also helps with all events and celebrations in town. Steve and his wife Linda are the parents of 4 children and they have 9 grandchildren. We acknowledge his civic contributions to Phillips and we send him our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1373)

Karen Burke, of Gorham, on the occasion of her retirement after 38 years of teaching. She has been a teacher in MSAD #6 for 23 years and has 15 years' experience in the Gorham school system. Ms. Burke has helped many students over the years further their skills in reading and literacy. We acknowledge her many years of excellent dedicated service to her students and to her community, and we congratulate her on her retirement; (HLS 1374)

Shelby Hennelly, of Lebanon, and Bethany Patstone, of North Berwick, for their courageous rescue of two young girls on Wells Beach. Shelby, 13 years old, and Bethany, 14 years old, risked their lives to save the two girls, 8 and 9 years old, from drowning. While many people watched from the shore, Shelby and Bethany instinctively swam out and assisted the young girls while fighting a strong and dangerous riptide. We extend our appreciation to Shelby and Bethany for their courageous deed; (HLS 1375)

Bethany Patstone, of North Berwick, and Shelby Hennelly, of Lebanon, for their courageous rescue of two young girls on Wells Beach. Bethany, 14 years old, and Shelby, 13 years old, risked their lives to save the two girls, 8 and 9 years old, from drowning. While many people watched from the shore, Bethany and Shelby instinctively swam out and assisted the young girls while fighting a strong and dangerous riptide. We extend our appreciation to Bethany and Shelby for their courageous deed; (HLS 1376)

the 75th Anniversary of the Wawenock Golf Club in Walpole, on August 21, 2005. The Wawenock Country Club is a public course in Walpole. We extend our congratulations to the members of the community on the anniversary of the club; (HLS 1377)

the following members of the Americorps National Civilian Community Corps Fire 3, for their work in response to recommendations contained in the study "Youth Suicide in Midcoast Maine": Jessica Mendenhall, Chris Hall, Danielle Cohen, Hannah Schneider, Jose Manzanares, Kyle Jacobsen, Elizabeth Huber, Randa Speights, David Trexler, Dimitri Antonelis-Lapp, Kendra Knapp, Michael DeSart and Region Director Ken Bixler. The group, whose campus is located in Perry Point, Maryland, conducted interviews, focus groups and community workdays based on the study's findings, which were compiled by the Maine Bureau of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Americorps National Civilian Community Corps is part of a national network of service programs that help communities address important issues. We commend the members for their civic-mindedness and selflessness in serving the people of the Northeast; (HLS 1378)

Robert White, of Caribou, upon his induction into the Maine Sports Legends Hall of Honors. A physical education teacher for 25 years, Bob also taught health, biology and driver education and served as a teaching principal. Using his knowledge of athletics, Bob coached numerous sports, including cross-country, varsity boys' and girls' basketball and junior high school basketball and baseball. For 38 years, he was a charter member of the Northern Maine Board of Soccer Officials. In 2002, he retired as the Soccer Board Rules Interpreter and in 1997, after overseeing 1,300 soccer games, he ended his officiating career. His unprecedented involvement with the Caribou Little League entailed hundreds of volunteer hours in a 20-year period. In 1980, a new field was built and named the Robert P. White Little

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League Field. Bob's enthusiasm for his community and State has not gone unnoticed. He was the recipient of the National Intercollegiate Soccer Officials Association award, the Maine Recreation and Parks Association Citizen of the Year Award in 1983, the Caribou Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award in 1984, the Limestone School Department Award for 26 years of service in 1991 and the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Distinguished Service Award in 1998. We recognize the positive influence Bob has had on the lives of so many young people, and we congratulate him on his induction into the Maine Sports Legends Hall of Honors; (HLS 1379)

Mabel Swanson, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, August 29, 2005. Ms. Swanson is the oldest citizen of Winthrop and will be presented with the Boston Post Cane. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Swanson on this very special occasion; (HLS 1380)

Paul David Conlogue, of Presque Isle, veteran of World War II. Mr. Conlogue graduated from Ricker College and worked for many years as an investigator for Pine Tree Legal Assistance, Inc. and as the house manager for the VFW Hayward-Frazier Post in Presque Isle. He will greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving wife Emma, his family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1381)

Frances M. Cummings, of Millinocket, a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother. She was a former member of St. Benedict's parish and the Ladies Sodality. For the past 45 years, she was a communicant of St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church. She will be fondly remembered by all who knew her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1382)

David Cousins, of Standish, who has won a bronze medal at the 2005 World Games in Duisburg, Germany in Men's Field Compound Archery. We extend our congratulations to David on his achievement; (HLS 1383)

Ghislain "Gus" and Martine (Nadeau) Gauvin, of Fort Kent, on the special occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 8, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Gauvin on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1384)

Lybrand "Goldie" Goldsmith, of Wilton, on the special occasion of his 90th Birthday. Goldie is a United States Army veteran of World War II. He helped build Wilton's water system and was instrumental in two of the department's biggest projects, the update of the water main to town and the expansion and update of the water lines in the East Wilton area. Goldie is known for his dedication to the fire department, where he served as fire chief and was instrumental in getting the town ambulance service. He also was a Boy Scout leader and a Little League coach and has been active in the Wilton Congregational Church. We acknowledge Goldie's lifelong service to his community, State and Nation, and we send him our best wishes on his 90th Birthday; (HLS 1385)

Sergeant First Class Scott Victor Flanders, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the 6th Battalion, 27th Field Artillery stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Sergeant First Class Flanders who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant First Class Flanders home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1386)

Jonathan Wendell Chellise, of Berwick, a member of Boy Scout Troop #313, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend

our congratulations and best wishes to Jonathan on his accomplishment; (HLS 1387)

Mary Lucy Clark, of Bangor. Mrs. Clark was born in Millinocket and resided in Bangor after her marriage to Frederick Clark, who died in 1983. She had worked for W. T. Grant Company and Sylvania and was retired. Mrs. Clark was a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and she will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1388)

Charles J. Sickler, of Brownville Junction, whose death has saddened family and friends. Mr. Sickler worked for Great Northern Paper Company for 40 years. He was involved in his community and served as a selectman for the town of Brownville and on the Brownville Fire Department. He will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1389)

Mildred L. Garland, of Millinocket. Mrs. Garland was born in Canada and was the widow of C. Shirley Craig, to whom she was married for 50 years, and Leslie Garland, who passed away in 1984. She was a life member and Past Worthy Matron of Onawa Chapter #130, Order of the Eastern Star. She also was sergeant of the Millinocket Crossing Guards for many years and was important in the lives of many children. Mrs. Garland was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and she will be fondly remembered by all whose lives she touched; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1390)

Jacqueline H. Raymond, of Millinocket and Mountain Home, Idaho. She was a lifelong member and past regent of Little Flower Circle Daughters of Isabella. Mrs. Raymond was an active participant in the Cursillo movement and served on many teams and secretariats for this international Catholic movement, both in Maine and in Idaho. She was a member of the Third Order of Discalced Carmelites and the Mother Cabrini Sodality in Mountain Home. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving husband Edward, her family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1391)

Grace Rainey, of Wilton, on the special occasion of her 90th Birthday, August 15, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her birthday; (HLS 1392)

Marion Wing, of Phillips, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, September 10, 2005. Ms. Wing has been a volunteer at the library for over 20 years and has been very active with the Women's Shared Ministry at her church. We extend our best wishes to Ms. Wing on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1393)

Staff Sergeant Michael Balsamo, of Wilton, of the 7th United States Army Reserve Command, G1, who had been deployed from March 2003 to March 2004 to Kuwait as part of the 454th Replacement Company from Rhein-Maine Air Force Base in Germany, as support for Operation Iraqi Freedom. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his Nation and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1394)

Robert Kennedy, of New Vineyard, on his retirement as the New Vineyard Recycling Program attendant after 15 years of service to the town. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 1395)

Mid-Coast Maine Emergency Medical Service for 25 years of excellence in emergency medical service education. Mid-Coast Maine EMS serves Knox, Waldo and Lincoln counties. Mid-Coast Maine EMS trains, oversees licensing, provides crisis intervention and enforces Maine EMS rules. In 1980 Mid-Coast Maine EMS conducted its first educational weekend. The seminars, which began with only a few instructors and 25 people in attendance, have grown to entail 60 instructors, over 100

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classes and approximately 1,000 emergency medical technicians from Maine and other parts of New England. Paramedics from as far as away as Ireland have taken part in the seminars. We extend our appreciation to Mid-Coast Maine Emergency Medical Service for the thousands of hours it has invested to coordinate the seminars and acknowledge the positive educational and economic impact it has on the State; (HLS 1396)

Irene Thorndike, of Belfast, upon her retirement as Assistant City Clerk after 34 years working at City Hall. Ms. Thorndike is the longest serving employee of the City of Belfast. Her responsibilities were to record marriages, births and deaths and to help issue hunting, fishing and dog licenses. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Thorndike on her retirement and extend our best wishes in her future endeavors; (HLS 1397)

the following members of the Glenburn Junior League Softball Team, on winning the 2005 District III Championship: Sheree Rice, Megan Sherwood, Katherine Bragg, Sarah Hanson, Sam Bedore, Shelby Hogan, Megan Call, Kacy Thibodeau-Harvey, Casey Pray, Alexis Casey, Breianna Tocci, Kylie Thibodeau-Harvey; Coach Jason Tocci; and Assistant Coach Steve Pray. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1398)

Tim Millett, of Gorham, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 817, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to Tim on this accomplishment; (HLS 1399)

Richard E. Caton III, of Strong, the Chief of Police of the Farmington Police Department, on the 25th Anniversary of his service to the people of the Town of Farmington. Chief Caton joined the police department in 1980 as a patrolman. In 1989 he was promoted to Detective Sergeant in charge of criminal investigation along with his normal duties. In 1995, he was promoted to Lieutenant. In 1998, after a nationwide search, he was hired as the Chief of Police. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the community of Farmington and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this anniversary; (HLS 1400)

William Varney, of Bangor, who is a recipient of the Special Recognition Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Varney on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1401)

the Honorable Donald G. Marean, of Hollis, who is a recipient of the Special Recognition Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Marean on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1402)

Tom Dillon, of Anson, who is a recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Dillon on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1403)

Diann Perkins, of Cornish, who is a recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Perkins on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1404)

Walter Hight, of Skowhegan, who is a recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Hight on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1405)

Ronald Ralph, of Waldoboro, who is a recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the New England Harness Writers Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Ralph on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1406)

Burnette Bowker, of Fort Kent, a retired teacher and community leader, who is the recipient of the 2005 Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent's Alumni Association. Mrs. Bowker has a long and distinguished career in education and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Bowker on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1407)

Chad Marquis, of Fort Kent, who is earning a business management degree at the University of Maine at Fort Kent and who is the recipient of the Outstanding Future Alumni Award from the university's Alumni Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Marquis on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1408)

Kevin St. Jarre, a native of Madawaska, a former United States Army Intelligence Officer and successful author, who is the recipient of the 2005 Outstanding Young Alumni Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent's Alumni Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. St. Jarre on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1409)

Cassie Roix, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of her 99th Birthday, September 26, 2005. Mrs. Roix was born in Canada, and has lived in Presque Isle since the age of 11. She was married to Wallace Roix, who has passed away, for 50 years and they had 5 children. Mrs. Roix was a homemaker and took care of her children and grandchildren. She has moved to a handicapped-accessible apartment and lives independently, with some assistance from her family. She has 21 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 27 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on the celebration of her life; (HLS 1410)

Dr. Patrick Kieran of Kieran Chiropractic, P.A. in Livermore Falls as he hosts the 11th Annual Kids Day America/International on September 17, 2005. Kids Day focuses on health, safety and environmental awareness issues for children, families and local communities. The event will benefit area youth sports. We extend our best wishes to the community for their dedication to children; (HLS 1411)

The Pierce House, of Farmington, formerly The Farmington Home for the Aged, on its 100th Anniversary of incorporation. The original establishment of the home was due in large part to the work of Mrs. Henrietta B. Whittier Brown, who was one of the original founders and served as the first President of the home's Board of Trustees. In 1907, Mr. Charles Pierce, a prominent Farmington resident, sold his home to the Trustees of The Farmington Home for the Aged, and, in honor of this and Mr. Pierce's many other contributions to the community, the trustees named the residence "The Pierce House." We extend our congratulations and best wishes to The Pierce House on the occasion of its centennial celebration; (HLS 1412)

William Joseph Clark, of Howland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 64, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. For his service project, William renovated the stage area of Ammadamast Grange in Enfield. We commend him for his many dedicated hours of service to his community and extend our congratulations on his reaching this milestone and achieving this distinctive honor; (HLS 1413)

Michael Wilson, of Gray, who is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement in Farming in Maine Award, sponsored by the Libra Foundation and presented at the 2005 National Holstein Convention. Mr. Wilson, a second-generation farmer, purchased Spring Vale Farm in 1961. Over the years, he with his wife Marilyn and their 3 daughters worked the farm into the Wilsondale Farm. After almost 45 years of farming in Gray, Mr. Wilson has been acknowledged for his years of steady,

unwavering dedication to farming, breeding and the milk industry. His herd has contributed to the hormone-free milk supply of Oakhurst Dairy, and his breeding program of Registered Holsteins has brought international exposure to Wilsendale Farm, enticing visitors from around the globe. We extend our congratulations to him and his family on their achieving this distinction and well-deserved award and thank him for his contributions to the dairy breeding industry; (HLS 1414)

Landis Green, of Bangor, Head of School of John Bapst Memorial High School, who has been chosen to participate in the Klingenstein Visiting Fellows Program at Columbia University. As one of only 20 heads of independent schools worldwide selected for the two-week program, Mr. Green will participate in intensive study and reflection and will examine education issues and policies. Mr. Green has a proven reputation as a leader within the John Bapst community, having brought the school through Phase II of its strategic planning process. He has served 2 years as a summer faculty member of the National Association of Independent Schools' School Leadership Institute. He has initiated a series of ethics training through the Institute for Global Ethics for faculty, staff and students and has cosponsored the school's Civil Rights Team. We commend Mr. Green for his tremendous efforts and dedication to his profession and wish him continued success in the years to come; (HLS 1415)

Harold M. Boyer, of Millinocket, who was a veteran of World War II and a longtime employee of Great Northern Paper Company. Mr. Boyer served in the United States Navy and was stationed in China. He worked for Great Northern Paper for 27 years and was a former member of Oddfellows and the Northern Timber Cruisers snowmobile club. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1416)

the Town of Harrison on the occasion of its 200th anniversary of incorporation. Settled in 1792, the town was incorporated in 1805 from portions of Otisfield and Bridgton, and it set off land to form part of Naples in 1834. Located in the scenic foothills of the White Mountains, Harrison is the northernmost town in Cumberland County. Named after Harrison Gray Otis, it lies between Crooked River and Long Lake. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the good citizens of Harrison on their bicentennial celebration; (HLS 1417)

Jack Pelkey, of Medway, who will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving wife of 46 years, Linda, his family and his many friends. Mr. Pelkey loved carving in wood, and his work warmed the lives, homes and camps of people throughout the country; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1418)

Lorelee A. Crawford, of Millinocket, president of the Millinocket Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1419)

Katie Delong, of Presque Isle, who has set a new school record for soccer with her 38th career goal. Katie has led her team, the Lady Wildcats, in scoring for the 3 years she has played soccer. We extend our congratulations to Katie on this accomplishment and wish her luck in this year's season; (HLS 1420)

Second Class Petty Officer Gabriel J. Knight, of Buxton, for his 6 years of service with the United States Navy, primarily on the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz. We extend our appreciation to Second Class Petty Officer Knight for his commitment to his country; (HLS 1421)

Tess' Market, of Brunswick, on its 50th year of serving the greater Brunswick community. Owned by Hervey Tessier, now retired, the store sells wines of all kinds, sandwiches, pizza and

other convenience items. Now in the capable hands of his daughters, Phyllis Lamarre and Anne Tessier-Talbot, the store continues to cultivate a loyal clientele from Boston and throughout Maine. Mr. Tessier and his family exemplify the best of Maine's small businesses, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this anniversary; (HLS 1422)

Frank Knight, of Yarmouth, on the 80th anniversary of his high school graduation from North Yarmouth Academy. One of the oldest citizens of Yarmouth, Mr. Knight is still active in the Yarmouth and North Yarmouth Academy communities and is referred to by many as the "gentleman" of Yarmouth for his philanthropic and volunteer work. He is the highly respected official tree warden in town and has done much for the town and the school concerning their trees. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and we send him our best wishes on this remarkable anniversary; (HLS 1423)

Petty Officer Third Class Travis L. Donald, of Wilton, who has returned from active duty in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Petty Officer Donald who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Petty Officer Donald home to America and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1424)

Gary M. Downs, of Industry, on the occasion of his retirement as President of the Franklin Savings Bank. Mr. Downs, originally from Rumford, has worked for the Franklin Savings Bank for 31 years, the last 12 as president and chief executive officer. The bank is 137 years old and is the only locally owned bank in Franklin County. Under Mr. Downs' leadership, the bank has grown to \$290 million in assets and has earned the label "Strongest Bank in Maine" by Weiss Ratings, Inc. Mr. Downs has also been named "Entrepreneur of the Year" by the Farmington Rotary Club in 2005 and has served as president of the American Institute of Bankers, as well as serving on many other community organizations. We acknowledge his dedicated commitment to his profession and to his community, and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1425)

Francis R. and Barbara A. Hamilton Carroll, of Limerick, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, October 22, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll have 6 children and 16 grandchildren. They are the owners of F.R. Carroll, Inc. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1426)

Peter Reed, of Owl's Head, on the occasion of his retirement as Harbormaster of Owl's Head. Mr. Reed was appointed harbormaster in 1972 and became the first harbormaster elected in the State of Maine when it became an elected position in 1989. He has served the town of Owl's Head in various positions since 1948 and he has a long history of valuable fishing and boating experience. We acknowledge his exemplary service to his community, and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1427)

Gerald E. "Jerry" Wiles, of Wilton, on the occasion of his 70th birthday, October 15, 2005. He and his wife Roma have been married for 47 years. They have 2 children, 3 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion; (HLS 1428)

Joe Corriveau, 89, of Patten, for his many years of community service entertaining elderly shut-ins in Aroostook County. Mr. Corriveau, with his partner Verna MacArthur, has been volunteering his time since 1982, doing at least 5 musical shows a month in local nursing homes across the county and at the Houlton Regional Hospital. He has traveled more than 45,000

miles over the years, entertaining as far north as Eagle Lake, Frenchville, Madawaska and Caribou. For all the happiness he has brought others over the years, he feels he has gotten at least as much in return. We acknowledge his dedicated service to the people of his community and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1429)

Verna MacArthur, 86, of Island Falls, for her many years of community service entertaining elderly shut-ins in Arostook County. Mrs. MacArthur, with her partner Joe Corriveau, has been volunteering her time since 1982 doing at least 5 musical shows a month in local nursing homes across the county and at the Houlton Regional Hospital. She has traveled more than 45,000 miles over the years entertaining as far north as Eagle Lake, Frenchville, Madawaska and Caribou. For all the happiness she has brought others over the years, she feels she has gotten at least as much in return. We acknowledge Mrs. MacArthur's dedicated service to the people of her community and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1430)

Clifford and Maida Grass, of Mars Hill, on the occasion of their 65th Wedding Anniversary, October 17, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1431)

Virginia Millward Phillips, of Portland, beloved mother and grandmother, civic activist and faithful member of the Portland Friends Meeting. The daughter of William Bolton Millward, Sr., and Alberta Weymouth Millward, she was a graduate of Deering High School and Westbrook Junior College and continued lifelong learning at the University of Southern Maine. A Camp Fire Girl in her youth, she served as codirector of Camp Hitinowa in Litchfield, one of Maine's first Camp Fire Girl camps, and later Camp Ka-ya-ne for girls at Winslow Park in Freeport. Devoted to youth causes, she worked at the Chicago YWCA and as director of residence at the Portland YWCA. An expert seamstress, she worked at the Pride's Training School and crafted ballet costumes for the Dorothy Mason School of Dance. She was an event organizer for the Women's Literary Union and the Marston-Kotzchmar Club. She wrote the history of the Portland Friends Meeting and lived the Quaker principles of simplicity, dedication and civic participation all her life. Although a world traveler, she was fondest of family times on Maine's coast and inland lakes. She will be sadly missed by her family, many friends and the wide circle of people she reached through her devotion and generosity in Maine, her beloved "Pine Tree State"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1432)

Elvin S. "Bud" Winckler, Jr., of Portland and South Portland, actor, raconteur and lifelong advocate of the performing arts. Mr. Winckler was born in Portland, the son of Elvin S. Winckler, Sr., and Eleanor Corey Curtis. He was a graduate of Deering High School and the Caston Drama School. Enchanted by the theater from an early age, he studied dancing at the Three Arts Studio and the Dorothy Mason School of Dance. He performed professionally at the Columbia Hotel, the Saco House and Portland's Graymore Hotel during the cabaret era of the 1940s and 1950s. On stage his professional career included performing many summers at Greenwood Gardens on Peaks Island, with such actors as Rod Steiger and Maureen Stapleton, the Kennebunkport Playhouse and the Barnstormers Theater in Tamworth, New Hampshire, with many stars of the stage and screen, and performing at the Coconut Grove Theater in Florida. He shared his beautiful voice and enthusiasm with audiences as a performer, producer and director with the Portland Players and the Lyric Music Theater for many decades and in local commercials during the early years of television. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, his many theater friends and loyal

fans and the many young people he encouraged in the performing arts, believing, with Shakespeare, that "all the world's a stage"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1433)

Mark H. Sangster, of Scarborough, advertising executive, public-spirited citizen and animal protection activist. Mr. Sangster was born in Portland and was a graduate of Cape Elizabeth High School. He was a cum laude graduate of the University of Southern Maine. His advertising career extended over 25 years as manager and consultant for various firms and publications, including the Maine Times, Guy Gannett Publishing, Blethen Maine Newspapers, Inc. and Accent Home and Garden. Deeply concerned with the well-being of animals, he rescued Old English sheepdogs and proudly served 8 years as president of the board of directors of the Animal Refuge League, Westbrook, developing valuable adoption programs. As a professional breeder of purebred Maine coon cats, he was instrumental in winning designation of that rarebreed by the Legislature as Maine's official state cat in 1986. A student of Maine history, he cofounded William King Day, a statewide commemoration of the birthday of Maine's first governor. He served as past Master of the William King Masonic Lodge #219 in Scarborough. Believing that every citizen must do his part, he ran for the State Senate in 2000 and served as consultant for many campaigns for his beloved Republican Party. He will be sadly missed by his wife of 27 years, Hilary, his wide circle of friends and all those he knew him in the civic and business affairs of Maine, his beloved "Pine Tree State"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1434)

Strong Elementary School, which has been selected as a Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education. The school was nominated by the Maine Department of Education last year for its consistently high performances on the Maine Education Assessment tests. Schools applying for Blue Ribbon recognition must also be in the top 10 percent on state assessment scores in both reading and math and show good yearly progress. Strong Elementary School was ranked as the only school in Maine in which more than 50 percent of the students met the state standards in all 4 categories of reading, writing, math and science. We extend our congratulations to the staff and students of the Strong Elementary School on their receiving this distinguished recognition; (HLS 1435)

Autumn Proudlove, of West Enfield, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Autumn on this accomplishment; (HLS 1436)

Chief Petty Officer Rene' Catholine Tolan Wiesner, of Otis, on the occasion of her retirement from active duty with the United States Navy. Chief Wiesner joined the Navy in 1984. While serving on the U.S.S. Hunley, she authored the Standard Operating and Troubleshooting Procedures for the Snap I System, which were incorporated by SUBLANT and distributed throughout the Submarine Tender Fleet. She also authored the fleet-wide instructions for loading Ephemeris Data into the Naval Terminal Data Node, allowing fleet access to satellite communications. Chief Wiesner was one of the first former Data Processing Technicians to qualify as Chief Watch Officer at the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station in Guam. She is now the Recruiter in Charge at the Naval Recruiting Station in Bangor. Chief Wiesner has been the recipient of numerous awards during her career. We extend our appreciation to Chief Wiesner for her commitment to the military and send our best wishes for her future endeavors; (HLS 1437)

Julia McGuire, of Augusta, a student at the University of Maine, who has been named a 2005 Morris K. Udall Scholar. Ms. McGuire, who is also a University of Maine Presidential Scholar and a recipient of the Margaret Chase Smith Scholarship, is one of 81 scholars in the nation to receive this honor. The Morris K. Udall Scholarship is given to recognize a student's commitment to a career in the environment, health care or tribal public policy, leadership potential and academic achievement. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. McGuire on her achievements; (HLS 1438)

Brandon Steven Crouse, 18, of Brunswick, the beloved son of the Honorable Steven Crouse and Shelby (Schmersal) Crouse. He was a 2005 graduate of Brunswick High School and was a student at the University of Southern Maine. He was a creative and much-loved son, brother, cousin, uncle and grandson and a friend to many. He was a talented writer, music lover and sportsman. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by all whose lives he touched; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1439)

Augustine R. Grassi, of Portland, beloved friend, family man and concerned community activist. A proud Portland native, he was the son of Gregory and Lucia Pecoraro Grassi. He attended Portland schools and was a lifelong member of the Bricklayers Union, building many structures with his own hands in the original Maine Mall in South Portland, at Bowdoin College in Brunswick and scores of industrial and residential structures still standing in Greater Portland. A veteran of the Korean War, he was a member of the AmVets. A communicant of Sacred Heart Church in the Parkside neighborhood in Portland, he was a cofounder of the Parkside Neighborhood Association and an anchor of its efforts to improve the life and safety of Sherman Street, his longtime home. Always cheerful, patient and sharing of life's blessings, he will be deeply missed by his devoted wife and children, large family and many grandchildren and the wide circle of friends touched by his kind nature and generous spirit in Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1440)

District 19 of the United States Power Squadrons, on the special occasion of its 50th Anniversary of providing boating safety through education. United States Power Squadrons is a national nonprofit organization that teaches boating safety and provides free vessel safety checks to the boating public. District 19 includes Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. We acknowledge the valuable service that this organization provides to Northern New England and send our congratulations on this anniversary; (HLS 1441)

Ralph Lurvey Colby, of South Thomaston, on the occasion of his 90th Birthday, September 15, 2005. He is the son of the late William W. and Dora (Lurvey) Colby. Some of Ralph's earlier occupations included serving as an able-bodied seaman and, in 1932, as a deckhand on the steamer J.T. Morse, the last side-wheeler to operate on Penobscot Bay. Following his service with the merchant marine, Mr. Colby returned home to learn the trade of lobsterman. He continues to stay active on the water, having recently taken up the sport of kayaking. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Colby on his 90th birthday; (HLS 1442)

Grace Bellows, of Fairfield, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, November 15, 2005. Mrs. Bellows holds the Boston Post Cane as the oldest resident of Fairfield and still remains active, enjoying gardening and enjoying life in her community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Bellows on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1443)

Robert M. Bouchard, of Millinocket, who worked for Great Northern Paper Company for 32 years. Mr. Bouchard served in

the United States Navy from 1950 to 1954. He retired from the paper company as a millwright in 1995. He was a lifelong member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge No. 1521, a member of Carpenters and Joiners Local No. 658 and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1444)

Madeline Tardy, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement from Key Bank after twenty six and a half years of faithful service. We extend our congratulations to her and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 1445)

the Helena H. Dyer Elementary School, in South Portland. The school first opened its doors on September 5, 1972. On September 6, 2005, a newly renovated Dyer Elementary School opened, representing the final piece in a community-supported renovation plan for South Portland's elementary schools. Dyer Elementary School exemplifies the finest tradition and heritage of neighborhood schools with a climate of rigorous academic expectations and a strong culture of parent and community involvement. Staff, students, parents and administrators work together in a partnership that fulfills the South Portland School Department's mission of "Enriching Lives through Quality Learning for All;"; (HLS 1446)

the Portland Players, the State's oldest community theater, on the occasion of its 75th anniversary. The theater was founded in 1931 as the Portland Dramatic Guild. The theater has produced hundreds of plays and musicals and is known for the high quality and range of its shows as well as the professionalism of its actors, directors and production people. The theater is a cultural centerpiece in the region and is rooted firmly in the community theater tradition, engaging local amateur and professional actors and singers and relying on the strength of the people in the community. The Portland Players continues to be an asset and gift to the community. We extend our appreciation to the Portland Players for its commitment in presenting quality theater to the citizens of Maine and congratulate it on its 75th anniversary; (HLS 1447)

Chrystal Welch, of Wilton, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, November 3, 2005. Mrs. Welch has been married to her husband Alton for 68 years. They have 3 sons and 19 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Welch on this special occasion; (HLS 1448)

Alton Welch, of Wilton, on the occasion of his 90th birthday, April 17, 2005. Mr. Welch has been married to his wife Chrystal for 68 years. They have 3 sons and 19 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Welch on this special occasion; (HLS 1449)

the Dance Connection, in Fairfield, and its Director Jodi Ireland, who will represent the State of Maine at Dance Excellence, an international dance event held in Los Angeles, California on April 8-15, 2006. Directors and dance schools from each state, Ireland, Northern Ireland, England, Australia, Scotland, Gibraltar, Spain, Germany, Singapore and Canada have been selected to represent their areas in workshops, classes and performances. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ireland, and we send her our best wishes as she and the Dance Connection represent the State of Maine at this event; (HLS 1450)

Phillip and Jeanne Whittemore, residents of 98 Main Street in Norway, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Whittemore were married by the Reverend Albert N. Smith in the West Paris Universalist Church on June 19, 1955. Mr. Whittemore owned and operated Whittemore's Auto Body Shop for 20 years, and Mrs. Whittemore worked at Sanborn's

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Motor Express and Ed Thayer Trucking for a total of 32 years. We extend our congratulations to them on this Golden Anniversary and send our best wishes on their future happiness; (HLS 1451)

Corporal Adam Babin, of North Yarmouth. Corporal Babin is a member of the United States Marine Corps, serving in Bravo Company of the 4th Combat Engineer Battalion out of Roanoke, Virginia. Corporal Babin has spent 9 months in Iraq in Front Communication Radio capacity. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Corporal Babin who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this Nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1452)

Barbara Ekemsky Hikel, of Orono, wife, mother, grandmother, community leader and longtime employee of the University of Maine. Mrs. Hikel was born in Augusta and graduated from Cony High School and Gates Business School. She was married to Rudolph Hikel and she was active in many community activities, including the School Board, SIECUS and the Girl Scouts, while raising 6 children. In 1981, she went to work for the University of Maine, where she served in diverse positions, most notably as financial manager of Research and Graduate Studies, until her retirement in 2000. Mrs. Hikel was devoted to her family and to her friends and promoted the status of women. She was also dedicated to the students, staff, faculty and administration and had a passion for improving the lives of everyone in the university community. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving husband Rudolph, her family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1453)

Caleb Schmidt, of Winslow, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 446 in Albion, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Caleb on this accomplishment; (HLS 1454)

Linda Wilcox, of Monmouth, on the occasion of her retirement as the Executive Director of the Family Violence Project. Having spent most of her professional life working on behalf of women, children and families, Ms. Wilcox has worked in the field of domestic violence prevention for 12 years and has served as the Executive Director of the Family Violence Project for 9 years. We acknowledge Ms. Wilcox's commitment, dedication, skill and perseverance in service to this noble cause and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 1455)

Lisa J. Goodwin, resident of and Town Clerk for the Town of Lincoln, who is the recipient of the 2005 Municipal Clerk of the Year Award, the highest honor bestowed upon a municipal clerk by the Maine Town and City Clerks Association. This award is presented annually to a municipal clerk nominated by the municipal clerk's peers and recognized for excellence, leadership and integrity in contributions to the community and the profession of municipal clerks. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Goodwin on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1456)

Dr. Ronald Davis, of Orono, retired Professor of Biology and Quaternary Studies at the University of Maine, on his work in bringing the University of Maine, the City of Bangor and the Orono Land Trust together for the Orono Bog Boardwalk Project. Opened in June 2003, the boardwalk has since received nearly 50,000 public visits. It was Dr. Davis' idea to have a facility that would help to support educational programs that build appreciation for local natural history and public understanding about wetland ecology and the value of bogs. He has worked tirelessly and volunteered full-time for several years on this

project. He served as the Orono Bog Boardwalk's first director and provided leadership in all of its phases. He also organized a dedicated group of volunteers that helped to build over 500 sections that make up the one-mile boardwalk. We acknowledge Dr. Davis' dedicated commitment to this project and his service to his community and we extend our congratulations to him on the success of the Orono Bog Boardwalk Project; (HLS 1457)

Maxine McLaughlin, who had been a lifelong resident of Millinocket. Mrs. McLaughlin worked at the Millinocket Public Library and had been a member of the First Congregational Church. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1458)

Jonathan Guerrette, of Wells, a member of Boy Scout Troop #356, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jonathan on his accomplishment; (HLS 1459)

Jonathan Daniel Simon Dunne, of Wilton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 518, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this accomplishment; (HLS 1460)

Robert Wallack, of Mt. Vernon, former publisher of the Franklin Journal, who placed First in the opinion page category of the annual Better Newspaper Contest for an editorial arguing against the proposed ban on bear baiting written for the recent statewide referendum. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievement; (HLS 1461)

Shannon Smith, of Wilton, on her nomination in the category of Outstanding Main Street Volunteer of the 2005 Maine Downtown Achievement Awards. As the volunteer leader of the Wilton Blueberry Festival, she has created one of the most spectacular events in the State, drawing thousands of individuals from throughout the country. The festival features a 2-hour parade, a fireworks show, over 50 events, 110 crafters and vendors, a children's race and a 10K race attended by over 200 people. In addition to the Blueberry Festival, Ms. Smith was successful in getting the the Vietnam Moving Wall, the 9-11 Rolling Memorial and the 195th Army National Guard Band to come to Wilton. Despite a severe health problem this year, she volunteered over 2,000 hours on the Vietnam Moving Wall alone, and another 2,000 hours at least on the festival. We acknowledge her dedicated and heartfelt service to her community and we salute her for her extraordinary ability to give of herself for the benefit of others; (HLS 1462)

Bobbie Hanstein, of Farmington, editor of the Franklin Journal, who placed First in the opinion page category in the annual Better Newspaper Contest for an editorial written in favor of a proposed ban on bear baiting for the recent statewide referendum. Ms. Hanstein and production manager Michael Leary also shared Second Place in the design illustration category. In addition, she placed Second in the analysis category. She also received Third Place and an Honorable Mention for feature stories she wrote. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her achievements; (HLS 1463)

Michael Leary, of Wilton, production manager for the Franklin Journal, who placed Second in the design illustration category of the annual Better Newspaper Contest along with editor Bobbie



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Hanstein. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievement; (HLS 1464)

the Franklin Journal and its publisher David Gustafson for being honored by the Maine Press Association with awards in the annual Better Newspaper Contest. The newspaper was chosen from among thousands of individual entries from newspapers across the State and received First Place for its opinion page and a feature profile. In addition, it received awards in the design illustration, analysis and feature story categories. It also received an award for a columnist's report from Iraq. We extend our congratulations to the publisher and employees of the Franklin Journal on their being recognized for excellence; (HLS 1465)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert MacKenzie, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 27, 2005. They have one son and 3 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 1466)

Jill Berry Bowen, of Avon, who is the recipient of the annual Health Leadership Award given by the Franklin Community Health Network. Ms. Bowen was the Chief Operating Officer for Franklin Memorial Hospital for 9 years. She was recognized for her exemplary leadership and countless hours of community service. She is active in the Rotary Club and was instrumental in creating the "Zone" youth center in her hometown of Phillips. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bowen on her receiving this award and extend our appreciation to her for her commitment to the citizens and youth of the State; (HLS 1467)

Howard L. and Franka Dalley Bickford, of Wilton, on the occasion of their 52nd Wedding Anniversary, July 17, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Bickford have 4 children and 9 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 1468)

Howard L. Bickford, of Wilton, on the occasion of his 70th birthday, January 3, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion; (HLS 1469)

Raymond Parent, of Sanford, who has been named Maine's Fire Chief of the Year by the Maine Fire Chiefs' Association. Chief Parent has been a firefighter since the 1960s and assumed his duties as Sanford's fire chief in 1996. The leadership abilities and experience possessed by Chief Parent have enabled him to faithfully fulfill his duties as the head of the Maine Fire Chiefs' Association's Board of Directors. His community witnessed his comprehensive managerial skills during the time that he served as interim town manager. We extend our congratulations to Chief Parent upon his being acknowledged for his dutiful service and extend our appreciation to him for his years of commitment to the safety of Maine's citizens; (HLS 1470)

Armand A. "Sal" Gaetani, of East Millinocket. Mr. Gaetani served in the United States Army Air Force during World War II and was stationed in Guam and Hawaii. He retired from Great Northern Paper Company after 40 years. He was an avid woodworker, hunter and fisherman. He enjoyed fly tying, basket weaving and caning, traveling and cooking. Sal will be missed by his longtime companion Charlene Taylor, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1471)

the Reverend Doctor Lance B. Almeida, of Millinocket, beloved husband of Alison. Father Lance was ordained on October 12, 1985 and received his doctor of ministry from Bangor Theological Seminary in 1997. He was elected to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Maine and later served as its president. Father Lance was rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for 154 years. He was a chaplain at Millinocket Regional Hospital, a member of the hospital's Public Information Committee, a member of the Drug and Alcohol Team at Stearns

High School and a member of the Katahdin Area Coalition. He was a hospice volunteer, enjoyed being an AARP tax preparer and played golf, bridge and tennis. Father Lance will be missed by his family, friends and parishioners; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1472)

Verna Coady, of Greene, on the special occasion of her 100th Birthday, October 26, 2005. Born on the River Road in Greene, her early education was completed at the Mountain School and she was a 1924 graduate of Monmouth Academy. Mrs. Coady and her late husband John began their family in Lewiston and later moved to the Boothbay area, where they raised their 4 children, John, Bernard, Robert and Mary. In the late 1970s, she returned to Greene at the family homestead. She is known to all as an excellent cook and enjoys having her many family members to dinner. She has 12 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, 7 great-great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. We extend our congratulations on the Centennial celebration of her life and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1473)

Brian Giddinge, of Gray, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 86, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to him on this accomplishment; (HLS 1474)

Martin and Becky Lane, and Michael Lane, owners and operators of Shady Lane Farm, of New Vineyard, on winning the Best Overall Dairy Cow for 2005 and the Grand Champion Milking Shorthorn at the Fryeburg Fair with their cow, Shady Lane Nicki. The Lane family has won awards at fairs throughout New England, the Midwest and Canada. They have also been chosen by Public Broadcasting Service to be part of a documentary, "Standard of Perfection," about the life of a farm family getting ready for cattle shows. Not only do the Lanes run a 200-acre dairy farm, but they also raise cows, turkeys, pigs, lambs and chickens. They give to the community in many ways, including taking a traveling petting zoo to schools and nursing homes and participating in Open Farm Day in July and Maple Sunday in March. Shady Lane Farm exemplifies the best in Maine farming, and we extend our congratulations to the Lane family on its remarkable achievements; (HLS 1475)

Hanington Bros., Inc., and President Steve Hanington, of Macwahoc Plantation, selected by Timber Harvesting Magazine as its 2005 Logging Business of the Year at the 11th annual meeting of the American Loggers Council in Ocean Shores, Washington. Hanington Bros., Inc. is the first New England business and the 8th in the nation to receive this distinguished award. As owner and president of this multigeneration family business, Mr. Hanington has served his profession through leadership roles in state and national trade associations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Hanington and the employees of Hanington Bros., Inc. on their receiving this prestigious award; (HLS 1476)

Carl and Patricia Crawford, of Houlton, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They were married at the Methodist Church in Houlton on October 22, 1955 by the Reverend Harold Rowley. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1477)

Irvin "Buzz" Caverly, of East Corinth and Baxter State Park, upon the honored occasion of his retirement after 46 years of service to the people of Maine as ranger, director and steward of the public treasure that is Mt. Katahdin and the 204,733 acres of Baxter State Park. A native of Cornville, he joined the park staff upon his graduation from Lee Academy in 1959. Proudly serving

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as a ranger in the park's remote regions, he rose to the post of director in 1981. We salute the diligence, dedication and devotion to duty shown in his 24 years as director, encountering forest fires, insect infestation, natural disaster and the rising tide of the world's visitors drawn to the wilderness values so symbolic of the State of Maine. As the last park director to personally share the friendship and guidance of Governor Percival P. Baxter, his steadfastness, stewardship and sense of mission have carried Baxter State Park safely and surely into the new 21st century. We wish Irvin "Buzz" Caverly many bright sunrises, fine fishing and happy trails that lead always heart-ward to Katahdin, "the Mountain of the People of Maine"; (HLS 1478)

Merrill Bank, of Bangor, which was honored by the United States Small Business Administration as the agency's top lender in Maine. Merrill Bank has distinguished itself by the quantity of guaranteed, Small Business Administration-backed 7(a) loans that it has given to Maine businesses during the past year, making it easier for small businesses to secure financing. During the 2005 fiscal year, Merrill Bank granted more 7(a) loans than any other bank in Maine, it loaned more money through 7(a) loans than any other bank in Maine and gave more 7(a) loans to veterans than any other bank in Maine. In this specific program, the bank has loaned more than \$50 million in the past year, securing approximately 1,500 jobs in Penobscot County. We commend Merrill Bank for its extraordinary efforts and we send our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1479)

John George Bouchles, of Auburn, upon his retirement as assistant principal of Lewiston High School. Beginning his work in 1979, Mr. Bouchles' career was both comprehensive and filled with a number of meritorious accomplishments. In 1997, he attended Harvard University to enhance his knowledge of curriculum instruction and assessment. The Lewiston School Committee, faculty and staff have grasped the importance of student-focused learning because of the emphasis Mr. Bouchles has placed on having teachers and coaches as mentors for student learning, while encouraging more teacher leadership in curriculum changes. Having chaired most of the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges Accreditation Teams, Mr. Bouchles' skills and abilities were made evident by their positive results. In addition, the school's National Honor Society reaped great benefit from him, as his lasting contributions gave students a strong role model from which to base their own hopes of success. We thank him for his many years of service to the students of Lewiston High School and we extend our congratulations to him on his retirement; (HLS 1480)

Freeland and Sally Jones, of Veazie, for their contributions as Troop Greeters in Bangor, Maine. Mr. Jones, a veteran of World War II, and Mrs. Jones have attended to many members of the United States Armed Forces who have passed through the Bangor International Airport on their way to and from deployment and harm's way. We send Mr. and Mrs. Jones our appreciation for their generous efforts to comfort the troops and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1481)

Graves' Supermarket, of Presque Isle, on its being named 2005 Grocer of the Year by the Maine Grocers Association at the 70th annual fall conference. Graves' Supermarket was founded in 1935 in Mars Hill by William Graves and his 4 sons. It had one store in Presque Isle, and after 1995 other stores opened outside of Aroostook County in Dover-Foxcroft, Bar Harbor, Camden and Hampden. Today there are 376 associates employed by Graves' Supermarket, and estimated sales exceed \$58 million. We congratulate Graves' Supermarket and the dedicated employees on their being named Grocer of the Year; (HLS 1482)

Lona Bedard, of Norway, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, September 21, 2005. Mrs. Bedard and her husband, Emile, raised 3 daughters. They have 9 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. She worked in the local shoe shops. Music has always been a part of her life. She has played the accordion, keyboard and piano. She stays active entertaining folks at nursing homes with her musical talent. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1483)

the Honorable Julie Ann O'Brien, of Augusta, on her retirement as Executive Director of the Children's Discovery Museum after nearly 25 years of dedicated service. Julie has given to her community in many ways. She served in the Maine House of Representatives for 8 years and has worked tirelessly on behalf of children and those less fortunate. She and her husband Mark have raised 5 children. We extend our appreciation to Julie for her commitment to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1484)

Bob Hastings, of Rockport, Chief Executive Officer of the Rockland-Thomaston Area Chamber of Commerce and Rockland's Back Cove Yachts, on his being named Chamber Executive of the Year by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. The award recognizes a local chamber executive's hard work and dedication, determined by a statement of achievements detailing noteworthy efforts, such as economic development initiatives, successful events and an improved bottom line. Mr. Hastings' name was put forward for consideration by an impressive listing of peers from other area chambers of commerce. His work ethic, commitment, skill, vision and talent enabled projects such as the design and building of the new Lighthouse Museum and Chamber of Commerce office. His achievements in the economic development of the region have set a new benchmark for future progress. We salute Mr. Hastings for the positive impact he has had on the commercial development of the Rockland-Thomaston region and we send him our best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1485)

Lieutenant Colonel Glenn Kapiloff, of Farmington, who has returned home from active duty in Iraq with the United States Army Reserve, 12th Battalion. Lieutenant Colonel Kapiloff is director of the Foster Regional Applied Technology Center and has been on active duty for the past year helping to train officers of the Iraqi military. He e-mailed very interesting, well-written and personal articles to the Franklin Journal nearly every week to let the people of Franklin County know about the conditions in Iraq, bringing the details of the conflict and culture home. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming him home and in extending him our appreciation for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1486)

Matthew L. Stevens, of Albion, a member of Boy Scout Troop #446, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew on his accomplishment; (HLS 1487)

Leland and Evelyn McLaughlin Suttler, of Medway and Westbrook, on the renewal of their marriage vows on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 4, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1488)

Lewellyn and Bernadette Morneault, of Fort Kent, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 8, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special occasion; (HLS 1489)

Dakotta Flint, of Ashland, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 141, who has received the Girl Silver Scout Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Dakotta on this accomplishment; (HLS 1490)

Sara Morton, of Ashland, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 141, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Sara on this accomplishment; (HLS 1491)

Miranda Donovan, of Masardis, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 141, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Miranda on this accomplishment; (HLS 1492)

Britany Soucier, of Ashland, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 141, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Britany on this accomplishment; (HLS 1493)

Shannon Bowring, of Ashland, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 141, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Shannon on this accomplishment; (HLS 1494)

the Reverend Mr. Daniel J. Delargy, of St. Margaret's Church in Old Orchard Beach, on the occasion of his retirement as Deacon of the church. Affectionately known as "Deacon Dan," he has faithfully served the parish with dedication. We extend our congratulations to him and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1495)

the Old Orchard Beach High School marching band and color guard, on their receiving a gold medal at the 22nd annual Maine Band Directors' Association marching band finals. High school marching bands from 14 schools from Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts attended this event. We extend our congratulations to marching band director Mark Manduca and assistant marching band director George Shaybo and all the members of the band and color guard on this remarkable accomplishment, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (HLS 1496)

Donald K. Brawn, of Newport, retired Chief of the Newport Fire Department. Mr. Brawn worked for the Town of Newport Highway Department, and at Dexter Shoe Company as a hand sewer for several years. He was hired by Maine Water Company in Newport and became the superintendent of the Newport Water District when it was purchased by the district, and retired in 1997 after 20 years of service. He was a member of the Newport Fire Department for more than 30 years and served as the chief of the department for 25 years, retiring as honorary chief. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and his State. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1497)

Pastor James Flye and his wife Arlene, of the United Baptist Church of Island Falls, on the occasion of his retirement after 19 years of dedicated service to the church and to the community. Pastor Jim, capably assisted by his wife, Arlene, has provided excellent spiritual leadership for his congregation. They are leaving the Island Falls area and making a new home in Franklin

to be near their daughter and her family. They will be greatly missed by their Island Falls congregation. We extend our congratulations to Pastor Jim and Arlene on his retirement and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1498)

Deborah Smith, of Weld, for her exemplary work for more than 23 years as a Volunteer on the Board of Directors for LEAP, Inc., an organization that supports and serves people with developmental disabilities and mental retardation. She has been a constant presence in the organization in times of development, growth and change. We send her our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 1499)

Roslyn Kerr, of Farmington, for her exemplary work for more than 22 years as a Volunteer on the Board of Directors for LEAP, Inc., an organization that supports and serves people with developmental disabilities and mental retardation. She has been a constant presence in the organization in times of development, growth and change. We send her our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 1500)

Marjorie Taylor, of Farmington, for her exemplary work for over 22 years as a devoted member of the staff of LEAP, Inc., an organization that supports and serves people with developmental disabilities and mental retardation. She has worked a wide variety of positions within the organization and has provided outstanding service. We send her our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 1501)

Kathleen Cordes, of Strong, for her exemplary work for over 23 years as a leading member of the staff and manager for LEAP, Inc., an organization that supports and serves people with developmental disabilities and mental retardation. She has been instrumental in the development and growth of virtually every service LEAP, Inc., provides. We send her our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 1502)

LEAP, Inc., of Farmington, on the 25th Anniversary of its helping people with developmental disabilities in Farmington, Wilton, Chesterville, Strong, New Vineyard, Jay, Rumford, Turner and Minot. LEAP, Inc., which stands for Life Enrichment Advancing People, formerly the Western Maine Association for Retarded People, is a nonprofit organization devoted to supporting people with developmental disabilities and mental retardation to be actively involved in their communities. We extend our congratulations to this organization and we send our appreciation for the valuable work it does for the people of the State of Maine; (HLS 1503)

Aaron Wiggin, of Jay, a member of Boy Scout Troop #199, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Aaron on his accomplishment; (HLS 1504)

Robert D. O'Donnell, formerly of Van Buren and now living in New Jersey, for his immense generosity and kindness in contributing the largest gift ever received by Husson College in Bangor. Born and raised in Van Buren, Mr. O'Donnell obtained his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Husson College and served as Husson College's director of financial aid and then as chief financial officer of Bangor Theological Seminary before beginning his career in banking. Over the years, he has donated large gifts to Husson College and has served on its Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee of the board. He was honored as the commencement speaker in 2005. The new Robert D. O'Donnell Commons is the largest construction project at the college since the campus was built in the 1960s. It is home to the School of Health, the School of Education and the

Student Service Center. It will serve as a meeting place for students and the Husson College community, and is considered the portal to the academic and student world of the college. We acknowledge Mr. O'Donnell's generous contribution to education in the State of Maine and we send him our appreciation and best wishes for his extraordinary gift to his alma mater; (HLS 1505)

the Old Orchard Beach Police Department, which is the recipient of the Trojanowicz Award for its commitment to excellence in community policing and partnership development in Old Orchard Beach. We extend our congratulations to the dedicated members of the Old Orchard Beach Police Department on its receiving this prestigious award and thank them for their exemplary work; (HLS 1506)

the Lewiston Public Library on its Grand Opening of the Marsden Hartley Cultural Center. The Hartley Center, named after the world-famous artist and Lewiston native, will serve Lewiston well in providing a public common area to bring the citizens of that great city together. It will also allow the Lewiston Public Library to advance to the next level of service, connecting books, technology, history, the arts and the community in many exciting and innovative ways. We join the citizens of the State of Maine in congratulating the library staff, the Board of Library Trustees, the Friends of the Lewiston Public Library and the City of Lewiston on the Grand Opening of the Marsden Hartley Cultural Center and on this exemplary accomplishment; (HLS 1507)

Peter Thomas Christensen, of Bangor, a member of Boy Scout Troop #8, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Peter on his accomplishment; (HLS 1508)

the following members of the Central High School Girls Field Hockey Team, upon their winning the 2005 Class C State Championship: players Chantel Randall, Caitlin Elliott, Hilary Haney, Traci Underhill, Rachel Trafton, Beth Dauphinee, Courtney Hersey, Brooke Washburn, MacKenzie Davis, Aliza Underhill, Whitney Tilton, Allie Hafford, Cristy Gray, Kristi Rouse, Nicole Grindle, Lindsey Blackwell, Whitney Lord, Maddie Dunakin, Justine Portmann, Molly Underhill and Kara Voisine; Head Coach Diane Rollins; Assistant Coach Durice Washburn; Manager Jamy Harvey; and Athletic Director Harold Williams. The Central Red Devils last won a state title in 1983, and the MSAD #64 school made its first appearance in the State Championships since 1984. We extend our congratulations to the team on its winning the State Championship and we send them our best wishes for successful years to come; (HLS 1509)

the following members of the Greenville High School Girls Varsity Soccer Team, upon their winning the 2005 Class D Western Division Championship: players Danielle Anderson, Beth Bartley, Ariel Cantara, Kahla Lander, Darla Larsen, Martha Richardson, Hannah Breton, Tasha Elsemore, Olivia Walden, Brittany Boucher, Lauren Fling, Alisha Gilbert, Rebecca Martel, Addie Pelletier and Kaitlin Harmon and Coach Dan Menard. We extend our congratulations to them on this accomplishment and we wish them continued success in the years to come; (HLS 1510)

Deanna Rix, of South Berwick, upon being named the 2005 ASICS Girls Wrestler of the Year. With nearly 14 years of wrestling experience, Ms. Rix pioneered high school wrestling for girls in Maine. Known as a defensive wrestler competing against males, Ms. Rix achieved many milestones during her career at Marshwood High School. During her final season of high school

wrestling, she celebrated 100 wins. Ms. Rix became the first female interscholastic wrestler in the State to achieve this record. She went on to place second at the Maine State High School Championships as a senior, competing against boys. She attained the highest placement ever for a girl competing in a boys state high school meet. Her career accomplishments continued as she won a third ASICS/Vaughan Women's Junior National Championship and was named Outstanding Wrestler in that tournament in Fargo, North Dakota. She also was named TheMat.com Wrestler of the Week in July, 2005. We acknowledge Ms. Rix's distinguished wrestling career and we send her our congratulations on her accomplishments. We extend our best wishes to her on her continued success as a member of the USOEC Women's Wrestling University Resident program at Northern Michigan University; (HLS 1511)

the memory of the late Joseph C. Fogarty, of New Vineyard, of Franklin Machine, who was posthumously inducted into the Maine Metal Products Association Hall of Fame. He was among the first group of inductees into the Hall of Fame to be honored for their dedication and commitment to the Maine metal products industry; (HLS 1512)

Paul Snowman, of East Millinocket, who will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1513)

Ashley Austin, of Brewer, a member of Abnaki Girl Scout Council Troop #432, who has attained the high honor of the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting, given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send Ashley our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1514)

Sarah Hodgins, of Brewer, a member of Abnaki Girl Scout Council Troop #432, who has attained the high honor of the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting, given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send Sarah our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1515)

Sarah Taylor, of Eddington, a member of Abnaki Girl Scout Council Troop #432, who has attained the high honor of the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting, given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send Sarah our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1516)

Andrew Legassie, of Presque Isle, who has been named an All-American Scholar At-Large Award Winner by the United States Achievement Academy. This honor is based on a student's grade point average, student achievements and a well-balanced schedule of academics and extracurricular activities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on his receiving this award; (HLS 1517)

the following members of the Rockland Rotary Club, who, in association with Rotary International and Habitat for Humanity, went to Sri Lanka and helped build homes in that nation, which was badly damaged by the recent tsunami: Pat Hembrough, Laura Zylstra, Carolee Geel, Charles Jones, Steven Pearl, Patrick Provost, Heidi Vanorse, Michael McNeil, Blaine Curtis, Rebecca Gamage and Camden Rotary Club member Stephanie Goodman. We commend the good members of the Rotary for their exemplary dedication to helping others and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1518)

Victoria Duprey Laferriere, of Eagle Lake, on the occasion of her 104th Birthday, December 18, 2005. Born in Sheridan, she

was the oldest of 21 children. She married Adelard Laferriere 86 years ago and together they raised 11 children. She has 26 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren. After Mr. Laferriere passed away, Mrs. Laferriere moved to Connecticut to work, and upon retiring moved to Florida where she lived for several years. She moved back to Eagle Lake in the 1990s. We extend our congratulations to her on her 104th birthday and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1519)

Cecil Hafford, Sr., of Fort Kent, a veteran of the Korean War who served 2 tours of duty. He was a lifetime member of the VFW Post of Fort Kent and the American Legion and was an avid hunter and fisherman. He worked as a park ranger on the Allagash Waterway for several years and worked most of his life as a logger. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife of 51 years, Jonah, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1520)

Esther Pettengill, of Gorham, on the occasion of her 91st birthday. Ms. Pettengill lived in Island Falls for most of her life and retired after many years as a bookkeeper for the Milliken Memorial Hospital. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Pettengill on this special occasion; (HLS 1521)

Thomas B. Esson, of Wells, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 356, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Thomas on this accomplishment; (HLS 1522)

the following members of the Scarborough High School Boys Cross-country Team, winners of the 2005 State Class A Cross-country Championship: Chris Harmon, Taylor Burns, Travis Griffin, Ethan McElwain, Kyle Neelon, Ben Talbot, Ben Violette, Eddie Manning, Scott Duncan, Tyler Nelson, Rob Fritz, Kevin Ledue, Brecht Moulin, Henry Prosack, Sam Andrews, Sam Chick, Craig Robinson, Jay Vachon and Coach Jim Harmon. Placing 4 runners in the top 10 and 5 in the top 25, the Red Storm secured the low score of 48 points. Under the stewardship of Coach Jim Harmon, the team valiantly overcame stiff pressure from the championship expectations placed upon them and reached their objective. We extend our congratulations to this group of skilled athletes and wish them well in their future endeavors; (HLS 1523)

the following members of the Scarborough High School Boys Soccer Team, winners of the 2005 State Class A Soccer Championship: players Mike Keenan, Taylor Sabo, Kevin Penley, Chad Decker, Pierre Soubrier, Derek Poulin, Mike Hathaway, Brent Mayo, Jason Philbrick, Tyler Tait, Micah Abrams, Joe Kennedy, Chris Kipp, Nick Broadhurst, Brian Van Dam, Tyler Carr, Chris Tyson, Dana Bennett, Brian Mills, Jeff Soules, Brian York, Cody Powers, Phil Lambert, Eddie Jones, Drew Kirstein, Nate Gove, Craig Slavin and Adam Blanchard; Coach Mark Diaz; Assistant Coach David Wakem; Athletic Trainer Neil Carroll; and Managers Calvin Do and Andrew Beety. After 110 scoreless minutes, the Red Storm secured their first Class A state championship since 1976 by a score of 1-0. Under the stewardship of Coach Mark Diaz, the team finished a long, hard-fought season with a superb record of 16-1-1. We extend our congratulations to this group of skilled athletes and wish them well in their future endeavors; (HLS 1524)

Dr. Conner Moore, of Saco, who is the recipient of the Community Partner Award, a Pendelton Award given by Sweetser. Dr. Moore is a pediatrician who has devoted more than 36 years to caring for children in southern Maine. Dr. Moore runs a medical clinic at the Sweetser school in Saco and works as the physician for the Biddeford School System and Thornton Academy. In 2004 he received the Southern Maine Medical

Center Caregiver of the Year Award. He lobbied for an expanded pediatric unit at SMMC, which will be fully operational by December. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Moore for his commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (HLS 1525)

Robert W. Spear, of Nobleboro, for his service to the State as Commissioner of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources. Commissioner Spear oversaw the development of innovative programs such as Senior Farm Share, Farms for the Future and the dairy stabilization program. Another undertaking by the Commissioner was a successful trade mission to Cuba, which was instrumental in marketing Maine products. Commissioner Spear also served his community in the Maine House of Representatives from 1990 to 1998. His leadership and expertise will be sorely missed. We extend our appreciation to Commissioner Spear for a job well done and acknowledge his many contributions in sustaining and promoting Maine's agriculture industry; (HLS 1526)

Randy Bouchard, 16, of Millinocket, who will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1527)

Matthew D. Ward, of Winslow, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew on his accomplishment; (HLS 1528)

the Brewer High School Football Team, upon its winning the 2005 Class B State Championship. We acknowledge the dedication of Coach Ed Ortego and his coaching staff, the leadership of the senior members of the team and the hard work of all the team members. We send the members of the Brewer Witches our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1529)

Willard E. "Bill" Brannen, of Dyer Brook and East Millinocket, a longtime law enforcement officer. Mr. Brannen began his law enforcement work in Island Falls, after working for the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad. He became Chief of Police for the Town of Medway and then accepted a position with the East Millinocket Police Department, where he would honorably serve his community for 28 years, retiring in 2002. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the AARP and was a well-known hunter, fisherman and rifle marksman. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1530)

Joan J. Cyr, of Millinocket, a longtime and dedicated member of the Stearns High School Athletic Boosters Club. After she was elected president of the Boosters, her term of office was for her lifetime. Mrs. Cyr was instrumental in getting scholarships for athletes and helped raise thousands of dollars. As a tribute to her years of service to the school and its athletes, one of the concession stands at the high school has been dedicated to her. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1531)

Sherry Elaine (Thurlow) Clay, of Lincoln. A graduate of Penobscot Valley High School, she then married Hervey Clay and was a stay-at-home mother for nearly 2 decades. Mrs. Clay then went to work at the Clay Funeral Home where she served as treasurer and office manager. She had been a Girl Scout leader, a member and secretary/treasurer of the South Lincoln Community Progress Club and a member of the First Bible Baptist Church of Lincoln. She will be greatly missed by her husband, her parents, her 4 children and other family members and numerous friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1532)

Gene P. Ciarrochchi, Sr., a lifelong resident of East Millinocket, and a United States Air Force veteran of World War II. He attended local schools and was a graduate of Aroostook State Normal School and the University of Maine. He served with the 8th Air Force in England and participated in 34 bomber missions as a 1st Lieutenant, a bombardier engaged in air offensives over Northern France, Normandy and Germany. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters and the EAME Theater Service Medal with 4 Bronze Stars. He will be greatly missed by his loving wife Hildred, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1533)

Isabelle "Billie" Lane, of Millinocket. Mrs. Lane worked for many years at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church as a Sunday School Superintendent, a member of the Altar Guild, a member of the women's guild and a member of the choir. She was also president of the Maine Episcopal Church Women. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving husband Alton, her family and her friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1534)

Don and Wanita Cyr, of Millinocket, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 26, 2005. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1535)

Sara Lammert, of Glenburn, a student at John Bapst Memorial High School, who has earned the AP Scholar with Honor Award from the College Board in recognition of her exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program Exams. We extend our congratulations to her on this accomplishment and we wish her success with her future studies; (HLS 1536)

Michelle Yang, of Glenburn, a student at John Bapst Memorial High School, who has earned the AP Scholar with Honor Award from the College Board in recognition of her exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Program Exams. We extend our congratulations to her on this accomplishment and we wish her success with her future studies; (HLS 1537)

Melinda Jipson, of Passadumkeag, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This award is the highest award given in Cadette Girl Scouting and it recognizes excellence in skill development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Melinda on her accomplishment; (HLS 1538)

Edmund and Ruth Hadlock, of Parsonsfield, on the occasion of their 67th Wedding Anniversary. We extend to them our congratulations on this remarkable milestone event and we send our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 1539)

the Honorable Susan M. Collins, of Bangor, who has established a new record in the United States Senate for consecutive roll call votes. The record was previously held by her mentor, the Honorable Margaret Chase Smith. Recently casting her 2,942nd vote since being sworn into office in 1997, Senator Collins has established a fine reputation of having never missed a roll call vote. Senator Collins ran her first campaign for public office in 1994 and became the first woman in Maine history to receive a major party nomination for governor. In 1996 she won a contested Republican primary and a 4-way general election for her Senate seat. Currently, Senator Collins is the Chair of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee and serves on the Armed Services Committee and the Special Committee on Aging. Senator Collins is also recognized as the first freshman Senator to ever lead the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. We congratulate her on her impeccable voting record and we send her our

appreciation for her dedication to serving her constituency and the Nation; (HLS 1540)

the Honorable Richard Noyes Simoneau, of Thomaston, former Member of the Maine House of Representatives during the 116th and 117th Legislatures. Born in Saco in 1936, Mr. Simoneau graduated from Thornton Academy in 1953. He enlisted in the United States Army and became a proud member of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. During his service, he met his first wife of 29 years, Mary Gerus Simoneau, and together they raised a son and a daughter. His ambition and strong work ethic prompted him to pursue his bachelor's degree in accounting, later becoming acting district director for the Internal Revenue Service in Augusta. Following his achievement of becoming a certified public accountant, Mr. Simoneau started his own accounting firm, which grew to become Simoneau, Norton, Masters & Alex, P.A. He mentored many future accountants through his firm. Civic participation was another area of interest to which he was committed, and as a Little League Coach, a Boy Scout Leader and a school board member, he gave so much back to his community. In 2001, Mr. Simoneau married Jo-Ann Schultz, with whom he shared a great love for travel and exploring new places. Twice elected to the Maine State Legislature, he was instrumental in the passage of the Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement program. A dear friend to many, he was a person who quietly performed acts of kindness for others that went completely unnoticed except by those upon whom the kindnesses were bestowed. He will be greatly missed by his loving family, his colleagues and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1541)

Laila Sarah Dylan Sholtz-Ames, of Corinth, a home-schooled student in the 12th grade who has written a book of poetry about September 11, 2001. Ms. Sholtz-Ames is also a part-time student at University College in Bangor. She is a Girl Scout and volunteers with 4-H working with young children and the elderly. She also hikes, swims and likes to read and cook. She is working toward earning the Girl Scout Gold Award. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Sholtz-Ames on all of her accomplishments and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1542)

the following members of the Hermon Middle School Girls Soccer Team, winners of the Penobscot Valley Middle League Championship: players Brianna Savoy, Elizabeth Johnston, Christina Ingalls, Nicole Turmel, Casey Frederick, Alexa Small, Marissa Kelley, Alex Lynds, Kasey Fratini, Ashley Thayer, Mackenzie Reynolds, Lyndsey Allen, McKayla Bates, Carie Lopez, Trish Levasseur and Katie Mason; captains Amber Estes and Danielle Ross; assistant captains Megan Brunette and Melissa Cliff; Coach Christopher Whitney; and managers Justin Holbrook, Gregory Corey and Cody Phair. We extend our congratulations to this group of skilled athletes and wish them well in their future endeavors; (HLS 1543)

the Foxcroft Academy Ponies football team, in Dover-Foxcroft, on its winning the 2005 Class C Eastern Division Championship. The team has won 9 out of the last 12 Eastern Division Championships and played at 5 out of the last 10 State Championships, winning 2 of those. We extend our congratulations to the team and to the school on these major accomplishments; (HLS 1544)

Paul Withee, of Dover-Foxcroft, the coach of the Foxcroft Ponies, the football team of Foxcroft Academy, on his successful 15 years of coaching. Mr. Withee began coaching in 1990 and has been named Coach of the Year by the Little 10 Conference 6 times. He has a record of 122 wins and only 49 losses. We congratulate Coach Withee on his dedication to the school, the

students and to the sport, and we send him our best wishes for future success; (HLS 1545)

Erica Boulay, of Wells, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to Erica on this accomplishment; (HLS 1546)

Weston L. Bonney, of Portland, who is retiring from the Maine Board of Education after serving for more than 10 years. Mr. Bonney has dedicated his life to serving Maine and the United States, from his service in the Navy in World War II to his steadfast dedication to and passion for providing quality education to Maine students. In 2004, he received the prestigious Mays Medal from Bates College, where he had served as President of the Class of 1950. His unrivaled dedication to advancing education, arts and commerce has provided innumerable benefits to the State, and the legacy he leaves through his work will continue to serve the State for many years to come. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Bonney for his commitment to the youth of the State and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors; (HLS 1547)

the members of the Westbrook High School Interact Club who participated in "Operation Keep Maine Warm," the winter weatherization program initiated by Governor Baldacci. The members who participated are Devon Gilbert, Chris Dyer, Katrina Ramos, Zach Jobin, Meghan Quigley, Tyler Pease, Aaron Tanquay, Jenni Blais, Mike Foley and Nice Kunsamatikit. We extend our appreciation to these students for their commitment to their State; (HLS 1548)

Mason Barker, of Wilton, quarterback for the Mt. Blue Cougars, who has been named the Waterville Morning Sentinel's Football Player of the Year. Mason's 2,154 career passing yards places him 5th all-time on Mt. Blue's list of impressive quarterbacks and his 172 career completions is 4th all-time among Cougar quarterbacks. He started his football career as a running back in the 7th grade. He hopes to play football in college. Mason was a member of the Wilton Yankees. We extend our congratulations to Mason on his accomplishments; (HLS 1549)

The Kennebec Company, of Bath, on its being chosen for the October issue of *This Old House*, the magazine affiliated with the award-winning show of the same name, as "one of the best building pros" in the country. The Kennebec Company joins an elite group of artisans recommended by the staff of the television show and was recognized for its "period-inspired" cabinetry work. The company specializes in building kitchens for older houses undergoing restoration. Founded in 1974 by Dave Leonard, who is now semi-retired, and co-owned by Jeffrey Peavey, the company has more than 40 employees, including 28 cabinetmakers and 12 designers. We extend our congratulations to The Kennebec Company on its receiving this extraordinary honor and we send them our best wishes for future success; (HLS 1550)

St. Athanasius and St. John Roman Catholic Church, in Rumford, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. The church is involved with the River Valley Healthy Communities Coalition, which is a group of citizens working together on local issues that affect the health and quality of life in the area. It also has a youth ministry for children of all ages. We extend our appreciation to the St. Athanasius and St. John Roman Catholic Church for its dedication to the citizens of the State and congratulate the church as it celebrates its anniversary; (HLS 1551)

Anna Shaw, a lifelong resident of Mars Hill, on the occasion of her 95th Birthday, December 31, 2005. Ms. Shaw is a retired

teacher and continues to be active and plays the piano at church. We send her our best wishes on this special celebration of her life; (HLS 1552)

Andrew York, of Mars Hill, a senior at Central Aroostook High School in Mars Hill, on the special occasion of his having scored his 1,000th point in basketball. He is a 4-year basketball veteran and an excellent athlete. We congratulate him on his achievement and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 1553)

Alden Robins and Mary Elizabeth Mendler, of Fryeburg, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. The couple was married in Syracuse, New York on December 29, 1945, approximately a month after Alden returned from Europe, where he served in the Army and Air Force in England and France during World War II. They are the proud parents of 2 daughters, Roberta and Sarah, and have been blessed with 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. Alden worked as a blockman for Allis Chalmers in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. In the early 1960s he entered the banking profession and retired in 1976 as Chief Trust Officer at the First National Bank of Rochester, New Hampshire. Mary was a Home Economics teacher in New York high schools and at Syracuse University. She also taught piano lessons from home for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Mendler have enjoyed camping, traveling, tennis, family visits and local politics. Both have entertained as accomplished musicians, with Mary on the piano and Alden on the clarinet and saxophone, which he also played in clubs and the USO during the war. We extend to them our congratulations on this tremendous milestone and send our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 1554)

Levi Sewall, of Hermon, for his being named the "Undisputed, Undefeated Northern Maine Junior Welterweight Amateur Boxing Champion." He earned this title after establishing a sanctioned boxing record in Maine of 4 wins and no losses. He has also volunteered at the Bangor Police Athletic League facility where he has worked with numerous young boxers, assisting them with their skills. We commend Levi for his dedication to the sport of boxing and wish him future success; (HLS 1555)

Millicent Mann, of Mexico, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, December 16, 2005. Mrs. Mann has been a member of the Cancer Society for 30 years and a charter member of the Mexico Women's Club and has served many years on the Mexico Planning Board and in the Mexico Historical Society. She and her husband were instrumental in developing the Mexico Memorial Green. She plants flowers at the memorial each spring and tends to them through the summer. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Mann for her dedicated commitment to the Town of Mexico and the people of River Valley and send best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1556)

Lance Corporal Derek Cotton, of Hollis, who has returned from active duty with B Company Battalion stationed in Fallujah, Iraq. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Lance Corporal Cotton home to America and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1557)

Eric Spaulding, of Lewiston, a member of Outpost #16, who is the recipient of the Royal Rangers Silver Medal of Achievement Award, which is the second-highest award in the program. The Royal Rangers is a Christian ministry for boys. Its teachings emphasize local church and community involvement along with bible study, nature-related activities and physical skills through age-specific activities and recreation that encourage self-esteem building. This award recognizes years of dedication and commitment. We extend our congratulations to Eric on his

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receiving this award and wish him continued success within his church and community; (HLS 1558)

Raymond Webb, of Prospect, a United States Navy veteran of World War II. He was a longtime member of the American Legion Jerry Dobbins Post No. 157 of Searsport. Mr. Webb was a master mechanic and worked in his brother's garage, ran Webb's Filling Station and Garage in Sandy Point for several years, worked for Bean and Conquest in Bangor as a truck mechanic and worked for Dutch Chevrolet in Belfast for 30 years, becoming known as "The Chevy Man of Waldo County." He was very active in his community and was a charter member of the Prospect Historical Society. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 56 years, Lurline, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1559)

Colonel Brent Boyles, commander of the 52nd Troop Command, on his confirmation by the United States Senate as the next assistant adjutant general of the Maine Army National Guard. A native of Mapleton, Colonel Boyles has been in the military for 26 years and is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He will take over the position next spring and will be promoted to Brigadier General. We acknowledge Colonel Boyles's dedicated service to the military, the State of Maine and the Nation, and we congratulate him on this well-deserved promotion and send him our best wishes; (HLS 1560)

Elizabeth J. Betty O'Brion, of Portland, longtime resident of Portland. Mrs. O'Brion was born on Cliff Island and graduated from Portland High School. She worked for New England Telephone Company for 43 years. She was a life member of the Italian Heritage Center and a member of the New England Telephone Pioneers. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1561)

the following members of the Hampden Academy Mock Trial Team, who have defended their title and won the 2005 Maine State High School Mock Trial Competition: Jarrod M. Bouchard, Paige A. Clifton, Jacob D. Cravens, Logan D. Deane, Sam D. Dow, Jessica L. Hackett, Jason D. Hamilton, Peter J. Herrick, Jr., Sophie Kelmenson, Kristina J. King, Rachel Lawler, Tim Leong, Tao Mason, Kaylie O. Reese, Savannah Sargent, Lauren N. Sturdivant, Lauren E. Swalec, Stefanie Veneziano and Samuel C. Wood; faculty advisor Kathryn King; and legal coaches William B. Devoe, Esq., and James McCarthy, Esq. The team once again displayed a superior understanding of courtroom procedures. The mock trial competition educates students about the legal system and judicial process. Chief Justice Leigh I. Saufley of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court presided over the state championship mock trial. The students are now eligible to represent Maine in the national finals to be held in Oklahoma City in May. We extend our congratulations to the team members for their truly commendable accomplishment and wish them the best of luck as they travel to Oklahoma to represent Maine in the National Mock Trial Competition; (HLS 1562)

Dick Cote, of Fryeburg, on his retirement as Fryeburg Recreation Director. Mr. Cote has served the town in this capacity for 18 years. In June 1987, he became the town's first Recreation Director. When he began as director, numerous bean and spaghetti suppers were needed to help raise funds to purchase equipment. Today, nearly 50 programs a year are available for Fryeburg residents of all ages. The "Field of Dreams" became a reality in October of 2001 due in part to Mr. Cote, and the 20-acre parcel is truly a community complex with something for everyone. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Cote

for his dedication to the town and citizens of Fryeburg and wish him well in his retirement; (HLS 1563)

Nancy Boucher, of Fryeburg, who has been named Maine's School Nurse of the Year. Ms. Boucher has been the nurse for 5 schools in SAD 72 for the last 10 years, serving students in kindergarten through 8th grade. Ms. Boucher is the chair for the Health Curriculum, president of the Advisory Board for the Healthy Maine Partnership grant and president of the PVEA. She is secretary for the Health and Wellness Team and a member of the Safety Committee, Crisis Team, Curriculum Council and School Health Advisory Council. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Boucher for her time and dedication to her students and wish her continued success in her career; (HLS 1564)

Fire Chief Lawrence "Gus" Gillis, of Baileyville, on his retirement as fire chief after more than 50 years of dedicated service with the Baileyville Fire Department. Mr. Gillis joined the fire department in 1952 and was named chief in 1988. His many years of community service are to be commended and we thank him for his dedication to the citizens of the State. We extend our best wishes to him in his future endeavors; (HLS 1565)

Emily W. Zimmerman, of Roque Bluffs, a member of Girl Scout Troop 523, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting. The Gold Award is the culmination of all the work a scout puts into a project and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Emily on this accomplishment; (HLS 1566)

Tyler A. Wax, of Oxford, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting, which recognizes excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Achieving this rank takes years of dedication and commitment and is a commendable accomplishment. Tyler began his journey by joining the Tiger Cubs in Chesapeake, Virginia. His family later moved to Connecticut, where he continued with the Cub Scout and Boy Scout programs. The family now resides in Oxford, and Tyler has remained committed to completing the Boy Scout program. Receiving this award is a significant honor and we recognize that this young man has overcome the challenges of several relocations to earn this rank. We extend our best wishes to Tyler for continued success within the community and for the future; (HLS 1567)

the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps, CG Group Portland Division, on the occasion of its 5th Annual Inspection at the VFW Post on Perry Terrace in South Portland. The division was formed in 2000 and started with 6 cadets. Now there are 32 cadets, whose mission is to realize personal success and achievement through a nautically oriented training program for boys and girls from 11 to 18 years of age. This division is the largest in the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the group on its 5th anniversary; (HLS 1568)

the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America (IUMSWA) Local 6, of Bath, on the special occasion of its 50th Anniversary of representing shipyard workers. It is fitting, with Maine's seafaring and shipbuilding heritage, that we celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the union that supports the shipyard workers of this State. We send our congratulations to the union members on this anniversary; (HLS 1569)

Cecile Collin Dufour, of Madawaska, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, January 6, 2006. Born in Ste. Agathe, she is the daughter of potato grower Magloire Collin and teacher Caroline Dionne. She married Patrick Dufour, an employee of Fraser Papers, at Ste. Luce Church in Frenchville in 1929. After moving



to Madawaska, they raised 5 children on Acadia Street: Gerald, Patsy, Robert, Roger and Carol. They had 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. Mrs. Dufour's theme of life is "joie de vivre." She came into the world the year of the San Francisco earthquake and recalls hearing about the Titanic as a young child. She survived the 1918 Spanish Influenza, danced the Charleston and witnessed bootlegging operations during Prohibition, as well as witnessing the hard times of the Depression. In the post-World War II era, she saw the unfolding technology in transportation and communication. We extend our best wishes to her on the Centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1570)

Paul J. Deschenes, of Sanford, a prominent member of his community. Mr. Deschenes was a member of the Knights of Columbus 3rd and 4th degrees, the Amvets and the American Legion in Sanford and a member and Chaplain of the VFW. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and he was a good Democrat. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife of 54 years, Theresa, his children Paul, Mark, John, Ronald, Richard, Claire and Anne, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1571)

John C. Bodger, Jr., of Whitneyville, a veteran of the United States Army, a teacher and a librarian. Mr. Bodger was an active Democrat and helped to write the recycling section of Maine's solid waste management law. He was known for his long history of community service and received the Norman W. Duzen Community Service award for volunteer efforts in Washington County. He was also recognized by the Jacksonville Grange and the Machias Grange for outstanding community service. Mr. Bodger built up the Whitneyville Public Library from one of the smallest to one of the largest in Washington County. He served on the Whitneyville school board and recreation committee for many years. He also served as deacon at the Whitneyville Congregational Church for many years and held the position of secretary of the county historical society for 21 years. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by the community he served so well; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1572)

Stan Bowden, of Winterport, for his 42 years of dedicated service to the Winterport Fire Department and more than 30 years of service to the Winterport Ambulance Service. Mr. Bowden will retire as fire chief of the fire department and director of the ambulance service on December 31st after many distinguished years of service to the community. Stan, a lifelong resident of Winterport, began his town service in 1963 as a volunteer fireman and responded to the community's need for an ambulance service in the early 1970s. At the age of 28, he was seriously injured in a car accident and was expected to be bedridden the rest of his life. Through his determination, he regained his mobility and continued on as a fireman, never forgetting the town's support. As fire chief, he coordinated and organized the fire department to fight fires as a team by ensuring that each member knew what was expected. His dedication to his town went well beyond his role as fire chief and reached into the very heart of Winterport. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Bowden for his many years of service to the Town of Winterport and join his family and many friends in offering him our best wishes on his well-deserved retirement; (HLS 1573)

Wyatt N. Carpenter, of Union, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 207, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Wyatt on this accomplishment; (HLS 1574)

Leola McGregor, a resident of the Cummings Nursing Home in Howland, on the occasion of her 100th birthday. Mrs. McGregor was born in Springfield, Maine on December 21, 1905, the daughter of George and Rossi Drake. She attends the Howland Baptist Church and is a member of the Bible Baptist Church in Mattawamkeag. We join her son, Norman Budge, in congratulating her on this tremendous milestone and wish her continued happiness; (HLS 1575)

the week of January 29 to February 3, 2006 as the "2006 International Biathlon Union's Biathlon Youth/Junior World Championship Week" in the State of Maine. The Nordic Heritage Ski Club, of Presque Isle, is hosting the 2006 International Biathlon Union's Biathlon Youth/Junior World Championship and athletes from 30 countries are competing in this event. We join the citizens of Presque Isle in welcoming them to the State of Maine and Aroostook County, and we extend our best wishes to all involved in the 2006 International Biathlon Union's Biathlon Youth/Junior World Championship Week; (HLS 1576)

Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr., of Gardiner, on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of his appointment as State Historic Preservation Officer and Director of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission. He is currently the longest-serving state historic preservation officer in the United States. As a teenager, he wrote his first series of historical articles for a Portland newspaper and was also one of the founders of Greater Portland Landmarks, in 1964. A proud native of Portland, he is a graduate of Deering High School and a 1970 honors graduate of Colby College. In 1979, he was awarded an M.A. in New England Studies from Boston University, where he held the first fellowship of the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities. Mr. Shettleworth served Maine's Historic Preservation Commission as Architectural Historian from 1973 to 1976 and was appointed director on January 9, 1976. He has been author, editor or contributor for more than 15 books on Maine's historical and cultural history, from his Colby College honors thesis, "The Architecture of Portland, Maine, 1830 to 1870," to his 2003 monograph, "John Calvin Stevens on the Portland Peninsula 1880-1940: A Listing of His Work by Address, Client, and Chronology." Active in civic affairs, he has served as president of the Maine Historical Society, the Capitol Planning Commission and the New England Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians. In 2004, he was appointed the 6th official Maine State Historian, the first in the 21st century. We salute Mr. Shettleworth's lifelong dedication to the cause of Maine's history and architecture and his 30 years of learning, lecturing, preserving and promoting the history and heritage of Maine, his beloved "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 1577)

Vicki Merrill, of Waterford, who is the recipient of the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce 2006 Employee of the Year Award. This prestigious award recognizes the outstanding work done by individuals who have contributed to the growth and prosperity of area businesses. Ms. Merrill, Fixed Asset and Budget Coordinator of C.N. Brown Company in South Paris, also leads the Kiwanis Builders' Club at the middle school, where she is also very involved in the C.N. Brown job shadowing program and was a coordinator of the Student of the Month program. For several years Ms. Merrill has coordinated the Miracle Ball, an event that raises nearly \$75,000 a year, continuing C.N. Brown's commitment to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Merrill for her years of caring and dedication to the Oxford Hills region; (HLS 1578)

Mary Ann Brown, of West Paris, who is a recipient of the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce 2006 Community Service Award. A former executive with Northeast Bank, Ms. Brown has

been a tireless volunteer working on numerous community projects and events continuing into her retirement. She is affiliated with Community Concepts, Service Corps of Retired Executives, Kiwanis, 4-H Athletic Boosters, Bowling for Kids and Stephens Memorial Hospital. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Brown for her years of caring and dedication to the Oxford Hills region; (HLS 1579)

Beatrice Farwell Spiller, of Wells, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, January 23, 2006. Mrs. Spiller was one of the first teachers at Ogunquit Village School. She started her teaching career in the 1920s. She has attended and participated in town meetings in Wells since the early 1930s. Her husband George was a selectman for the Town, as was her son William, and now her grandson James is Chair of the Board of Selectmen. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Spiller on this special occasion; (HLS 1580)

Walter "Cookie" Pray, of Medway, a millwright for 37 years at the mill in East Millinocket. Mr. Pray was a veteran of the Korean War. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife Bernadette, his family, his colleagues and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1581)

Dana H. Burleigh, Sr., of Millinocket, longtime area businessman. Mr. Burleigh was a United States Air Force veteran of World War II and served in the European Theater. After serving his country, he became a co-owner of Katahdin Motors, and his association with that dealership lasted approximately 40 years. He had been president and director of the Millinocket Chamber of Commerce, which named him its first "Citizen of the Year." Mr. Burleigh was also a member of numerous fraternal and business organizations and was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, where he served on the vestry and as treasurer for many years. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his wife of 57 years, Constance, his family, his colleagues and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1582)

Melvin F. "Dick" Ferland, of Millinocket, longtime resident and owner of Ferland Jewelers. He was a United States Army veteran of World War II and a member of the Donald V. Henry Post No. 4154 American Legion and the Bernard L. Coro, Chapter No. 22 D.A.V. Mr. Ferland founded his business in 1948 and remained active in his business until a few years ago. He was one of the original gemologists in the State of Maine. He will be missed by his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1583)

Morris Yachts, of Trenton, for receiving the prestigious *Cruising World* 2006 Boat of the Year Award. *Cruising World* magazine announced the best in boatbuilding for 2006 with its 12th annual Boat of the Year Awards. Morris Yachts' Morris 42 was named the Domestic Cruising Boat of the Year. Of the 6 American boats nominated, the Morris 42 was universally praised by the judges as the best America has to offer in quality craftsmanship. Morris Yachts, a family-owned business, has been in semi-custom yacht production for 30 years, and has worked hard to become the benchmark of quality for yachtsmen around the world, becoming a complete yacht service organization. We extend our congratulations to Morris Yachts on this award; (HLS 1584)

Bryce Muir, of Bowdoinham, a prominent and prolific artist who specialized in animated wooden portraits, mythic sculptures, local paintings and thematic lawn ornaments, such as his Alice in Wonderland croquet set. He published 2 books: *Local Myths* and *Lawn Wars*. Bryce was also an avid outdoorsman and music lover who built his own wooden sailboat and played in the local "Blues Buzzards" band. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut,

on July 23, 1946 and grew up in East Patterson and Glen Rock, New Jersey. He spent his summers in Owl's Head, Maine. On May 20, 1969 he married Margaret Ramsay Rosten on a terrace in Manhattan in New York City. The couple resided in Providence, Rhode Island, where he earned the nickname "Bryce the Toymaker" while selling wooden toys and whimsical pieces of his own craftsmanship on local street corners. Soon, the couple moved to Iles-de-la-Madeleine, Quebec, Canada, where Bryce worked as a fisherman to support his art and writing. In 1974 they moved to Newfoundland, Canada, where he continued making toys for his art, and also for his new son, Seth Leo Muir. While in Canada, his writing appeared in *Whole Earth* magazine and *The New York Times*. Bryce moved his family to Maine in 1977, spending 7 years in Jonesport writing and fishing before settling in Bowdoinham for the last 21 years. He was deeply involved in Maine's art community, and he showed his art at the Maine Festival for 15 years. He also wrote for *Maine Fisherman*, edited the Union of Maine Visual Artists newsletter and reviewed art for the *Maine Times*. His life and work were featured on public television's "Made in Maine" and in *Down East* magazine. Bryce opened Gallery Muir in Bath, which celebrated his work and the work of local artists from 2004 to 2005. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by his loving wife Peggy, his family, his friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1585)

Carol Colson, of Glenburn, who was presented the 2005 G. Clifton Eames Leadership award by the Bangor Region Leadership Institute Alumni Association. Ms. Colson is a lifelong volunteer and received the award for demonstrating outstanding leadership in the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 1586)

Sarah Francoeur, of Presque Isle, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 517, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1587)

Elks Lodge #1008 in Rockland, on the special occasion of its 100th Anniversary, February 7, 2006. The Lodge has been and continues to be an important part of the Rockland community, making an outstanding contribution to the residents of the area through its charitable giving. The Lodge has provided scholarships to local high school students and has provided support for youth activities. These activities represent the true spirit of community. We extend our congratulations to the members of Elk Lodge #1008 in Rockland as they celebrate this centennial; (HLS 1588)

Peter Merrill, of Dixfield, on his act of heroism in rescuing Kermit and Emily Houghton from their burning home on December 11, 2005. Mr. Merrill, grandson of Emily Houghton, lives across the street from her and her husband. He noticed the fire and advised his wife to call for assistance. He then went across and got Mrs. Houghton out safely before going back into the smoke-filled house on his hands and knees and bringing Mr. Houghton out. Mr. Merrill risked his own life to save the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Houghton. We acknowledge his brave act and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1589)

Dorothy Jane Perkins, of Oxford, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, January 15, 2006. Ms. Perkins retired from New England Telephone and Telegraph Company in 1977 as its Chief Operator after 41 years of employment with the company. She has remained active throughout her retirement and still produces many beautiful pieces of embroidery. Ms. Perkins continues to contribute to the lives of those around her and is described by all

as a very unselfish and giving individual. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 1590)

Edward Darling, of Glenburn, owner of Down East Toyota in Brewer, upon his receiving the Norbert X. Dowd Award from the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce for a lifetime of community service and for business growth. Mr. Darling serves on the board of St. Joseph Hospital and was cochairman of the restoration campaign at St. John's Catholic Church. The Norbert X. Dowd Award is the highest honor given by the Chamber of Commerce. We send Mr. Darling our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1591)

Daniel Kekacs, a senior at Central High School in Corinth, who was named as one of the 50 top performing high school students on the Maine Educational Assessment for the 2005 school year. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement and we send him our best wishes for his future endeavors; (HLS 1592)

Winona Kenney Robbins, of Farmington, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, January 11, 2006. Mrs. Robbins was born and raised in New Vineyard and lived there all of her life until she became a resident of Farmington 3 years ago. She is the mother of 4 daughters, and she has 9 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Her first great-great-grandchild is expected in June. She worked as a bus driver for 34 years, first in New Vineyard and then for SAD #9. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on this special celebration of her life; (HLS 1593)

Alice Ryder, of Strong, who is the Strong Nursing Home Employee of the Year, chosen by the 12 employees of the month at the facility. Mrs. Ryder has been a cook at Strong Nursing Home for almost 8 years and frequently does little extra things for the residents and staff. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1594)

Trooper Paul G. Stewart, of Clinton, on the occasion of his retirement after 31 years with the Maine State Police. Trooper Stewart, a former member of the United States Marine Corps, joined the Maine State Police on September 9, 1974. He spent his entire career stationed with Troop C in Skowhegan. Those who served with and know Trooper Stewart refer to him as a man of great integrity and compassion. We extend our appreciation to Trooper Stewart for his commendable service, sacrifices and dedication to his community and State and wish him the best in his retirement; (HLS 1595)

the University of Maine at Presque Isle and the greater Presque Isle community on the occasion of the official opening of the newest building on the campus, the Caroline D. Gentile Hall, named in honor of the university's longest-serving faculty member. Gentile Hall features a large multipurpose court, fitness center, pool, elevated track and climbing wall. The facility will support the university's academic programs and student body, but the community is encouraged to use its resources. Professor Gentile is a nationally known educator in the field of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and taught at the University of Maine at Presque Isle for 5 decades. She developed physical education programs that gained a reputation for excellence throughout New England. We join the University of Maine at Presque Isle community in sending our congratulations on the opening of the newest building on the university campus; (HLS 1596)

Nick Rucker, of Gray, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 86, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in boy scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and

community service. We extend our congratulations to Nick on his accomplishment; (HLS 1597)

Francis J. "Frank" Fixaris, of Falmouth, a sports broadcaster known for his deep baritone voice and encyclopedic knowledge of sports in a career that spanned 5 decades. Frank worked for WCSH Radio and for other various local radio stations during the early years of his career before working for WGME as a sportscaster from 1965 to 1995, where he retired as sports director. He was the co-host of the "Shoe & Fix" morning radio sports show. He was a versatile broadcaster who connected with viewers and listeners through his vast knowledge of local and national sports. He received numerous awards and citations for contributions to sports. He always loved sports, from the time that he was a kid and all through high school and college. He helped the community with the Maine Special Olympics and did volunteer work for the Iris Network. Mr. Fixaris will be missed by his loving family, many friends, colleagues, sports enthusiasts and the community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1598)

Eddie A. Plourde, of Madawaska, on his retirement as manager of La Vallée Federal Credit Union in Madawaska. Mr. Plourde joined the credit union in 1969 as its manager. It had just over \$64,000 in assets when he took charge, and at present assets exceed \$31 million. He guided the institution through 2 mergers, one with Frenchville FCU and the other with Grand Isle FCU, and recently was part of the management team set up to facilitate the merger with Fort Kent FCU. He has served as the Aroostook Chapter Representative to the board of directors of the Maine Credit Union League, as well as the Chair of the Governmental Affairs Committee. We acknowledge his dedicated years of service to his profession and to the community, and we wish him a very happy retirement; (HLS 1599)

Erica Smith, of Mapleton, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 517, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Erica on her accomplishment; (HLS 1600)

Tom Platz and Pat Maiorino, of Bates Mill LLC in Lewiston, for their outstanding service to the residents of Androscoggin County through charitable contributions to the Keep ME Warm Charitable Fuel Fund, which is an initiative started by Governor Baldacci to help those who are having trouble heating their homes for the winter. Due to the efforts of Mr. Platz and Mr. Maiorino, Bates Mill LLC has promised up to \$5,000 in matching funds to donations from other businesses and individuals. The promise to match donations was the impetus for a larger campaign. This generous act represents the true spirit of community. We extend our appreciation to Tom Platz and Pat Maiorino for their service and their commitment to the citizens of this State; (HLS 1601)

Chris Roy, of Fort Kent, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 189, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to Chris on his accomplishment; (HLS 1602)

January 25, 2006 as National "Thank Your Mentor Day." Mentoring is a structured and trusting relationship that brings young people together with caring, committed individuals who offer guidance, support and encouragement aimed at developing the confidence, competence and character of the mentee. Mentoring has a definitive impact on young people by increasing attendance at school, improving rates of high school graduation

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and college attendance and decreasing involvement with drugs, alcohol and violent behaviors. We extend our appreciation to the thousands of caring Maine individuals who have committed their time and energy to mentor a child; (HLS 1603)

Clear Channel Radio, of Bangor, the recipient of the Spirit of Community Award for Media from the Eastern Agency on Aging for its dedication to providing programming for senior citizens. We extend our congratulations to Clear Channel Radio on its receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 1604)

Devon Romain, of Glenburn, a student at Glenburn School, who won first place in the Modern Woodmen's School Speech contest. Modern Woodmen's School Speech contest is one of 6 free Youth Educational Programs Modern Woodmen offers to schools nationwide. Nearly 100,000 students compete in the contest each year. We extend our congratulations to Devon on this accomplishment; (HLS 1605)

the Central High School "Red Devils" field hockey team, of Corinth, upon winning the Eastern Maine State Class C Field Hockey Championship. This is the team's first Eastern Maine championship since 1984. We extend our congratulations to the team on its victory; (HLS 1606)

Nikki Holland, of Glenburn, a student at Glenburn School, who won 2nd place in the Modern Woodmen's School Speech contest. Modern Woodmen's School Speech contest is one of 6 free Youth Educational Programs Modern Woodmen offers to schools nationwide. Nearly 100,000 students compete in the contest each year. We extend our congratulations to Nikki on this accomplishment; (HLS 1607)

the County Federal Credit Union on its 50th Anniversary. Originally organized in 1956 as Loring Federal Credit Union to serve military personnel and civilians employed at Loring Air Force Base, the financial institution reached \$2,000,000 in assets by 1964, making it the largest credit union in the State. In 1969, Holy Rosary Credit Union merged with Loring Federal Credit Union, which created the first Department of Defense credit union to expand into the local community. The ensuing decade brought 6 other mergers. Changing its name to better represent the communities it served, Loring Federal Credit Union became the County Federal Credit Union in 1983. Now serving 22 communities in Aroostook County, the County Federal Credit Union's membership has grown to 13,000, with more than \$89,000,000 in assets. We extend our appreciation to the County Federal Credit Union for its dedicated service to the people of Aroostook and commend its achievement over the past half century; (HLS 1608)

Harold Beisaw, of Jay, on the 50th Anniversary of being a member of the Mason's Wilton Lodge No. 156. He served as Worshipful Master in 1961 and 1995. Mr. Beisaw was appointed District Deputy Master of the 15th Masonic District of the Grand Lodge of Maine from 1997 to 1999. He is the recipient of the Grand Lodge of Maine Veteran's Medal for his 50-year anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this golden anniversary; (HLS 1609)

Gregory Garwood, of Gardiner, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Gregory on his accomplishment; (HLS 1610)

Harold "Bud" Haggan, of Strong, for service to his community and for having the Annual Town Report dedicated to him. Mr. Haggan is a United States Army veteran of World War II. After the war, he worked for Forster Manufacturing Company and then worked as a mechanic for 30 years. He had the first backhoe in

town and an old 4-wheel drive truck. One winter, he had over 100 driveways to plow. He still remains active and does some plowing. Mr. Haggan has served as a member of the Strong Library Association, the Planning Board and the Conservation Commission. He has been the town's plumbing inspector since 1973. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and we congratulate him on having the town's annual report dedicated to him this year; (HLS 1611)

Melvin Francis, Tribal Governor of the Passamaquoddy Indians at Pleasant Point and prominent citizen of the State of Maine. Governor Francis lived most of his life on the reservation. He was in his last year of his 4-year term and he had served previously for two 2-year terms. We join the citizens in the State of Maine in acknowledging his exemplary public service to the Passamaquoddy Indians. He will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by his family, his friends and his tribe; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1612)

Edgar Albert, of Madawaska, son of Clovis and Alma Tardif Albert, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, January 29, 2006. He and his wife Grace Fournier Albert were married on June 28, 1948 in Edmundston, New Brunswick. He is the father of Gloria, Roger, Paula, Gerald and Carol Ann. He has 7 grandchildren, Michelle, Karen, Jeffrey, Matthew, Jason, Sean and Jenna. He served as a corporal in the United States Air Force during World War II. He worked at Fraser Paper, Lafayette Electronics and Edgar's TV during his working years. He is a member of the American Legion, the Lions Club and the Knights of Columbus. He enjoys fishing, golfing and gardening. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Albert on this special occasion; (HLS 1613)

Alice Angelo Cornelio, of Farmington, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, February 21, 2006. Mrs. Cornelio was born in Portland and married her husband Bernadino Cornelio in 1919. She is the mother of 6 daughters and 5 sons. She has 48 grandchildren, 81 great-grandchildren, 45 great-great-grandchildren and 20 step-grandchildren. Her life has been a remarkable journey she says she'd never change. She has lived through the terms of office of 18 Presidents of the United States. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1614)

Franklin Community Health Network, on its being named as a finalist by the American Hospital Association for the 2005 Foster G. McGaw Prize, a highly prestigious national health care award, for excellence in community service for its involvement in addressing the needs of the community through innovative programs, including Tobacco-Free Franklin Families, Contract for Care, Franklin Health Access, the HealthCard Program, Community Health Visioning and other community-based initiatives. The prize and \$10,000 is awarded to the finalists. We join representatives of the Maine Hospital Association and the American Hospital Association in congratulating the network on its exemplary efforts and community service; (HLS 1615)

Robert and Mary Campbell, of Fort Fairfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were married on February 6, 1956 at Holy Rosary Church in Caribou. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1616)

Roland P. Richard, who was a longtime resident of Sanford. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Richard served on PT boats in the South Pacific and was awarded the Purple Heart. Mr. Richard was employed at the family's neighborhood store for many years and was also a cobbler. Later, he was employed with Roland J. Dubois, Sanford Linoleum. He retired in 1991 from Guillemette's Flooring. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1617)

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Marguerite "Mike" Rand Osgood Holbrook, of Wayne, on the occasion of her 97th birthday, December 20, 2005. She was born in Gardiner and has lived in Wayne for 44 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this very special occasion; (HLS 1618)

Specialist Fernand Everett Thibodeau, of Fort Kent, on the anniversary of his honorable discharge from Vietnam service, January 28, 1964. He received the top Sharpshooter Award in Vietnam. He is the son of Adrien and Izy Thibodeau of St. Francis. Upon his return to Fort Kent, he married Gert Michaud and they are the parents of Stephen, Jason and Sherry. He recently retired from Northland/Pierpoint after 35 years. He's very proud of his Native American and Acadian roots. He is a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. We extend our congratulations to him on this occasion; (HLS 1619)

the Curran Homestead Living History Farm and Museum, of Orrington, on its 15th Anniversary. The Curran Homestead Living History Farm and Museum is a working family farm and museum providing families and children a living example of our agricultural past. It brings to life the work and lifestyle of a rural Irish immigrant Maine family of the 1890s. The Curran Homestead collaborates with organizations such as 4-H, the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Service, the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and historical societies and with local residents. We congratulate the Curran Homestead Living History Farm and Museum on this anniversary and we send our best wishes for its future success in its mission to preserve our rich agricultural heritage; (HLS 1620)

the following members of the Lisbon High School Football Team, winners of the 2005 Class C State Football Championship: Joe Stevens, Carl Grady, Andrew Dubois, Chris Brunick, Cody Ray, Zach Bubar, Brandon Riordan, Jacob Cyr, Nate Blackwell, Mike Call, Mike Unterkoeffler, Josh Stevens, Levi Ervin, Ben Bourgoin, Andy Ouellette, Nate Dostie, Ryan Giusto, Jesse Moan, Dan Willis, Derick Bolton, Dan Sullivan, Kyle McDougal, Nick Harmon, Matt Powell, Dan Johnson, Josh Neagle, Steve Michaud, Jake McDougall, Mark Stambach, Jared Williams, Ian Blethen, Devan Knight, Scott Wing, Elijah Treffts, Steve McKay, Corey Morrison, Dillon Ward, Shawn Fitzgerald, Jessie Walker, Matt Cooper, Drew Church, Nick Adams, Steve Branson, Dan Cornell and Mike Bolduc; Head Coach Dick Mynahan; Assistant Coaches John Murphy, Stacen Doucette and Randy Ridley; Principal Ken Healey; Assistant Principal Warren Galway; and Co-curricular Director Jeff Ramich. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their accomplishment; (HLS 1621)

the following members of the Lisbon High School Cross-country Team, winners of the 2005 Class C State Championship: Kaleb Boucher, Joel Burkhardt, Matt Campbell, Tyler Campbell, Nick Caton, Tyler Clark, Aaron Cloutier, Nick Jones, Ethan Masselli, Philip Morlock and Zach Tupper; Head Coach Hank Fuller; Principal Ken Healey; Assistant Principal Warren Galway; and Co-curricular Director Jeff Ramich. This victory gives the team its 3rd consecutive Class C championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their accomplishment; (HLS 1622)

Jim and Nancy Lamson, of Lisbon, owners of L & B Electric, on the occasion of their receiving the Lisbon Business Award from the Androscoggin County Chamber of Commerce. Jim and Nancy are active members of the Lisbon community and have been involved in assisting in the Moxie Festival. They provide a strong family-like work environment for their employees. We

send Jim and Nancy our congratulations on their receiving this award; (HLS 1623)

the memory of Logan Cyr on the occasion of the dedication of Manny Mountain, Benedicta Elementary School's all new ski training hill and ski-through tunnel. Logan loved to spend time on skis with fellow skiing students known as the Benedicta Sitzmarkers and with his faithful canine Manny who never left his side. We join the staff and students of Benedicta Elementary School as they remember Logan's courage and determination in the face of adversity by dedicating the school's new ski hill "Manny Mountain"; (HLS 1624)

Thomas R. Bergeron, lifelong resident of Sanford. Mr. Bergeron received his certificate in Pedorthic Services from Northwestern University in Chicago and worked in the family business in Sanford, Bergeron's Shoes and Pedorthic Services. His ability to modify shoes for patients with medical conditions drew customers from throughout New England. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1625)

B. Jean Harding, of Presque Isle, wife of former Senator Floyd L. Harding. Mrs. Harding, who was dedicated to providing service to the people of Presque Isle and the surrounding area, was the first woman elected to the Presque Isle City Council. She served on the city council for 18 years, which is the longest tenure of any person in Presque Isle history. She worked tirelessly to better serve the people in the area. She helped to secure funds to build the Presque Isle Homeless Shelter, the animal shelter, the Presque Isle bike path, the home for the veterans in Caribou and to rebuild the Grant Memorial United Methodist Church in Presque Isle. She served on the Presque Isle Industrial Council, the Aroostook Finance Committee and was spokesperson at meetings of the Maine Municipal Association. She was always available to talk with the citizens of Presque Isle. Mrs. Harding will be fondly missed by her loving family, her friends and the citizens of Presque Isle; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1626)

the Honorable Arthur C. Gordon, Jr., of Westbrook, beloved friend, family man and faithful public servant. A prominent citizen of Duck Pond Road, Westbrook, where he lived most of his life. He was a proud 1943 graduate of the Maine Maritime Academy and served as an officer on Liberty ships in World War II. For more than 30 years he was employed at the S.D. Warren Paper Company, making the fine papers used to print the Congressional Record and National Geographic, skilled work in which he took great pride. Always a friend of Maine's working men and women, he served on the Executive Board of Maine's AFL-CIO. He was active in the United Paperworkers Union Local 1069. He was a founding member and chair of the Maine Labor Group on Health and a founding member of the Maine Coalition on Smoking or Health. He served as a city councilor in Westbrook and as a Maine State Senator, and was a longtime member of the Stephen Manchester Post 62 American Legion. He was a lifelong member of the Democratic Party and loyal advisor to many elected officials for more than 50 years. He will be sadly missed by his wife of 56 years, Barbara, his daughters, Sandra and Mary, his 3 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, and his wide circle of friends and coworkers; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1627)

Garfield C. King, of Fort Kent, prominent member of the education community of northern Maine. Mr. King was born in Caribou and graduated from the University of Maine at Presque Isle. He received his master's degree in education and certificate of advanced study from the University of Maine at Orono. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1950 to 1953,

receiving the Purple Heart during combat duty in the Korean War. He also received the Korean Service Medal, the Navy Occupation Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. He was a member of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and he maintained life-long ties with his fellow brothers-in-arms, The Dog Seven Association. He had a distinguished career in education as a teacher, principal and superintendent of schools. He was an active member of the Maine Teachers' Association, the National Educators' Association, Aroostook County and Maine State Superintendents' Association and the Aroostook Retired Educators' Association. He was instrumental in the establishment of the St. John Valley Regional Technology Center. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community, this State and his Nation. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1628)

Kevin M. White, of Rumford, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 544, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kevin on this accomplishment; (HLS 1629)

Sergeant Jarod Lane, of New Vineyard, who has returned after 2 tours of duty in Iraq with the 515th Transportation Company. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Sergeant Lane home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1630)

the nonprofit sector in Maine and the Maine Association of Nonprofits, on the 3rd Annual Nonprofit Day at the State House on February 8, 2006, hosted by the Maine Association of Nonprofits. The association is the only statewide organization that represents the full spectrum of the State's nonprofit organizations. Its mission is to strengthen the leadership, voice and organizational effectiveness of nonprofit organizations so that they can better enrich the quality of community and personal life throughout the State. The association consists of more than 500 nonprofit members and 90 business and individual supporters who work cooperatively to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of Maine's 3rd sector. We extend our congratulations to the Maine Association of Nonprofits and its members for its excellent work on behalf of nonprofit organizations; (HLS 1631)

the Honorable Stanley R. Tupper, of Boothbay Harbor, former Member of the Maine House of Representatives and former Member of the United States House of Representatives. Mr. Tupper graduated from Hebron Academy and Middlebury College in Vermont. He served in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1946, and later earned a law degree from LaSalle Extension University in Chicago. He served in the Maine State Legislature from 1953 to 1954 and later held posts as Assistant Attorney General and State Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries. Mr. Tupper served 3 terms in the United States House of Representatives from 1961 to 1967. He was appointed United States commissioner general with the rank of ambassador to the Canadian World Exhibition in 1967 and served on the International Commission for Northeast Atlantic Fisheries from 1975 to 1976. He returned to Maine after serving in Congress and shared a law practice with his wife, Jill Kaplan Tupper. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community, his State and the Nation. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his wife, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1632)

the following University of Southern Maine students, members of the Students In Free Enterprise organization, on the

occasion of their winning the "Duel on the Heights" competition held at Boston College: Alison Carrier, Lori Royer, Manu Lee and Katsu Goto. The competition centers around creating financial plans for a family presented in a case study. Students receive the case study on Friday evening, spend Saturday preparing a presentation and present it before a panel of judges on Sunday morning. The students won a monetary prize and go on to the University of Arizona for the national competition. We congratulate the University of Southern Maine, the student team and the Students In Free Enterprise organization on their well-deserved honor; (HLS 1633)

Linda Dunlea, of Lovell, for her heroism in implementing the proper emergency plan at New Suncook School in Lovell. On January 20, 2006, Mrs. Dunlea immediately perceived a very dangerous situation occurring when a man ran into the school, pursued by a Maine State Police trooper. Aware that the suspect may be armed and dangerous, Mrs. Dunlea called for a "Level II" lockdown, using the school's intercom system. Because of her quick thinking, teachers were able to clear the hallways, secure their classrooms and direct students to safe areas. Mrs. Dunlea's prompt call to action protected students from injury and allowed for the incident-free apprehension of the intruder, an alleged bank robber. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Dunlea for helping protect the students, faculty and staff of New Suncook School; (HLS 1634)

Sergeant First Class Jeremy M. Wentworth, of Bridgton, on his being awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his exemplary service while deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Sergeant First Class Wentworth made certain that his platoon, with which he served as Scout Platoon Leader, was fully prepared for the challenges it would face while in Iraq. Coordinating efforts with mechanics, technicians and welders, Sergeant First Class Wentworth converted 4 vehicles drawn from stay-behind equipment from a state of non-mission capable to fully mission capable. Focused on the safety and welfare of his troops, Sergeant First Class Wentworth ensured they were well versed in combat tactics and weapons systems and possessed the ability to adapt quickly under hostile conditions. During the platoon's more than 300 combat patrols, its soldiers came under 6 IED and 5 direct fire attacks. Through his charismatic leadership, he earned the respect and faith of those under his command. He led his squad valiantly in 2 ambushes while later securing an LZ following an IED attack. In the course of a skirmish, Sergeant First Class Wentworth helped save the lives of 2 critically wounded soldiers by calling for aid medivac. His success is reflected in the achievements of the 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry and the United States Army. We recognize Sergeant First Class Wentworth for his service to our nation as a defender of freedom; (HLS 1635)

Sarah Anne Greenlaw Bowen, of South Portland and Isle au Haut, beloved mother and wife and caring community activist. Born in Waterbury, Connecticut, the daughter of Aubrey and Mattie G. Greenlaw, she attended local schools and St. Mary's College and Bayonne Junior College in New Jersey. During World War II, she served as a hospital ambulance driver in New York City, transporting wounded servicemen for the American Red Cross, exciting service she proudly recounted for family gatherings in later years. She married Charles D. Bowen in 1951 and spent many summers with their children on Isle au Haut, Penobscot Bay, the ancestral home of both families for many generations. She moved to the island year-round in 1993, where she managed the island store, served on the Island Community Development Committee and delighted in visits of the Maine Seacoast Mission vessel, the Sunbeam. She shared with all she

met a sense of grace, dignity and courage and an abundant love for her island's grand mountains, evergreen forests and sweeping seacoast. Devoted to her family, her community and her faith, she will be deeply missed by her large and loving family, her wide circle of friends and all she touched with her devotion to her island and beloved State of Maine, "The Pine Tree State"; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1636)

the following members of the Mt. Blue High School Football Team, upon their winning the 2005 Eastern Maine Class A State Championship: players Chadd Harris, Derek Rowe, Shawn Andrews, Derrick Burnham, Ryan Cushman, Zach Dalrymple, Bobby Duley, Joe Gilbert, Justin Gordon, Chris Gross, Tim Lagasse, Fred Lowell, Derek Luker, Shane Luker, Ian Luker, Vasilios Maniatakos, DJ Rackliffe, DJ Wilber, Kevin Averill, Gary Begin, Pete Farnum, Eric Gilbert, Derek Hutchinson, Alex Johnson, Justin Lowe, Jordan Miller, Hal Robbins, Curtis Steele, Mike Toothaker, Arthur Trask, Mason Barker, Leo Bissonette, Josh Brougham, Matt Burnham, Mike Cayer, Jeff Davis, Collin Gillespie, Troy McCormick, John Maloney, Josh Parker, Hazen Pingree, Derek Pomeroy, Jared Richards, Tom Robinson, Byron Staples and Adam Wallace; managers Kelly Green, Crystal Searles, Anthony Barker, Andrea Belanger, Maria Iburguen and Becca Gage; head coach Gary Parlin; coaches Craig Collins, Peter Franchetti, Tim Shumway, Roger Bolduc, Adam Pomeroy and Bob Bourassa. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1637)

the John Bapst High School Cheerleading Team, of Bangor, on its winning the 2006 Eastern Maine Class B regional cheerleading championship. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their accomplishment; (HLS 1638)

the Hermon High School Cheerleading Team on its being the runner-up in the 2006 Eastern Maine Class B regional cheerleading championship. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their accomplishment; (HLS 1639)

Wes Smith, of Glenburn, a member of the Belfast Curling Club, on his being named to the United States Wheelchair Curling Team to compete at the Winter Paralympics in Torino, Italy in March 2006. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Smith on his being chosen for the United States team. We join all the citizens of Maine in sending him our best wishes as he represents our country at these prestigious games; (HLS 1640)

Richard and Elizabeth Warren, of Bangor, on their being presented with the Norbert X. Dowd Award for community service and the advancement of business by the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Warren is the 4th-generation publisher of the *Bangor Daily News*, and also is editor. Mr. Warren recently was named chair of the Atlantic Salmon Federation and has been involved with the Forestry Society of Maine, the Land for Maine's Future Board and the Penobscot River Restoration Project. Mr. and Mrs. Warren both have been members of the board of Eastern Maine Medical Center, and Mrs. Warren has been a member of the board at Acadia Hospital. She has also been active with the Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, Meals for ME, the Maine Center for the Arts and Bangor Theological Seminary, among other local institutions. We extend our congratulations to Richard and Elizabeth Warren on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1641)

John Rainville, of Farmington, who was honored by Maine Maritime Academy with a certificate of appreciation as a member of the crew of the Training Ship "State of Maine" for aiding those individuals providing relief efforts following Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Rainville, a computer specialist at the University of Maine at Farmington's Computer Center since 1999, spent 77 days away from classes, his job and his wife in order to aid in relief efforts.

As Information Specialist aboard the academy's ship, which provided emergency housing for relief workers in the New Orleans area, he was responsible for computer services, web pages, mail, news and running movies. His efforts bolstered morale for those serving with agencies assisting in the relief efforts, which included the Red Cross, the United States Coast Guard, the United States Army and the Department of Homeland Security. We acknowledge John Rainville's dedicated service to his nation, and we extend our congratulations to him on his being honored by Maine Maritime Academy for his sacrifices; (HLS 1642)

Jerry Raymond Howard, a prominent and well-loved resident of New Vineyard. The town recently dedicated the latest town report to his memory as a token of its respect and affection. Born in 1950, Mr. Howard was past town constable, dog officer and member of the Appeals Board and the Planning Board. He also was a member of the fire department, including stints as deputy fire warden, fire chief and, from 1995 until his death in December 2005, fire warden. He served as selectman in 1986, 1987, 1991 to 1993 and from 2002 until his death. Mr. Howard, who had a passion for the town's history, enjoyed collecting New Vineyard memorabilia and played a large role in organizing the parade for the town's bicentennial celebration. He also was a leader of the Franklin County 4-H Working Steer Club for 11 years and served as Chair of the Franklin County Leaders Association for 9 years. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1643)

Calvin Durrell, of Temple, former fire chief for the town from 1950 to 1967. The town recently dedicated the latest annual report to his memory as a token of its respect. He will be greatly missed by family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1644)

Dominique Leclerc, of Brunswick, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 523, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Dominique on this accomplishment; (HLS 1645)

Donald Goulet, of Lisbon Falls, who is retiring as Commander of Support Services after 20 years with the Brunswick Police Department. Commander Goulet started with the police department as a patrol officer in 1986 and worked his way up the ranks. He also served as Team Leader of the Special Response Team and chaired several committees that were instrumental in organizing and developing department policies, rules and regulations. He held many positions in the Brunswick Police Benefit Association, including President. He also served as Vice President of the Executive Board of the Maine Association of Police, and was an organizer and an executive board member for the Jim Swint Memorial Scholarship. Commander Goulet received the Cops' Cop Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Association of Police and numerous departmental commendations and superior performance letters. We extend our appreciation to Commander Goulet for his dedicated service to the citizens of Brunswick and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 1646)

the League of United Latin American Citizens, known as LULAC, and the Maine chapter of this organization on its 77th Anniversary, and for its excellent work on behalf of equality, economic improvement, educational attainment and civil rights for our Hispanic population. The league is the largest, oldest and most successful Hispanic civil rights and service organization in the United States. Maine's chapter was established 8 years ago. Members throughout the nation have developed a tremendous

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track record of success in advancing the conditions and rights of the Hispanic population of the United States. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of LULAC in Maine and throughout the nation on this anniversary; (HLS 1647)

Roy "Joe" Dyke, who was a lifelong resident of Wilton. Mr. Dyke graduated from Wilton Academy in 1944 and Maine Central Institute in 1948. He served in the United States Navy aboard the USS Dayton during World War II. He and his wife Ruth were married for 46 years. He was a member of the Frank L. Mitchell VFW Post #3335 and the Wilton Masonic Lodge #156 A.F. & A.M. and a 52-year member of Hosmer-Edwards American Legion Post of Wilton. He was also a member of the First Congregational Church, was Past Grand Noble of the Williamson Lodge #20 I.O.O.F., serving as its financial secretary for 15 years, and was a past president of the Wilton Lions Club. He enjoyed playing baseball and basketball. He was a perennial all-star at second base in the Pine Tree and Timber Leagues in Wilton. In 2006 he was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame. He was a Little League coach for many years and later coached Babe Ruth baseball. He enjoyed his camp on Wilson Lake and spending time with his grandchildren. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, many friends and baseball colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1648)

Herbert Sargent, of Old Town, on the occasion of his 100th birthday, February 22, 2006. In the early 1920s, Mr. Sargent purchased his first Reo gravel truck, which led to his owning and operating H.E. Sargent Construction Company. He worked on road projects in the State, built airports and runways for the Department of Defense during World War II and was the first contractor to work on the Maine Turnpike. He married his high school sweetheart, Amber Warren, and they had 5 children, Anita, Virginia, James, Calista and Marvia. He enjoys his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Sargent on this special occasion; (HLS 1649)

Gertrude Brunton, 102, the oldest citizen of Avon. Born August 18, 1903, Mrs. Brunton's first memories are of streets more crowded with horse-drawn carriages and drays than with automobiles. She married Robert Brunton and they endured the hard times of the depression. After World War II, the Bruntons were able to buy a house and raise a family in Westwood, Massachusetts. They moved to Avon in 1982. The Town of Avon has 3 dedications of this year's town report and one is to Mrs. Brunton. We congratulate Gertrude Brunton on receiving this honor and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1650)

Chelsea Roderick, Ting Morse, Jacob Thompson, Jarrod Thompson and Nicholas Hathaway, all of Phillips, for their help in saving the lives of Ting's mother, Elizabeth Cooke, and their dog, Gus, who had fallen into the icy water of the Sandy River. Four of the children went for help, and Nicholas volunteered to stay with Mrs. Cooke. Mrs. Cooke had been attempting to rescue her dog when she fell in the water. She told Nicholas to go for help. Nicholas encountered Melissa Thompson and the four other children and informed Mrs. Thompson that Mrs. Cooke was in the water. They all went to the water. Mrs. Thompson pulled the dog out first and advised the children to take the dog home to get warm. When the children reached a neighbor's house, they called 911. Thanks to the quick thinking of the children, there was an ambulance waiting on the road when Mrs. Thompson arrived with Mrs. Cooke. We wish to recognize these children for their part in saving the lives of Mrs. Cooke and Gus; (HLS 1651)

Richard "Dick" Caton, of Avon, on the occasion of his 25th year of being town moderator at the Avon town meeting. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and we

send Mr. Caton our congratulations on this anniversary; (HLS 1652)

Dennis Taylor and Asha Taylor, of Wilton, for their assistance in rescuing Thomas Chapman, who was thrown from his boat while testing a new motor on Wilson Lake. Mr. Taylor and his daughter Asha are the recipients of an honorable mention award presented by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association. We wish to acknowledge Dennis and Asha for their help in saving Mr. Chapman; (HLS 1653)

Adam Jordan, of Wilton, who is the recipient of the Act of Bravery Award given by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association. Mr. Jordan received the award for saving the life of Thomas Chapman, who was thrown from his boat while testing a new motor on Wilson Lake. We join the Maine Chiefs of Police Association in recognizing Mr. Jordan for his courageous act; (HLS 1654)

Melissa Thompson, of Phillips, for her heroic efforts in saving the life of Elizabeth Cooke and her dog, Gus. Mrs. Cooke was attempting to retrieve her dog from the frigid water of the Sandy River when she fell in. Mrs. Thompson ran to the scene and without hesitation made her way over the ice to Mrs. Cooke and Gus and pulled them both to safety. Mrs. Thompson then carried Mrs. Cooke to the shore where an ambulance was waiting. Mrs. Thompson's action exemplifies the noble spirit of Maine's citizens. We acknowledge her for her courageous feat; (HLS 1655)

Oxford Police Chief Ronald Kugell, on his retirement on March 15, 2006 after 48 years of service with the police department. Chief Kugell began his remarkable career when the department was just a volunteer force in the late 1950s. He served as a town constable, an officer on the Auxiliary Police that was set up by the Civil Defense and a State Police Reserve all while he was teaching at Oxford Hills High School in Paris. Eventually, the Town of Oxford grew large enough to require a formal police department, which was formed from the Auxiliary Police and the town constables in 1962. He first served as Assistant Police Chief, Assistant Fire Chief and Rescue Chief. Within 3 years, he took over the position of Chief of Police and has held the title for the past 41 years, never receiving a salary, only a yearly stipend. From mid-1970 until 1983, he was not only the Oxford Chief of Police, but also the Assistant Principal of the high school. Chief Kugell has tirelessly served and donated his time to the community, not only through his police work and teaching, but also as one of four members representing the Town of Oxford on the Board of Directors for School Administrative District #17, at one time holding the position of chair of the board. On many occasions he has served as moderator for town meetings, and he is always quick to donate the use of any one of his antique cars for local parades. We acknowledge Chief Kugell's dedicated and varied service to his community and we extend to him our best wishes for his well-deserved retirement; (HLS 1656)

Caitlin Hynes, of Rockland, a senior at Rockland District High School, who recently scored her 1,000th career point in basketball for the Rockland Tigers. Caitlin is the first Rockland District High School female basketball player to attain this distinction. She was named the Rockland *Courier-Gazette* Female Athlete of the Year, is a member of the National Honor Society, was a class officer for 2 years and a Student Senate Officer for 4 years, played field hockey, was a member of the 2nd team for KVAC Softball in 2005, was named KVAC Basketball Player of the Year for 2005-2006 and has been chosen Valedictorian for the 2006 graduating class. We extend our congratulations to Caitlin on her achievements; (HLS 1657)



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Lois C. Lench, of Rockport, in celebration of her 100th Birthday, February 22, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this very special occasion; (HLS 1658)

Mary J. Waterman, 58, of South Thomaston, a dedicated and active member of her community. Born in Rockland, she attended Rockland schools. She was a graduate of Colby College and attended the School of Foreign Service Summer Program in Salzburg, Austria, sponsored by Georgetown University. During the early 1970s, she worked at the *Courier-Gazette* in Rockland as a photographer and darkroom technician, later accepting a position as a staff photographer at the *Bangor Daily News*. She married Steven Waterman in 1972 in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and they relocated to Maine in 1977, establishing their business, Waterman Oceanics. She was a first responder for the South Thomaston Ambulance Service and a member of the South Thomaston Planning Board. She also served as chair of the Knox County Budget Committee. Mrs. Waterman served on the MSAD No. 5 board of directors for 13 years, both as chair and as chief negotiator, and she served as chair and as chief negotiator on the Midcoast School of Technology board of directors. After taking the 100-hour course for reserve law enforcement officers, she worked at the Knox County Airport as an agent for Colgan Air in addition to working as a Knox County Sheriff's deputy at the airport. She will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by her family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1659)

Steven C. Hayworth, of Scarborough, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Steven, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 47, began as a Cub Scout when he was in the first grade. Over the years, he has served in the positions of Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader, Troop Guide and Order of the Arrow Troop Representative and also has served as the troop's bugler. In June 2005, Steven completed his eagle service project, which consisted of finishing off the youth room at the West Scarborough Methodist Church. We commend Steven for his efforts and extend him our congratulations on this milestone and his achieving this distinguished honor; (HLS 1660)

Joseph Louis Discatio, of Portland, veteran storekeeper and entrepreneur, on the honored occasion of his 90th birthday, February 19, 2006. Born in Portland's now-vanished "Little Italy" neighborhood, he is the son of Samuel Distasio and Carmella D'Allasandro, who had emigrated to America from Italy at the turn of the last century. The eldest of 6 children, as a boy he shined shoes to help support his family. Determined to get an education, he returned to studies in his 20s and proudly graduated from Portland High School in 1937. In 1938, he married Mary Fantasia, and during World War II worked in the South Portland shipyards. Beginning with a shoeshine stand in the Preble Barber Shop, he soon opened his first shop on Congress Street to block hats, sell papers and shine shoes. On August 12, 1945, he opened Joe's Smoke Shop near that first site, to serve Portland's busy post-war boom. For over 60 years Joe's Smoke Shop, still on the same site, has been a city landmark in Longfellow Square, serving Maine's sportsmen and politicians, the elite and the average, on the common ground of good talking, good food and good company. For over 45 years, Joseph Discatio personally presided over his store and its 3 generations of patrons. We salute his decades of hard work, dedication and demonstration of the promise of the American Dream; (HLS 1661)

S. Edwin Allen and Dorothy Irvin Allen, of Westfield, on the occasion of their 69th Wedding Anniversary, February 6, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Allen on this special occasion; (HLS 1662)

Marguerite Van Tassel, of Farmington, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, February 18, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Marguerite Van Tassel on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1663)

Muriel Gervais, of Augusta, on the occasion of her retirement after 26 years of dedicated service to the State of Maine. Mrs. Gervais has worked as a custodian for both the Cross Office Building and the State House in Augusta. She is well known for her cheerful demeanor, her ready smile and her sense of humor. She exemplifies the best of the Maine work ethic. We join all her friends and colleagues in wishing her a very well-deserved retirement; (HLS 1664)

Technical Sergeant John Kustron, Jr., of Waterboro, on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Air Force after 20 years of service. He joined the military in 1986 and went to Air Force Technical School to train as an airplane mechanic. His first tour of duty was at Loring Air Force Base in Maine. Other tours of duty, temporary and regular, included Florida, New Mexico, Texas, Virginia, the Azores, England, Scotland, Italy, Turkey, South Korea and Spain. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his Nation, and we send him our best wishes for his retirement and his future endeavors; (HLS 1665)

the following members of the Glenburn School Chess Team, upon their tying for second place in the regular season: Aaron Spencer, Ian Szydlo, Jonathan Belanger, Andrew Nesbitt, Patrick Hall, Amanda Spencer, Joseph Belanger and Brendan Hall. We send them our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1666)

Edward Stevens "Steve" Kierstead, of Fairfield. Mr. Kierstead served in the United States Army in the Pacific in World War II as a member of the last cavalry unit. After the war he returned to Fairfield and practiced dentistry for 40 years. Along with his wife Winnie, who predeceased him, he was a tireless worker for a variety of projects in his community. As an environmentalist, he worked on the Kennebec River Trail Project and Operation Canopy, and he was the driving force behind the restoration and expansion of Mill Island Park. He and his wife were the prime organizers of the first Fairfield Chocolate Festival, which recently celebrated its 13th year. He served on the committee to restore the Newhall fountain, was active in the Fairfield Senior Circle and at the age of 84 joined high school students as they walked to clean up the roadways during the Youth Day of Caring. In 2005 the Town of Fairfield recognized him and Winnie by dedicating the annual town report to them. He was a kind and gentle man and had only positive things to say about anyone. His passing leaves a large void in the community of Fairfield and in the hearts of those who were fortunate enough to have known him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1667)

the Shuman Family, of Winthrop, for their public service and dedication to the community and to the State. Charlie, Nancy, Steve, Stacey and Elissa Shuman were the United Way of Kennebec Valley Chairpersons. As a family, they served as leaders on the 2005 United Way campaign that raised over \$1,500,000. The United Way of Kennebec Valley serves 18 municipalities and helps support community agencies in many fields, such as health care, child care, domestic violence issues, emergency services, elder services, youth and teenage issues, mental health care, housing and unemployment. We acknowledge the exemplary work and dedication of the Shuman Family and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1668)

Garry Dyer, of Otisfield, upon his retirement after 20 years as Fire Chief. Mr. Dyer joined the Otisfield Fire Department at 16 years of age, has been a firefighter for 34 years and will continue serving with the department after his retirement as Chief. Mr. Dyer has always worked to create a positive environment at the

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fire department. During his tenure as Fire Chief, he enlisted new members and made upgrades to training. He has always made himself available to his firefighters as well as to the community. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Dyer on his retirement and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 1669)

Lenny Adler, of Otisfield, upon his retirement as town selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor on March 4th, after 38 years of dedicated service. Mr. Adler has been a constant presence in the community, serving as a member of the fire department since 1965 and as the assistant fire chief for 20 years. He was chair of the board of selectmen for many years and was an Oxford County Deputy Sheriff. He also served as road commissioner, Otisfield's health officer, town constable, snow plow operator, representative to the Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments, member of the Oxford County Regional Solid Waste Corporation, Maine Municipal Association Legislative Policy Committee, the Solid Waste-Septic Sludge Disposal Study Committee, Oxford-Otisfield Rescue and the Otisfield Ordinance Review Committee. His willingness to serve for so many years in numerous leadership positions expresses his commitment to the community and we commend him for his dedication to the town. We extend our best wishes to Mr. Adler for an enjoyable retirement; (HLS 1670)

Ronnie K. Belanger, of Bridgton, where he served as town manager. Mr. Belanger grew up on the family potato farm in Eagle Lake. After high school, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served on the USS Boston. Mr. Belanger attended the University of Maine at Fort Kent, earning a bachelor's degree in history. He later attended the University of Maine at Orono and earned a degree in public administration. In addition to his service as town manager of Bridgton, he also served as town manager for the towns of Princeton, Damariscotta, Richmond, Jackman and Clinton. Mr. Belanger was known for his prudent oversight of taxpayer's money, and his fellow citizens felt at ease with his monitoring of their town's finances. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Belanger for his commitment to the citizens of this State and extend our condolences to his family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1671)

Marybeth Hoover, of Bryant Pond, who is the recipient of a 2006 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer service. This award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to serving their communities. Marybeth, a senior at Oxford Hills Christian Academy, organized a school and community memorial assembly to honor the victims of September 11, 2001. We congratulate Marybeth on her receiving this award and thank her for her dedication to her community and State; (HLS 1672)

the Foxcroft Academy Wrestling Team, upon its winning the 2006 Eastern Maine Class C State Championship. The team has won 2 state titles and 2 regional titles as well as 4 Piscataquis Valley Conference titles. Twelve members of the team placed 3rd or better, and the following students were winners in their weight classes: Colby Johnson, Jerod Rideout, Nick Lancisi, James McPhee and Josh Pelletier. We congratulate Coach Luis Ayala and the members of the team on their achievements; (HLS 1673)

Bert Dutil, of Lewiston, a veteran of the Korean War, who will be presented with the following medals: the Army Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Service Medal with Bronze Star attached, the United Nations Korean Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Sharpshooter Badge with Rifle Bar. We extend our appreciation

to Mr. Dutil for his commitment to his State and Country and congratulate him on his receiving these medals; (HLS 1674)

the Bonny Eagle Boys Track Team, of Standish, upon its winning the 2006 Class A Boys Indoor Track State Championship. We send the members of the Bonny Eagle Scots our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1675)

John and Elizabeth Smith, of East Hartland, Connecticut and Monmouth, Maine, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, March 4, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have raised 5 children and have been involved in their community, working with the volunteer fire department, air museum, church and advocating for the mentally ill. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their golden anniversary; (HLS 1676)

Philip Chauncey Libby, of Buxton, who lived his life to the fullest and truly did it his way. Mr. Libby began racing the day Beech Ridge Speedway opened in 1949. He won hundreds of races all over Maine in a driving career that spanned nearly 40 years. In 1960, he had a season that many only dream of, winning 21 of 27 races at Beech Ridge and dominating the racing at Oxford Plains Speedway, where he won his first track championship. A five-term president of the Maine State Stock Car Racing Association, Mr. Libby was an ambassador of auto racing, particularly Maine auto racing, for nearly 55 years. In 2004, he was inducted into the Maine Motor Sports Hall of Fame and was honored in 2006 with induction into the New England Auto Racers Hall of Fame. He was also passionate about fly-fishing. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family, friends and colleagues; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1677)

Jeff Manchester, of Gorham, a senior at Gorham High School who has been nominated to the 2006 McDonald's All-American High School Basketball Team. We extend our congratulations to Jeff on this achievement; (HLS 1678)

Robert R. Doyle, of Gorham, beloved husband, father and grandfather. He and his wife Evelyn Yarumian Doyle were married for 33 years. Mr. Doyle began his career in the gasoline business working for the C.N. Brown Co. as a district supervisor and leasing his own garages in Portland and Gorham. In 1989, he built a convenience store named 3-D Variety and went on to establish and own businesses such as 3-D Energy, 3-D Storage and Redemption and Deer Pond Variety. Mr. Doyle excelled in sports in high school and continued with his love of baseball by playing in the Twilight League and the Over 40 League. He was active in Babe Ruth Leagues and enjoyed coaching his son's teams. He was an assistant coach at St. Joseph's College for 12 years. Mr. Doyle will be remembered as a person with a big heart and a caring and generous spirit and will be dearly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1679)

Cheryl Lee Rust, owner of Le Garage Restaurant in Wiscasset, who is the recipient of the Maine Tourism Award for Food Service. The award was presented by the Maine Office of Tourism and the Maine Tourism Commission at the annual Governor's Conference on Tourism in Augusta. These awards are given to those who lead by example in making Maine an attractive destination for visitors. Le Garage has been recognized as one of the midcoast's finest restaurants and has been featured in national magazines. Ms. Rust, in addition to her work in the restaurant, is also an active volunteer. She serves on the board of directors for the Miles Hospital and the Midcoast Hospital. We extend our congratulations to Cheryl Lee Rust on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1680)

Kevin Cooper, of Buxton, coach of the Bonny Eagle High School Football team, on his being named Coach of the Year by the *Maine Sunday Telegram* and the Southwestern Maine

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Activities Association. Coach Cooper's team won the 2005 Class A State Championship for the second year in a row, and one of his students, John Weichman, won the prestigious James J. Fitzpatrick Trophy as the top senior high school football player of the year. We acknowledge his dedication to the school, the team and the players and we send him our best wishes on his receiving these honors; (HLS 1681)

Margaret A. Strout, of Gorham, beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. Strout and her husband, Reverend Kingsley Strout, were married for 60 years. She graduated from Monson Academy, where she was salutatorian of her class, and also attended Farmington Normal School, Gorham Normal School and the University of Maine. She taught school in East Livermore, Pittsfield and Jay. Mrs. Strout will be dearly missed by her loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1682)

Janine Winn, of Temple, on the occasion of her retirement after 21 years as director of Franklin County's rape crisis center, Sexual Assault Victims Emergency Services, SAVES. Ms. Winn started as one of the first volunteers at SAVES and moved up to director. While director of SAVES, Ms. Winn saw the development of the Sexual Assault Response Team, where victims, law enforcement and the court system collaborate to obtain successful sexual assault prosecutions. The program resulted in the creation of the county's sexual assault, domestic violence and child abuse investigator position. We acknowledge the exemplary work and dedication of Ms. Winn and extend our best wishes to her in her future endeavors; (HLS 1683)

Maine Wood Turning, Inc., in New Vineyard, which is the recipient of the Maine Wood Products Association's 2005 Pine Tree Award. Owners Doug and Jody Fletcher and Andy Robbins have a long family history of entrepreneurial spirit. In 1971, Wayne and Earl Fletcher bought the run-down wood-turning mill, rebuilt the old building and repaired or replaced the machinery in it. In 1983, Wayne bought Earl's share of the company and when Wayne retired, he passed the reins to his sons Doug and Jody and son-in-law Andy. The family continued the expansion and improvements to the mill. We extend our congratulations to Maine Wood Turning on its receiving this prestigious award and wish it continued success in the future; (HLS 1684)

the *Franklin Journal* newspaper, upon its earning 2 New England Press Association awards in the 2005 Better Newspaper Contest. The contest received a record 6,200 entries from more than 350 newspapers representing the 6 New England states. Bobbie Hanstein was awarded a second-place honor in the contest's General News Story category and Steve Bull won a second-place honor in the contest's Humorist Columnist category. We send our congratulations to Ms. Hanstein and Mr. Bull and to the team at the *Franklin Journal* on exceptional work; (HLS 1685)

Philip B. Harrington, of Manchester, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 622, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This award is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Philip on this accomplishment; (HLS 1686)

the members of the John Bapst Memorial High School Jazz Band, on their performances at the District V Jazz Competition. The musicians earned the highest possible rating of "1" with a total score of 90.5 out of 100 points. We extend our congratulations to the band on its accomplishment; (HLS 1687)

Justin Bousfield, of Glenburn, a member of the John Bapst Memorial High School Jazz Band, on winning a top honors award for solo performance on piano at the District V Jazz Competition.

We send Justin our congratulations and best wishes on this accomplishment; (HLS 1688)

Bill Laughlin, of Levant, Penobscot County Deputy Sheriff, on the occasion of his retirement. He has been a contract deputy for the Town of Hermon since 1996. His tenure in Hermon was preceded by 28 years of service with the University of Maine's Department of Public Safety. We acknowledge his many years of dedicated service to his profession and to the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his well-deserved retirement; (HLS 1689)

United States Army Specialist Joshua Humble, of Appleton, during a security patrol in Baghdad, Iraq. Specialist Humble attended Camden Hills Regional High School in Rockport and he enlisted in the United States Army in January 2004. He was trained as a cavalry scout and was a member of the 10th Mountain Division based at Fort Drum, New York. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart and the Army Achievement Medal. We acknowledge his dedicated service and we recognize the ultimate sacrifice he made for his country. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and his grateful State and Nation; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1690)

Francis J. Megno, of Millinocket, on his retirement after 30 years of dedicated service to the Knights of Columbus Council #680 as Financial Secretary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (HLS 1691)

Frederick Kingsbury Bull II, of Freeport, as he celebrates his 80th Birthday, May 22, 2006. Born in New York City and raised in Litchfield, Connecticut, he volunteered to serve in World War II and eventually served stateside in the United States Air Force as an engineer after the war and during the Korean War. After his service, he lived in New York City, where he pursued his interest in photography, doing freelance work for *LOOK Magazine*. He also pursued a career in theater and stagecraft. While living and working in North Carolina during the 1950s and working in theatrical set construction and lighting, he taught stagecraft to noted actor Andy Griffith. Mr. Bull married Susan Leigh Bartlett and together they discovered Maine and developed a lasting love for our State. They commuted regularly from Connecticut to engage in outdoor activities, such as skiing at Pleasant Mountain in Bridgton, where they both became certified members of the National Ski Patrol. By 1967, they moved here permanently, making their home in Freeport. During his nearly 40 years in Freeport, Mr. Bull has been active in community affairs, primarily with Freeport Community Services. He is the father of 2 sons, Michael Bull and the Honorable Thomas Bull, former member of the Maine House of Representatives. We send Mr. Bull our congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of his 80th Birthday; (HLS 1692)

the Deering High School Boys Basketball team, the Rams, of Portland, on its winning the 2006 Class A State Championship. This is the first state championship for the Rams in 80 years. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1693)

the following members of the Presque Isle High School Girls Basketball Team, on their winning the 2006 Class B State Championship: team players Katie Delong, Kylan Smith, Moriah Morris, Katie Moody, Ingrid Braley, Ashley Cash, Janna Clukey, Chelsea Glovins, Shaina Watananuchit, Angela Norsworthy, Amy Michaud and Sarah Porter; Head Coach Jeff Hudson; Assistant Coach Monica Bearden; and Managers Robb Johnston and Brooke Buckley. This is the team's first state title since 1997 and it is their 3rd title overall. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1694)

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the following members of the Cony High School Girls Basketball Team, winners of the 2006 Eastern Class A State Championship: Coach Paul Vachon and players Margaret Rende, Cassie Cooper, Monica White, Courtney Dufour, Chelsea Soule, Jessica Golden, Heather Pratt, Molly Hopkins, Brittany Ford, Chelsea Arbour, Shelby Pelkey, Ashley Pratt, Kristi Violette, Rachel Mack, Anna Hall, Holly Parker and Kayla Belanger. The team finished the season with a 21-0 record and had a 43-game winning streak after going undefeated last year and winning the 2005 State Class A Championship. In Coach Vachon's 21-year career, he has won 6 state championships. We send our congratulations to the team on its achievement; (HLS 1695)

the Fort Fairfield Middle/High School Cheerleading Team, on its winning the 2006 Class D State High School Cheerleading Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1696)

85-year-old twin brothers Malcolm D. "Macky" Toothaker and Maurice "Monty" Toothaker as Noteworthy Residents of the Town of Avon. The brothers were raised on a farm in East Madrid and moved to Avon when they entered high school. They worked hard on their family's farm and were both talented athletes as students. Macky was recognized as one of the top cross-country runners in the United States, and Monty was inducted into the Maine Running Hall of Fame. Macky became an independent contractor and married Beverly Greenleaf. Monty was an independent lumber dealer. His 5 sons have served the State as game wardens and state policemen. We extend our congratulations to the Toothaker brothers of Avon and send them our best wishes; (HLS 1697)

Sylvia Holbrook, of New Vineyard, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday, February 26, 2006. Mrs. Holbrook was married to Irving Holbrook on January 28, 1932, and they were married 55 years, until Mr. Holbrook passed away in 1987. Mrs. Holbrook has 6 children, 18 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on this special birthday; (HLS 1698)

Gary Cook, of Livermore Falls, on the occasion of his retirement. Mr. Cook has faithfully served the labor movement for 31 years. He has been a local union officer and served as the Maine State AFL-CIO Secretary Treasurer. He has also served as staff representative for the United Paperworkers International Union as well as vice president and director of Region I of the United Paperworkers International Union, PACE and USW. We acknowledge his dedicated service to Maine's working families, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1699)

James E. Ryan, of Hampden, on the occasion of his retirement from the Orono State Police Barracks as the Emergency Communications Specialist Supervisor. Mr. Ryan began his career as a Police Communications Operator on August 27, 1973 and was promoted to Supervisor on April 7, 1985. We sincerely thank Mr. Ryan for his dedicated service and wish him well as he moves on to join Penobscot County as the Director of the Regional Communications Center. He will also be serving as a Reserve Police Officer with the Town of Hampden. We extend our best wishes to Officer Ryan in his retirement; (HLS 1700)

Martin "Greg" Curtis, of Avon, on January 2, 2006. Serving his 5th year as a Selectman for the Town of Avon, and intending to run again in March before becoming ill, Mr. Curtis had been named one of the Town of Avon's Noteworthy Residents. He and his wife, Sandra, were great volunteers for the town for its Community Celebration Day. He will be greatly missed and

fondly remembered by his loving family, friends and community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1701)

St. George Lodge #16, AF & AM, in Warren, on the special occasion of its 200th Anniversary, March 10, 2006. The Lodge has been and continues to be an important part of the Warren community, and it makes an outstanding contribution to the residents of the area through its charitable giving. We extend our congratulations to the members of St. George Lodge #16 in Warren as they celebrate this bicentennial; (HLS 1702)

Drew Landry, of Saco, a student at Saco Middle School, for his courageous decision to become a vocal spokesperson for students who have had to endure the taunts and threats of school bullies. Drew testified before the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs in support of legislation to amend the Student Code of Conduct in schools. This legislation, L.D. 564, was passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in July 2005. Drew is an example of how one person can make a difference in the lives of many by having the courage to speak up. We offer Drew our gratitude for his helping to make the people of Maine more attentive to the prevention of bullying in schools; (HLS 1703)

Katie Moskowitz, of Saco, a student at Saco Middle School, for her courageous decision to become a vocal spokesperson for students who have had to endure the taunts and threats of school bullies. Katie testified before the Joint Standing Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs in support of legislation to amend the Student Code of Conduct in schools. This legislation, L.D. 564, was passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in July 2005. Katie is an example of how one person can make a difference in the lives of many by having the courage to speak up. We offer Katie our gratitude for her helping to make the people of Maine more attentive to the prevention of bullying in schools; (HLS 1704)

the following members of the Sanford High School Girls Basketball Team, on their winning the 2006 Class A State Championship: players Kayla Winsor, Karyn Plante, Coleen Kumka, Kayla Plante, Samantha Jean, Lauren L'Heureux, Beth Fredette, Stephanie Butsicar, Jill Boyce, Mary Roberts and Marissa Laferte; captains Ashley Jean, Kayla Parker and Ruthie Briggs; and coaches Kristy Parent, Kendra Brown and Nate Mann. We also acknowledge the support of Athletic Administrator Gordon Salls, Principal Allan Young and Superintendent Jack Turcotte. We extend our congratulations to the team on this remarkable achievement; (HLS 1705)

the following members of the Lisbon High School Wrestling Team, who won the Class C State Championship: Nick Adams, Mike Bolduc, Cam Bubar, Tyler Clark, Dan Cornell, Jeff Cossar, Andrew Dubois, Ryan Giusto, Kelsey LeGloahec, Rachel LeGloahec, Mark Stambach, Rob Tietjen and Elijah Trefts. We also wish to honor the team's head coach, Mark Stevens, and assistants Bob Earle and Ted Albasini. We extend our congratulations to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 1706)

Lynn and Bob Graves, of Presque Isle, named 2006 Citizens of the Year by the Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce for their fundraising work. The Graves have raised thousands of dollars during the last 5 years through an annual golf tournament to benefit the Logan P. Graves Foundation. We send Lynn and Bob Graves our congratulations on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1707)

Presque Isle Inn and Convention Center, named as 2006 Business of the Year by the Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations to the center on receiving this honor; (HLS 1708)

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Audrey Thibodeau, of Presque Isle, who is the recipient of the Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce's Lifetime Achievement Award for her philanthropy and volunteer work. Ms. Thibodeau initiated a program for dyslexia in the local area, was involved with the International Pony Club and has been very involved with the creation of the Cultural and Museum Center at the old Presque Isle Firehouse. We congratulate Audrey Thibodeau on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1709)

Kylan Smith, of Presque Isle, a senior at Presque Isle High School, who is the recipient of the 2006 Principal's Award by the Maine Principals' Association for academic achievement and citizenship. We extend our congratulations to Kylan on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1710)

Tim Doak and Melanie Stewart, of Presque Isle, named as the 2006 Volunteers of the Year by the Presque Isle Area Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Doak and Ms. Stewart were the key leaders in organizing the 2006 Biathlon Junior World Championship. They received the award for their countless hours given to ensure that the international event ran smoothly and that the thousands of athletes, volunteers and spectators had a unique Aroostook experience. We congratulate Tim Doak and Melanie Stewart on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1711)

Jeanette Burque Pratt, of Fairfield, who was named as 2006 Maine Mother of the Year and is in contention for the National Mother of the Year Award through American Mothers Inc. Mrs. Pratt and her husband, Dr. Loring W. Pratt, moved to Maine in 1948. They lived in Waterville and Winslow and finally settled in Fairfield 55 years ago. She is the mother of George, Robert, Anne, Susan, Patricia, Harold, John, Kathleen and Ethel. Dr. and Mrs. Pratt celebrated their 61st anniversary this year and they have 28 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. She has been a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Fairfield for 55 years and has served as ballot clerk for the town for the past 10 years. She assists in the activities of the Fairfield History House and is a member of the Fairfield, Newhall Fountain Restoration Committee. Mrs. Pratt has been an active member and Merit Mother (1994) of American Mothers since 1994. She is very active in her community, and her volunteer work includes many worthwhile charitable causes. We extend to Mrs. Pratt our congratulations on her winning Maine Mother of the Year and we send her our best wishes on the national competition; (HLS 1712)

Hugh S. Kirkpatrick, of Caribou, recipient of the 2006 Caribou Chamber of Commerce and Industry Citizen of the Year Award for his dedication and commitment to the people and city of Caribou. Mr. Kirkpatrick has assisted the Caribou Development Corporation/Caribou Chamber of Commerce and Industry as an attorney for more than 25 years, in addition to administering his own legal practice. He serves on several boards and committees throughout Aroostook County and has been active in the Rotary Club. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Kirkpatrick on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1713)

the S.W. Collins Company, of Caribou, recipient of the 2006 Caribou Chamber of Commerce and Industry Business of the Year Award. Established in 1844, the business is under fifth-generation management and is a cornerstone of Caribou's business community. The company is a recurring sponsor of the Maine Junior Miss program and of an annual 5K race to benefit the United Way and has given to many other charitable and community organizations. We extend our congratulations to the S.W. Collins Company on its receiving this honor; (HLS 1714)

Mount Desert Island High School, the recipient of the Creative Ticket School of Excellence Award for outstanding achievement in arts education given jointly by the Maine Alliance for Arts

Education and the national Kennedy Center Alliance for Arts Education Network. Through the efforts of a supportive community and a dedicated faculty, students of Mount Desert Island High School enjoy education enriched by the arts. We extend our congratulations to the Mount Desert Island High School community on its receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1715)

Nelson Monteith, of Deer Isle, recipient of the Outstanding Advocate for Arts Education Award by the Maine Alliance for Arts Education. This award is given each year to an administrator who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and support of the arts, established exemplary or innovative arts education programs and promoted the importance of arts in the education of every child. Mr. Monteith is Auditorium Director of the Reach Performing Arts Center in Deer Isle, where he has provided unique and enriching programming and education for hundreds of students and community members. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1716)

Roland Boutin, of Lewiston, recipient of the 2006 John F. Murphy Homes, Inc., Lifetime Service Award for his many years of helping integrate people with disabilities into the community. Mr. Boutin is the father of a child with mental retardation and he has spent the past 50 years working to create a better life for people with disabilities. He has supported John F. Murphy Homes, Inc., since 1952 and became a board member that year. Mr. Boutin exemplifies the best in Maine people who give with selfless dedication to their communities. He has been a model citizen, husband and father, and we acknowledge the many contributions to his community and to the State of Maine. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1717)

the members of the Lewiston High School Bowling Team, on their winning the 2006 Maine State High School Team Bowling Championship. This is the team's second straight state victory. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1718)

the members of the Lewiston High School Boys Track Team, upon their winning the 2006 KVAC Track Championship. The team also tied for second place in the Class A Indoor Track State Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their accomplishments; (HLS 1719)

Norman Neil, of Wilton, on his 95th Birthday, March 8, 2006. Born in Weld, Mr. Neil has 5 children, 10 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 1720)

the following members of the Lake Region High School Girls Basketball Team, on winning the 2006 Western Maine Class B Championship: players Shannon Morton, Kate Callahan, Samantha Allen, ZZ Leighton, Kim Rivet, Brittany Latsey, Courtney McClean, Kayla Nowell, Krysti Leach, Erica Webb, Renee Nicholas and Emily Rowbotham; Head Coach Paul True; Assistant Coaches Pauline Webb, Kevin Hancock and Harry True; and Manager Charissa Carter. This is the first regional title for the team since 1977. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1721)

Matthew Whitcomb, of Scarborough, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 39, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Matthew on this achievement; (HLS 1722)

Helen Colburn, of Wilton, on the occasion of her 77th birthday, March 15, 2006. Mrs. Colburn is the mother of 3 children and she has 8 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Colburn and send her our best wishes; (HLS 1723)

the Maine Jewish Film Festival on playing a vital role in the artistic and cultural life of Maine for eight years. The festival attracts filmgoers of all ages from many sectors of the community from across the State and northern New England. It has presented more than 125 films to nearly 14,500 people, showing stories of universal themes and demonstrating the importance of film as a medium for intercultural exchange. The Maine Jewish Film Festival has been honored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for its Women Filmmakers Forum and by Equality Maine for exceptional commentary on civil rights. The festival lives up to its mission by entertaining a diverse community and educating about the Jewish experience through film. We extend our congratulations to all the people who have made this event so successful through the years, and we send our best wishes on its future success; (HLS 1724)

Lee Ann McKay, of Randolph, on her retirement after 8 years of dedicated service to the Legislature. Ms. McKay served as clerk for the Joint Standing Committee on State and Local Government during the Second Regular Session of the 118th Legislature. She was hired in 1998 by the House Republican Office as the Executive Secretary and was promoted to Legislative Aide. She is well liked and well respected by all who work with her. She is best known for her sunny disposition, willingness to help with any task and kind heart. She has been a valued member of the House Republican Office staff, and her dedication and hard work will be missed. We extend to her our congratulations and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1725)

Andrew Nesbitt, of Glenburn, winner of the Glenburn School Spelling Bee. Andrew also was a contestant in the County Bee. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this achievement; (HLS 1726)

Jessica Woods, of Glenburn, who won second place in the Penobscot Valley Spelling League Bee. We extend our congratulations to Jessica on this achievement; (HLS 1727)

Ronald N. Goggin, of Randolph, second-generation owner and operator of Goggin's IGA. Mr. Goggin was a caring citizen who was well-known in the community for helping many people and organizations. His many kindnesses will be long remembered. He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving wife, Anne, his family, his neighbors and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1728)

Josh Pelletier, of Dover-Foxcroft, a member of the 2006 Eastern Maine Class C Championship wrestling team at Foxcroft Academy, who is the 2006 New England Interscholastic Wrestling Champion in the 275-pound weight division. Josh defeated his opponent, the previously undefeated Connecticut state champion, in New Haven, Connecticut in spite of being outweighed by 35 pounds. He showed the true Foxcroft Academy spirit by defeating his opponent 5-1. We send him our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1729)

the members of the Glenburn School Math Team, who competed in the Winter Math Meet sponsored by the Eastern Maine Math League. The team competed against 9 other schools in Eastern Maine. The following students won individual awards: Grade 6: Jonathan Belanger, Top Ten; Grade 7: Andrew Nesbitt, First Place and Drew Priode, Top Ten; Grade 8: Patrick Hall, Second Place; Ian Szydio, Third Place; and Aaron Spencer,

Top Ten. We extend our congratulations to these students on their achievements; (HLS 1730)

the members of the Glenburn School Math Team who competed in the Winter Math Meet sponsored by the Eastern Maine Math League. The team competed against 9 other schools in Eastern Maine. The following students, members of Grade 8, Team 1, won second place in the competition: Nikki Holland, Ian Szydio, Morgan Rublee and Patrick Hall. We extend our congratulations to these students on their achievements; (HLS 1731)

Deven Romain, of Glenburn, who has qualified to represent Glenburn School at the state level of the National Geographic Bee at the University of Maine at Farmington. We extend our congratulations to Deven and send him our best wishes; (HLS 1732)

the following students of the Glenburn School Band, who have been selected to attend the District V Elementary Honors Festival in April: Morgan Cushing, flute; Amanda Long, clarinet; Greg Plank, alto saxophone; Amber Oakes, trombone; and Deven Romain, percussion. We extend our congratulations to these students for being chosen to participate in the festival; (HLS 1733)

the following members of the Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School Boys Basketball Team, on winning the 2006 State Class D Championship: Shaun Walling, Cameron York, Taylor McLaughlin, Andrew York, Tim Carlson, Sam Clockedile, Eric Martinez, Emmanuel Martinez, Logan McCarthy and Blake McCarthy; Coach Timothy Brewer; Assistant Coaches Craig Allen and Bryan Grew; and Managers Miranda Lento, Danielle Cropley and Brittany Clark. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1734)

the members of the Lewiston Maineiacs, the only United States-based member of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, as they complete the team's very successful third season: players Jonathan Bernier, Travis Fullerton, Brandon Roach, Chad Denny, Pier-Luc Champagne, Marc-André Cliche, Stefano Giliati, Jonathan Paquet, Marc-André Crete, Derek Bailey, Marc-André Daneau, Jakub Bundil, Chris Tutalo, Mathieu Aubin, Éric Castonguay, Stefan Chaput, Rob McCarthy, Maxime Mathieu, Kevin Marshall, Sébastien Piché, Michal Korenko, Jonathan Paiement and David Taylor; head coach and general manager Clem Jodoin; assistant coaches Edward A. Harding and Jeff Guay; and athletic trainer Thomas S. Bourdon. We commend the individual players, their coaches; and the Maineiacs management for their many positive contributions to our community, and we look forward to many more seasons with them; (HLS 1735)

the Old Town High School United States Army Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) program, which has achieved the status of Honor Unit with Distinction, the highest unit award in the United States Army JROTC program, upon completion of its first Annual Formal Inspection. The JROTC program teaches cadets good citizenship through community involvement; to communicate using verbal, non-verbal, visual and written techniques; to take responsibility for actions and choices; to treat self and others with respect; and how to apply critical thinking techniques. The Old Town JROTC is led by retired Lieutenant Colonel Amedeo J. Lauria, and he and the cadets have spent the past three and a half years working hard to ensure they would all be ready for this inspection. The inspection was conducted by 2 officers from Area Command Dix located at Fort Dix, New Jersey. The cadets were evaluated as a full battalion and also in individual areas. The unit received high marks in individual inspection, the color guard and drill team

performances and the Unit Status briefing and received commendation from the inspection team on 4 of the 5 staff areas. The receipt of this standing represents years of dedication and commitment and is truly a significant accomplishment. We extend our congratulations to the instructors and the cadets, and to all those involved in this honor. We send them our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1736)

Shawn Boucher, of Madawaska, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Shawn for his selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1737)

Scott Carson, of Presque Isle, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Scott for his selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1738)

Jackie White, of Houlton, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Jackie for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1739)

Nikki Hallett, of Presque Isle, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Nikki for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1740)

Christine Smith, of Portland, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Christine for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1741)

Jackie Winslow, of Presque Isle, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Jackie for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1742)

Theresa Dow, of Caribou, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Theresa for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1743)

Diana Doody, of Mapleton, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Diana for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1744)

Andrea Perkins, of Easton, a student at Northern Maine Community College and a member of Alpha Beta Gamma, who went to the Perkinston, Mississippi area to perform community service and provide support to the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Andrea for her selfless work for people in need; (HLS 1745)

the members of Alpha Beta Gamma, students at Northern Maine Community College in Presque Isle, and their advisor Pam Crawford, on their community service work in the Perkinston,

Mississippi area. These students forewent a planned trip to Quebec to provide support to people whose homes were severely damaged by Hurricane Katrina. We commend Alpha Beta Gamma and Pam Crawford for their dedicated service to people in need; (HLS 1746)

Howie Carr, a native of Portland, and now a resident of Massachusetts, on his earning a spot on the *New York Times* Bestseller list with his nonfiction book *The Brothers Bulger*. Mr. Carr is an award-winning journalist and highly rated talk show host in the greater Boston area and the rest of New England. We send him our congratulations on this achievement; (HLS 1747)

the Honorable Lucien "Babe" Dutremble, of Biddeford, who served as mayor, city councilor, state representative and county commissioner during a political career that spanned 6 decades. He served as a member of the Maine House of Representatives during the 108th, 109th, 113th-116th and 118th Legislatures. Mr. Dutremble was a dedicated public servant whose efforts and commitment improved the lives of the people of Biddeford, York County and this State. During World War II he served with the United States Marine Corps. He owned and operated the Dutremble Brothers Market for 25 years. Behind the grocery store, he and his brothers established the Blue Diamond Club as a clubhouse for neighborhood kids. Mr. Dutremble enjoyed local and professional sports and closely followed the activities of his children and grandchildren. We extend our condolences to his loving family. Mr. Dutremble will be greatly missed by his family, friends, colleagues and others that he met during his public service to his community and State; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1748)

Melanie Dorice Saucier, of Fort Kent, who at the age of 10 has already thrilled thousands of people with her exceptional voice and charming personality. She has garnered rave reviews at special events, radiothons, telethons, festivals, concerts and benefit appearances as well as in church choirs throughout Maine and the other New England states and the Maritime Provinces and Quebec in neighboring Canada. She has often won the top prize in musical contests in Canada where few Americans have appeared, let alone win. Her ever-expanding repertoire includes not only traditional French, Canadian and Franco-American songs, but also songs in Latin and Italian. She has sung the American national anthem in French and English in both the House and Senate for 5 successive years, starting on her 6th birthday. Her melodious voice has graced the annual Franco-American Day through her solo concerts under the Rotunda, providing a peaceful respite during an often hectic day. She has many friends and fans at the Capitol who have been intently following her promising career. This bilingual musical prodigy has already sung with her favorite international group, Sweet People, when on tour in Canada and has accepted their invitation to sing with them in their native Switzerland. She will travel to Las Vegas with her parents to meet with Celine Dion, her favorite female singer. In the fall of 2004, Melanie launched her first CD, entitled "Crossing Borders." We wish Melanie success in her future endeavors; (HLS 1749)

Yvon Labbé, on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Labbé is the founder of the Centre Franco-Américain at the University of Maine and has been its executive director since 1972. His work encompasses the preservation of the many linguistic, cultural and historical treasures of the large francophone population of Maine and includes, among many other efforts, making the general public aware of the many monolingual French Mainers in the State's mental health hospitals who are unable to communicate due to the language barrier. He has initiated annual conferences on multiculturalism in Maine, educating teachers and the community. Mr. Labbé has

coordinated exchanges with France, Canada, Africa and Haiti for several decades, and he is cofounder and vice-president of Le Forum Francophone des Affaires, offering the United States opportunities in trade and business with the rest of the francophone world. He founded the successful bilingual newspaper at the University of Maine, *Le Forum*, as well as the multicultural magazine *Maine Mosaic*. He was one of the organizers of the Maine Kennebec/Chaudière Heritage Tourism Project, which has been successful in both Maine and Québec. Mr. Labbé has been involved in many television projects on the Maine Public Broadcasting Network and other networks, as well as teaching college courses with bilingual and bicultural objectives. He has participated in several world summits with francophone heads of state. His vision, expertise and commitment to the French heritage and francophone presence in the State of Maine have been the inspiration to many students and colleagues in working for full recognition of the many contributions of Franco-Americans, and working to use the potential of the French language and culture on the international stage. Mr. Labbé has undergraduate and graduate degrees in French from the University of Maine and is a son of the Beauce Region of Québec. We send him our appreciation for all his work and commitment to the State of Maine and its French heritage and we congratulate him on his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (HLS 1750)

Corporal Richard Pelletier, Jr., of Madawaska, for his tireless advocacy and lobbying for veterans' rights. Corporal Pelletier is devoted to helping veterans by advising them of their potential benefits and helping them prepare claims. As American Legion Service Officer for American Legion Post No. 143 in Fort Kent, he has responded promptly and effectively to the needs of his fellow veterans by negotiating with state and federal bureaucracies. Last year, while perusing the Canadian news on the Internet, he discovered that Agents Orange, Purple and White had been sprayed in the past over the Canadian military post in Gagetown, New Brunswick, where the Maine National Guard has trained over the years. His findings prompted an investigation on the American side of the border. Corporal Pelletier served in the United States Marine Corps and the Maine Army National Guard in the 1970s. He sustained injuries while serving in the Marines. He has been awarded a Citation for Meritorious Service from the National Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Commission. He is a lifetime member of and van driver for the Disabled American Veterans, a hospice volunteer and a CCD teacher. Corporal Pelletier is the son of Richard and Claudine Pelletier and the father of Alan, Robin, Ritchie and Chantalle. We extend our appreciation to Corporal Pelletier for his commitment to the veterans of this State; (HLS 1751)

Alcee and Cecile Vigue, of Waterville, on their induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. and Mrs. Vigue have worked to support the French Reacquisition Project in Waterville and have been featured in the documentary film, "Waking Up French," by Maine filmmaker Ben Levine. They have been involved members of the Franco-American Heritage Society of the Kennebec Valley, helping out on guided tours of the "Museum in the Streets," with schools and visitors. Mr. Vigue is involved with the "Bavards," who meet every Saturday morning to help those who are reclaiming their native French or learning it for the first time. The Vigues have hosted several French language gatherings in their home and enjoy all things French. Both husband and wife emigrated from Canada to the United States in the 1930s and Mr. Vigue served in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1945 and saw action at the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa on a destroyer built in Bath. One of his fondest

memories was witnessing the raising of the American flag on Iwo Jima. After the war, Mr. Vigue worked at Keyes Fiber for 44 years. Since his retirement in 1985, he has been cooking at the Sacred Heart Soup Kitchen and has been a scout master and commander of his American Legion post. Mrs. Vigue attended Notre Dame Parochial School and later received her high school diploma through the Waterville Adult Education program. She is an accomplished cook and seamstress and does beautiful handiwork for her family and for donations to children's charities. She is active in the community, including the Ladies of St. Anne Sodality, where she served as president, and Maine General Hospital, where she served as a volunteer. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vigue on their induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1752)

Anne L. Roy, of Van Buren, on her induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mrs. Roy has been a remarkable force for the preservation of the French-Acadian heritage of the St. John Valley and the rest of Maine. For several years, she has been the director of the Acadian Village in Van Buren. She oversees the repairs and growth of the Village, which is a replica of Acadian life in northern Aroostook County in the early 1900s. Mrs. Roy was instrumental in planning and developing onsite the Levasseur-Dube Museum, the Martine Pelletier Book Nook and the Violette Industrial Building. Since 1982, she has also been the president of L'Héritage Vivant-Living Heritage Historical Society. She is the director of the Maine Acadian Heritage Council and vice-president of Le Club Français. A native of the St. John Valley, she has taught for 38 years, with 34 of those years at the former Loring Air Force Base in Limestone and in the town. Retired from full-time teaching in 2003, she now works part-time with special needs children in M.S.A.D. #24. She actively volunteers in the community as secretary of the Daughters of Isabella, is a member in good standing with the Friends of the Morneau Library in Van Buren, is chair of Mercy Meals for her church and is a member of the local American Legion Auxiliary. Mrs. Roy has a special place in her heart for her many elderly friends and is a familiar face at Borderview Nursing Home in Van Buren. In 2001, Mrs. Roy was the recipient of the Alumna of the Year Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent. She is presently the coordinator for the Town of Van Buren's 125th Anniversary Celebration, as well as the Acadian Village's 30th Anniversary. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Roy on all her accomplishments and send her our congratulations on being inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (HLS 1753)

Peter Thompson, of Manchester, recipient of the 2006 Outstanding Citizen of the Year award given by Le Club Calumet. Mr. Thompson is a tireless community leader who is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Chamber of Commerce Executive of the Year. He has been the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce for 17 years. He also has been the spokesperson for Central Maine Power Company for 21 years. Mr. Thompson served as the Mayor of Augusta for 4 terms and facilitated economic development in the Kennebec Valley in the Augusta and Waterville areas. We send our congratulations to Mr. Thompson on his receiving this prestigious award and extend our appreciation to him for his dedication to the citizens of the Capital Area; (HLS 1754)

Ronald McComb, of Lincoln, upon the occasion of his retirement from the Lincoln Fire Department. Mr. McComb began his career more than 43 years ago as a call member. He later served as a firefighter and engineer, and for a time he served as



interim Lincoln Fire Chief. We extend our appreciation to Mr. McComb for his dedicated service to his community throughout the years, and we send him our best wishes as he continues his service with the Lincoln Call Company and the Lincoln Fire Department; (HLS 1755)

Doris I. Lowell, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement after more than 25 years as bookkeeper for the town. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Lowell for her commitment to the citizens of Millinocket and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1756)

David Kearns, of Gorham, on his 35 years of dedicated service in law enforcement. Mr. Kearns was hired in 1971 by Chief Cortland Tice, started the Cumberland County Task Force in 1978 and was appointed Detective for the Gorham Police Department in 1983. We extend our appreciation to Officer Kearns for his commitment to the citizens of Maine and wish him the best in his future endeavors; (HLS 1757)

the following members of the Maranacook Community High School Girls Alpine Ski Team, of Readfield, on their winning the 2006 Class B State Championship: skiers Alice Berry, Mary Berry, Jillian Blouin, Sasha Bogdan, Jen Bourget, Kayla Brown, Ashley Cox, Emily Crowell, Hannah DeAngelis, Katie Dutille, Katie Evans, Lauren Fish, Lyvia Gaewsky, Amy Gifford, Whitney Gill, Emily Harriman, Dencie Leveen, Val Lucas, Jen Monsulick, Catherine Nurse, Liz Nurse, Emily Perkins, Emma Prysunka, Monica Purington, Haley Schwartz, Aashley Thompson, Jane Tyler, Katie Whittemore, Morgan Wick and Annah Young; Head Coaches Ronn Gifford and Steve DeAngelis; and Assistant Coaches John Whitney and Kim Lynch. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (HLS 1758)

Shawn Theriault, of Gray, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Shawn on his accomplishment; (HLS 1759)

the following members of the Winthrop High School Boys Basketball Team, on their winning the 2006 Western Maine Class C Championship: players Tyler Cobb, Ezra Damm, Jake Steele, Kyle Plossay, Jason Ridley, Tim Gingras, Skyler Whaley, Mike Gingras, Nate Damm, Tyler Smithgall, Corey Gillespie and Sam Leclerc; Coach Leclerc and Coach Dacus; Manager Jeff Miles; and Mr. Tucker. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this achievement; (HLS 1760)

Laura Lee Page, of Cape Elizabeth, beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. Page worked at Cape Elizabeth Middle School and as an admissions councilor at the University of New England and as a customer service representative for L.L. Bean. She was active in community volunteer work as the secretary of the Little League and chairperson of Project Graduation and she was also involved in the Cape Elizabeth Soccer Boosters, helping to establish a scholarship fund. She will be remembered by all who knew her for her indomitable spirit, love, laughter and outreaching strength for others. She will be missed by her loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1761)

Gladys Bradeen, of Waterboro, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, February 15, 2006. Mrs. Bradeen was educated in the Dayton schools and attended Thornton Academy in Saco. She lived through the Great Depression and "The Fire" of 1947. After the fire, in which she and her husband lost their home, she and her husband were able to rebuild and they had a roadside vegetable and fruit stand. She also worked in the mills in Sanford and Limerick. In her long life, Mrs. Bradeen has seen and

experienced many changes throughout the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1762)

Officer Anthony Camporale, of Rockland, who was named 2005 Rockland Police Officer of the Year for his professionalism and hard work. We extend our congratulations to Officer Camporale on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1763)

Dr. Paul W. Kinnear, of Scarborough, who is the recipient of the 2005 Owner of the Year Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Dr. Kinnear on his receiving this award; (HLS 1764)

Sandra Hall, of Scarborough, who is the recipient of the 2005 Horse Breeder (Avid) of the Year Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Hall on her receiving this award; (HLS 1765)

Richard C. Hartley, of Bangor, who is the recipient of the 2005 Breeder of the Year (Pacers) Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Hartley on his receiving this award; (HLS 1766)

Valerie Grondin, of Standish, who is the recipient of the 2005 Horse Trainer of the Year Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Grondin on her receiving this award; (HLS 1767)

William E. Varney, of Bangor, who is the recipient of the 2005 Owner of the Year (Pacers) Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Varney on his receiving this award; (HLS 1768)

Dr. Douglass Hutchins, of Saco, who is the recipient of the 2005 Owner of the Year Award and the President's Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Dr. Hutchins on his receiving these awards; (HLS 1769)

Heath Campbell, of Bangor, recipient of the 2005 Leading Driver Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Campbell on his receiving this award; (HLS 1770)

Ival "Bud" R. Cianchette, of Falmouth, who is the recipient of the Special Commitment Award presented by the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association. Mr. Cianchette is past president of Bangor Historic Track, Inc., the investors group that operated the Bangor raceway. He has owned Standardbreds since 1970 and operated a breeding farm in Pittsfield from 1973 to 1990. He bred and raced Chinbro Knoxvel, the first 2-minute 2-year-old in Maine and winner of the 2-year-old colt division of the Royal Stallion Stake in 1988. He was a member of the Maine Harness Horsemen's Association, president of the Maine Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association, member and director of the Massachusetts Standardbred Owners Association, member and director of the Downeast Harness Horsemen's Association and chair of the State Harness Racing Commission. During his time as chair of the State Harness Racing Commission, he was instrumental in developing the Maine Standardbred Breeders Stake. He received the Maine Harness Horsemen's Association Distinguished Citizen Award in 1980 and the Maine's Distinguished Citizen Award in 1988 and was named Maine Business Leader of the Year by the Maine Chamber of Commerce and Industry in 1990. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Cianchette on his accomplishments; (HLS 1771)

Matthew A. Homich, of Ellsworth, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew on his accomplishment; (HLS 1772)

the anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus, March 29, 2006. On October 2, 1881, a small group of men called together by Father Michael J. McGivney met at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut to form a fraternal society that would one day become the world's largest Roman Catholic family fraternal service organization. The Knights of Columbus was incorporated on March 29, 1882 under the laws of Connecticut and named in honor of Christopher Columbus, who introduced Christianity to the New World. Praised by popes, presidents and other world leaders, there are more than 1.7 million members around the world. The principles of the Order are Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. In the past 10 years, the members of the Knights of Columbus have raised \$1.174 billion for charitable causes and provided in excess of 560 million hours of volunteer efforts in support of charity. We extend our congratulations to the good members of the Knights of Columbus in this State and around the world for their generosity and exemplary contributions to society; (HLS 1773)

Christopher P. Mosca, of Augusta, principal at Greely High School, who has been named Maine's 2006 High School Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. Mr. Mosca's contributions to the profession are a testament to his desire to provide the students of Greely High School with the best learning environment possible. He received a bachelor of science degree from Trinity College, a master's degree from Plymouth State University and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies from Castleton State College. Mr. Mosca was also the principal at Cony High School in Augusta, at Goffstown Area High School in New Hampshire and at Springfield High School in Vermont, as well as assistant principal at Rutland High School in Vermont. He was a teacher and athletic coach at Windsor High School in Vermont, at LaLumiere School in LaPorte, Indiana and at Eagle Hill School in Hardwick, Massachusetts. Mr. Mosca has also volunteered as a youth soccer coach for the Augusta Recreation Department and as a softball coach for the Capital Area Youth Softball Association. We acknowledge Mr. Mosca's many skills and abilities and extend our appreciation to him for all that he has done to prepare the young people of this State for tomorrow's challenges; (HLS 1774)

Bruce Powell, of Hanover, on the occasion of his retirement as Business Manager of Maine School Administrative District No. 44, a position he has held for the past 21 years. Mr. Powell has been a very active Rotarian, and he serves on the River Valley Growth Council and remains active in the Maine Association of School Business Officials. He is a longtime selectman in the Town of Hanover and also serves as a member of the group that brought the Mountain Explorer transportation system to the Bethel area. We are grateful for the dedication Mr. Powell has shown over the years and wish him well in his retirement; (HLS 1775)

Lionel Gilbert, of Manchester, on the occasion of his 90th Birthday, March 29, 2006. Mr. Gilbert, who has lived in Manchester since he was 3 weeks old, has been very active in the civic affairs of the town. He was elected Tax Collector and Treasurer of Manchester at the age of 21 prior to serving in the United States Air Force as a gunnery sergeant. He has also served on the Fire Department, the Board of Selectmen and the

Planning Board. Mr. Gilbert has been married since 1944 and he and his wife Betty have 4 children, 1 grandchild and 4 great-grandchildren. We send Mr. Gilbert our congratulations on his birthday; (HLS 1776)

Hanley Denning, of Yarmouth, founder and director of Safe Passage, an organization dedicated to provide an education to children of families who live at the garbage dump of Guatemala City, Guatemala. Ms. Denning, a native of Yarmouth and Cumberland and a graduate of Bowdoin College, first visited Guatemala City in 1999 and was brought to the garbage dump by a friend. She found a community of children and families who made their home surviving as scavengers in the mountains of garbage around them. In an effort to bring hope and a better future to these people, she founded Safe Passage to enable children to move beyond their poverty in a dignified and permanent way through education. Due to her passion and dedication, Safe Passage has made a brighter future for more than 540 children. Several of the original class of students were accepted this year into a prestigious private school based on their academic achievement. Ms. Denning has also given much to the State of Maine by involving local community, school, church and business groups in the Safe Passage mission. Mainers returning from volunteer work at Safe Passage in Guatemala City describe their experience as life-transforming. Ms. Denning's decision to act on the tragic circumstances she witnessed has produced a ripple effect from Guatemala to Maine, producing an inspiring example of what can be accomplished through compassion and commitment. We extend our appreciation to Hanley Denning for her years of dedication to the children and families of Safe Passage; (HLS 1777)

Amanda Clockedile, of Mars Hill, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 121, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Amanda on this accomplishment; (HLS 1778)

Katie Finemore, of Mars Hill, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 121, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Katie on this accomplishment; (HLS 1779)

Arthur LaChance, of Old Orchard Beach, on the occasion of the dedication of the Old Orchard Beach High School Baseball Field in his honor for his many years of service to sports, the school, the students and the Town of Old Orchard Beach. Mr. LaChance was a longtime faculty member of Old Orchard Beach High School and coached from 1959 to 1993, with a few years off. He has stayed active with the school as a member of the chain crew during the football season and also keeps the clock in field hockey games. We acknowledge his dedication to his community and we congratulate him on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1780)

Megan Blythe Perry, of Portland, an activist, environmentalist and communicator, who, as the leader of the People's Free Space, a community organization she helped found in Portland 3 years ago, went to New Orleans to work on Katrina Relief in the "Frida Bus." The Frida Bus, a biodiesel-fueled former school bus that had been turned into a mobile center for social activism, carried Ms. Perry and her coworkers of the People's Free Space to New Orleans twice in 2005 to aid victims of Hurricane Katrina. While she was in New Orleans, Ms. Perry gutted houses, cleared debris, planted a garden, recruited volunteers and became proficient with a chainsaw. She loved to read to children and

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often visited schools to help with their reading programs. She was passionate about social justice, sustainable energy, organic agriculture and the protection of the earth's resources and environment. We acknowledge the exemplary work and dedication of Ms. Perry. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1781)

Devon Ohmart, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 16, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Devon on this achievement; (HLS 1782)

Jamie Ecker, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 16, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jamie on this achievement; (HLS 1783)

Luke J. Beland, of Bangor, of Boy Scout Troop #8, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Luke on his accomplishment; (HLS 1784)

Michael G. Farrar, of Bangor, of Boy Scout Troop #8, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Michael on his accomplishment; (HLS 1785)

Rebecca Schoen, of Temple, a student at Mt. Blue High School, on winning two second-place awards in the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference championships, a second-place award in the Class A freestyle and a third-place award in the Class A classical event. For her strong work ethic and for setting an example of excellent team leadership during the ski season, Rebecca has been named the *Morning Sentinel* Girls Nordic Skier of the Year. We send her our congratulations on her accomplishments and our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 1786)

the Mt. Blue High School Boys Ski Team, the 2006 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Runners-Up in Class A. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their accomplishments; (HLS 1787)

Guido "Gil" Dionne, of Sanford, beloved husband, father and Pepere. Mr. Dionne was a veteran of the United States Army. He married his wife Linda Davis on October 12, 1974. Gil started his own office, Gil Dionne Realty, in 1983 and was a member of the York County Board of Realtors, as well as the national and state boards. He was a great teacher to many real estate agents. An active member of the community, he volunteered on many town and organizational committees, including the Sanford Springvale Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, the Lafayette Club, the Knights of Columbus and the Elks. He loved sports and played ice hockey, softball and racquetball. He coached his daughters in softball and soccer. Mr. Dionne was a caring and giving person and will be fondly missed by his loving family, colleagues and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1788)

the following members of the Lewiston High School Boys Hockey Team, on their winning the 2006 Eastern Class A Hockey Championship: players Brian Nason, Zack Blauvelt, Ian Doucette, Danny Cloutier, Brandon Girardin, Tim Gilbert, Toby

Poirier, Matt Letourneau, Jake Brown, Travis Lebrun, Jon Roy, Jordan Bourgoin, Kevin LeBlanc, Nathan Parker, Casey Poussard, Andrew Joy, Robbie Leeman and Zack Plourd; head coach Norm Gagne; assistant coaches Jay Dufour, Jeff Ross, Joe Mynahan and Richard Boulet; trainer Mary Brit; and athletic director Jason Fuller. We extend our congratulations to the team on this accomplishment; (HLS 1789)

Dale Duff, of Bangor, program director and sportscaster for all-sports radio station WZON-AM in Bangor, who has been named as Maine Sportscaster of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Duff on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1790)

Larry Mahoney, of Bangor, a sportswriter at the *Bangor Daily News*, who has been named the 2005 Maine Sportswriter of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association for the second time in three years and for the fifth time in a long and accomplished career. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Mahoney on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1791)

Robert W. Fickett, of South Portland, on his retirement from the South Portland City Council, where he has served the people of South Portland with distinction for the past 23 years in elected office. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine, and we send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (HLS 1792)

Deborah Bradburn, of York, on her nomination as the 2007 Maine Teacher of the Year. A teacher at Coastal Ridge Elementary School, Ms. Bradburn is to be commended for her 25 years of educating young people. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bradburn on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1793)

David Hale Jackson, of Berwick, longtime educator and municipal officer for the Town of Berwick. Mr. Jackson was a veteran of the United States Army. He began his teaching career at Oxford Hills High School in South Paris and taught English at Noble High School in Berwick for 25 years. Mr. Jackson served as a selectman, a planning board member, a member of the Berwick Democratic Committee and a police commission member. He also worked for the Berwick Water Department. He was a longtime member of the Berwick Library Board, serving as treasurer and president. He was named Citizen of the Year in 2001 by the American Legion and he was the editor of the local newsletter, "Mainely Berwick." He will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1794)

Hazel Dummer, a resident of Weld, living in Phillips and born in North Jay, on the celebration of her 104th birthday, April 26, 2006. Mrs. Dummer was married to her husband Richard for 53 years. She and her husband ran Dummer's Beach, a landmark in Weld. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Dummer on this very special occasion; (HLS 1795)

Sam Webber, of New Vineyard, a sophomore at Mt. Blue High School, who is the *Morning Sentinel* wrestler of the year. Sam, wrestling at 119 pounds, had a 32-1 season. He won the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference and the Eastern Maine Class A titles and finished second in the state meet. We extend our congratulations to Sam on these achievements; (HLS 1796)

Bernal and Patricia Allen, of Wilton, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Allen were married on May 27, 1956 at the Wilton Methodist Church. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this golden anniversary; (HLS 1797)

Lieutenant Christopher Grotton, a 16-year veteran of the Maine State Police, of Glenburn, on his recent graduation from the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy in

Quantico, Virginia. Lt. Grotton was one of 250 other executives from the United States and 23 other countries attending an 11-week program that focuses on educational classes, physical fitness and specialized law enforcement topics. We send our congratulations to Lt. Grotton on his completing this prestigious program and best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 1798)

the following members of the Gray-New Gloucester High School Girls Basketball Team, which is the recipient of the Western Maine Class B Tournament Sportsmanship Award: Captain Stephanie Googins, Ana Danieli, Jen Farynaz, Danielle Humphrey, Olivia Ryan, Brittany Humphrey, Julia Hartig, Chelsey Durgin, Alyssa Kenney, Amanda Valente, Rachel Clement and Terri-Lynn Sanborn, and Coach Harvey Moynihan and Assistant Coaches Jay Wilkins and Scott Moynihan. The team members have made their schoolmates, teachers, coaches, families and towns very proud. The award recognizes their court conduct as the conduct of winners. We extend our congratulations to the team on its receiving this award; (HLS 1799)

the following members of the CheerZone All Star cheerleading squad, "the Maine Rebelz," on their winning first place in the Small Senior All Star division at the Northeast Winter Blast Cheerleading Competition at the University of New Hampshire: Asia Long, Chelsea Renaud, Mandi Poag, Iesha Long, Maura Evans, Jenn Colby, Laura Hayward, Jenn Quintana, Emily Cowling, Natasha Richardson, Ashley Greene, Amber Greene, Amy Brooker, Deanne Sprague, Brittany Ingerson, Rachel Emery, Nikki Grant, Elaina Wakely and coach Stefanie Stoddard. They will attend "The Final Destination" national cheerleading competition in Baltimore on May 6 and 7, 2006. The squad had also participated in "The Cheers From the Heart" cheerleading fundraiser at Noble High School in Berwick. This annual fundraiser has raised over \$60,000 for Maine charities during the past 8 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Maine Rebelz on their winning this competition; (HLS 1800)

the Community Television Network, TV 4, of Portland, on the honored occasion of its 20th anniversary. Founded to support, strengthen and enrich the sense of community in Maine's largest city, CTN assists its citizens and civic institutions to seek their greatest potential through public access to new electronic communications media. Annually, CTN trains almost 100 volunteers in the production arts, and airs almost 300 hours of locally produced first-run programming, plus an additional 300 hours of original works produced in the Greater Portland area. Scores of volunteers produce multi-lingual programs profiling such things as ethnic festivals, civic meetings, medical developments, teen and youth issues, sports, arts exhibitions, senior citizen issues and religious services, encompassing the rich diversity of life in Portland, Longfellow's beloved city "that is seated by the sea." We salute their achievements and wish CTN well in its many future broadcasts; (HLS 1801)

Alysha Michaud, of Waterboro, an eighth grader at Massabesic Junior High School, who won the Native American History and Culture Essay Contest for the Middle School Division. Alysha participated in the contest by exploring Maine native history and writing an essay entitled "Don't You Wish You Had A Magic Wand?" The contest is dedicated to Passamaquoddy Chief Melvin Francis, who worked hard to make life better for his people, especially children and students. We extend our congratulations to Alysha on her outstanding achievement and commend her for taking the opportunity to share and showcase what she has learned about Maine native history; (HLS 1802)

Caroline S. Mitchell, of Burnham, on the occasion of her retirement after 36 years as town clerk. In 1999 Ms. Mitchell was

awarded the Ethel Kelley Memorial Award for public service. Prior to becoming town clerk, she was a cook in the first-ever hot lunch program in Burnham schools and was a substitute teacher and a janitor. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Mitchell for her commitment to the citizens of Burnham and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1803)

Kathleen Roosa, of York, who has been named Educator of the Year by the Northeast Association of REALTORS. The Northeast Association of REALTORS (NEAR) is a group representing more than 1,700 REALTORS and 200 affiliate members in the Merrimack and Nashoba valleys. The term REALTORS is a trademark for use exclusively by members of the National Association of REALTORS whose members subscribe to a strict code of ethics. Ms. Roosa is an expert on the code and is well known for her ability to teach it. The Educator of the Year award recognizes a NEAR REALTOR who promotes professionalism in the real estate industry through personal involvement in numerous professional development activities. Ms. Roosa is the owner of Kathy Roosa School of Real Estate in Manchester, New Hampshire and is a full-time real estate instructor who teaches continuing education courses for real estate agents in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. She is recognized as the most knowledgeable person in the subject areas of licensing issues, documentation, procedures and disclosures, always adhering strictly to the code of ethics. We extend our congratulations on her achieving this distinguished honor and wish her continued success; (HLS 1804)

the Honorable William M. Earle, of Damariscotta, former Member of the Maine House of Representatives during the 121st Legislature. Mr. Earle was born in Lisbon Falls and was a graduate of the University of Maine. He had a long career in education, teaching and coaching in several schools, including Hallowell, Old Town, Gardiner and Higgins Classical Institute in Charleston. In 1986 he earned a PhD in counseling and continued as a counselor and administrator. He served as chemical health coordinator for Union 51 in Richmond and Monmouth schools. Mr. Earle also served as an adult education director in Monmouth, Gardiner, at Mount View in Thorndike and at Oak Hill in Wales. His professional activities included membership on several boards, including appointment to the Governor's Substance Abuse Service Commission, where he served for 8 years. He was a member of the Maine Teacher's Association and the Maine Guidance Association, as well as several fraternal organizations. Before he retired, he moved to Damariscotta, where he became active in several groups and was elected to serve in the Maine State Legislature. He also served on the Damariscotta Board of Selectmen. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1805)

Christopher E. Frank, of Orono, president and founder of Intelligent Spatial Technologies, who has been named Maine's 2006 Young Entrepreneur of the Year by the United States Small Business Administration. We send Mr. Frank our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1806)

the business counselors at the Maine Small Business Development Centers/Small Business & Technology Development Centers, of Portland, who are the recipients of Maine's 2006 Minority Small Business Champions Award from the United States Small Business Administration. We send the business counselors our congratulations and best wishes on their receiving this honor; (HLS 1807)

Susan Dempsey Giguere, of Winslow, Founder and Executive Director of Care & Comfort, a home health service agency, who is the recipient of Maine's 2006 Small Business Person of the

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Year Award from the United States Small Business Administration. We send Ms. Giguere our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (HLS 1808)

Morris Yachts, Inc., of Bass Harbor, which was named 2006 Small Business Exporter of the Year for Maine and New England by the United States Small Business Administration. We send founder Thomas D. C. Morris, president D. Cuyler Morris and the employees of Morris Yachts, Inc. our congratulations and best wishes on their receiving this honor; (HLS 1809)

FND, Inc./Autotronics, of Frenchville, a third-generation family-owned business that is New England's largest retrofitter of ambulances, and its President, Ferdinand "Paul" Daigle III, on being named the 2006 Jeffrey H. Butland Family-Owned Small Business of the Year for Maine and New England by the United States Small Business Administration. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Daigle and the employees of FND, Inc./Autotronics on their receiving this honor; (HLS 1810)

Dean R. Churchill, of Bangor, Business and Cooperative Loan Specialist with the United States Department of Agriculture-Rural Development, who is the recipient of Maine's 2006 Financial Services Champion Award from the United States Small Business Administration. We send Mr. Churchill our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1811)

Gordon L. Pratt, of Biddeford, Certified Business Counselor for the Maine Small Business Development Centers at the Southern Maine Regional Planning Commission, who is the recipient of Maine's 2006 Veteran Small Business Champion Award from the United States Small Business Administration. We send Mr. Pratt our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1812)

Joe Riley, of North Monmouth, Director of Television Services for the Maine Public Broadcasting Network, who was named Maine's 2006 Small Business Journalist by the United States Small Business Administration. We send Mr. Riley our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1813)

Keith E. Small, of Orland, Director of the Down East Business Alliance, a division of the Washington Hancock Community Agency, who is the recipient of the 2006 Home-Based Business Champion Award from the United States Small Business Administration. We send Mr. Small our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1814)

Adam Ronald Wilcox, of Washburn, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 177, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Adam on this achievement; (HLS 1815)

Laura Bohlmann, of Wells, on her retirement after 16 years of dedicated service to the Wells Fire Department, from January 1990 to March 2006. Ms. Bohlmann was secretary for the department, HazMat Planner for York County, a basic EMT and a state-certified Firefighter I. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Bohlmann for her commitment to the citizens of Maine and wish her the best in her future endeavors; (HLS 1816)

Harold J. Van Cott, of Bailey Island, beloved husband of Lois Kolter Van Cott. Mr. Van Cott was a decorated pilot in the Army Air Force during World War II. He flew 48 missions in the European Theater and 35 bombing missions in the Asiatic Pacific Theater. Mr. Van Cott received the Air Medal with eight clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross with one cluster, the European Theater Ribbon with two battle stars, the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon with two battle stars and the American Defense Ribbon with one

Battle Star. He was a member of the Harpswell Conservation Commission, the Solid Waste Commission, the United Way Board of Directors, the Independence Association Board and the Brunswick Rotary, by which he was named Rotarian of the Year in 1988. Mr. Van Cott will be fondly missed by his wife, family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1817)

Philip H. Soule, of Brunswick, longtime member of the Bowdoin College community, who had a 40-year coaching career. Mr. Soule was born in Bangor and was a graduate of Deering High School in Portland and Northfield Academy. As a high school athlete, he set the Maine state record in the shot put. He also graduated from the University of Maine, where he had a distinguished football career that included 2 All-Maine selections as an offensive lineman. He taught English and coached a variety of sports at Fryeburg Academy before joining the Bowdoin College coaching staff in 1967. In addition to coaching the Bowdoin College offensive and defensive lines for decades, he also coached virtually every other sport at the college, including wrestling, baseball and squash. In 2004, Mr. Soule was inducted into the Bowdoin College Athletic Hall of Honor, along with his father and 3 brothers. He was an inspiration to countless students and athletes over the years, and we acknowledge his immense contribution to excellence in sports. He will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Maureen, his family, his friends and the Bowdoin College community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1818)

Winfred M. Strout, Jr., of Windham, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Strout and his wife Barbara Elizabeth "Betty" Googins were married for almost 61 years. He was a deacon and active member of the Windham Hill United Church. He was active in the Kiwanis Club, Presumpscot Lodge No. 172 A.F. & A.M., the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine and the Willowdale Golf Club, of which he was a member for 70 years. Mr. Strout was a Scout Master, an honorary member of the Order of the Arrow and a charter member and officer of the Sunset Park Men's Club of South Portland. He worked diligently while serving on the Windham Town Council and the Windham School Committee. He served on several volunteer boards and committees within the community and still found time to enjoy the fishing and gardening he loved. He will be fondly missed by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1819)

Leland King, Jr., of Coopers Mills, who was presented with a Monarch Chevron Award for 50 years membership in the Whitefield Lions Club by District Governor, Lion Tim Chase. Mr. King has been a devoted and dedicated member of the club, holding nearly all the offices, including president. He has also served on all the committees. He is a Melvin Jones Fellow and was instrumental in obtaining the land next to the Whitefield Lions Club that is now used as the parking lot. We acknowledge Mr. King's longtime service in this volunteer service organization and we send him our congratulations on his 50th anniversary of membership; (HLS 1820)

Emil J. "E.J." Huck, of Caribou, who provided outstanding service to the Department of Health and Human Services in Caribou. As the landlord of the department's facility for 17 years, Mr. Huck offered the department a high-quality place in which to operate. He became known not only as an owner and landlord, but as a distinguished and honorable citizen of Maine. We extend our gratitude to Mr. Huck for his many years of contributions to the functions of Maine State Government; (HLS 1821)

Dianne Senechal, of Buxton, for her hard work and dedication to the community of Buxton. Ms. Senechal is always available, has a kind word for everyone and looks out for those less fortunate in her community. She has helped with numerous

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programs in Buxton, such as "Keep the Heat On," and has been a valuable asset to the Buxton Town Selectmen and the community. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Senechal for her commitment to the citizens of this State; (HLS 1822)

Edward and Sharon Newell, of Buxton, for their dedication to their community. Mr. and Mrs. Newell, concerned about the increasing price of oil and how it would affect people on limited incomes, began raising funds for a program they called "Keep the Heat On" for those who live in Buxton. Through bottle drives and the involvement of local businesses, they raised more than \$6,000. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Newell for their commitment to the citizens of this State; (HLS 1823)

Shirley Fortin, of Caribou, for her 15 years of volunteer service at the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen. Ms. Fortin contributes as many as 3,000 hours of her time each year to the Soup Kitchen, and she is truly a valued asset to the charitable organization. Despite not possessing a driver's license, Ms. Fortin assists with laundry and errands for the Soup Kitchen on foot. Her fundraising efforts enable the Soup Kitchen to meet its necessary operating budget each month. We extend our gratitude to Ms. Fortin for her willingness to give of herself to help those in need; (HLS 1824)

the Honorable John Eder, of Portland, who is the recipient of a plaque from the Red Cross of Southern Maine that recognizes him for his service as a relief worker in the Hurricane Katrina disaster zone. Representatives from the Red Cross presented Representative Eder with the plaque after he hosted a Red Cross workshop on disaster preparedness at the Reiche School on March 14th. Representative Eder volunteered and was deployed to New Orleans in September 2005, approximately two weeks after Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast. He drove a cantina van that delivered hot meals and water to hurricane victims in the greater New Orleans area. He remains active in the system of Red Cross relief workers in the southern Maine area who stand by ready to respond to disasters. We extend our appreciation to Representative Eder for his commitment to his country and State; (HLS 1825)

Ruth Portnoy Martay, of Portland, former longtime resident of Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Martay worked for many years as a supervisor in the Department of Supportive Services for Cook County, Illinois investigating and evaluating custody and adoption cases. She also served as president of the Chicago School for Retarded Children. Mrs. Martay moved to Maine 5 years ago to be nearer to her daughter Joan Martay and son-in-law Senator Michael Brennan. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1826)

Irving Oil Corporation, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, for being a good neighbor to Maine citizens and offering to deliver fuel to contracted customers who prepaid a regional company that has been put into involuntary bankruptcy. Irving Oil Corporation received permission from the United States Bankruptcy Court and the United States District Court in Portland to provide fuel at no cost to more than a dozen schools and municipalities. We acknowledge the strong compassion that Irving Oil Corporation exhibited in its assistance in meeting the fuel oil needs of our citizens, schools and municipalities; (HLS 1827)

Francis "Mickey" Michaud, of Millinocket, a veteran of World War II, who served with his National Guard unit overseas. Mr. Michaud worked for the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad as a rail car inspector. He was a member and past commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He will be fondly remembered and

greatly missed by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1828)

Andrew J. Rueger, of Waterville, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 436, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this achievement; (HLS 1829)

Harland Storey, of Cumberland, for his nearly 30 years of service on the Cumberland Town Council. Mr. Storey is the longest-serving elected official in town. He played a major role in Cumberland's adoption of the town council form of government in his first and only term as a selectman. Looking back on the accomplishments that made him most proud, he cites the town's purchase of the Val Halla golf course as the first to come to mind. Proud of his ability to listen, he always sought to provide a means of survival for Cumberland's farmers and fishermen, while at the same time allowing for responsible growth and development. A truck driver for 40 years and onetime farmer, he and his wife, Carol, have raised six children. A neighbor of 12 of his 15 grandchildren, he has passed his civic-mindedness down through the generations. He believes that "those who get involved should do it for the good of their town and not for something to decorate their résumé." Our best wishes go out to him as he leaves his Town Council seat. We extend our gratitude to Mr. Storey for his dedication to the Town of Cumberland and for the good example he has set; (HLS 1830)

United States Army Sergeant First Class Kim Dionne, of Lewiston, on her return from a year of service in Iraq and Afghanistan. Sergeant Dionne, who has a bachelor's degree and eventually plans to teach, has more than 20 years of active service in the military. We acknowledge her dedicated service to her country and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 1831)

Daelyne Bell, of Brewer, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 89, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Daelyne on this accomplishment; (HLS 1832)

Burns Lilley, of Smyrna Center, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Lilley was a member of the Smyrna United Methodist Church. He was a veteran of World War II who served in the 103rd Infantry, 43rd Division, Company I. He received a Bronze Star. Mr. Lilley and his wife, Juanita, began farming together in 1946. He received numerous awards for his work in the agricultural field, including the Green Pasture Award, the Outstanding Farmer Award and an award for dedicated service to the Southern Aroostook Soil and Water Conservation District, where he served as a supervisor for 15 years. Mr. Lilley was a selectman and sexton for the town of Smyrna, a 4-H leader and a delegate for the Eastern Breeder's Coop. He served on the Aroostook RC&D Committee, the Agway store committee and the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Mr. Lilley will be missed by his loving family, friends and neighbors; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1833)

Larry R. Pelletier and Launa A. Picard, of Ellsworth, the current owners and operators of Larry's Pastry Shop and the children of Larry and Pearl Pelletier, who founded the shop. Larry's Pastry Shop is closing its doors after 50 years of outstanding service and generosity to the community. Since 1955, Larry's Pastry Shop has been a family-owned business that exemplifies the best of small businesses in Maine. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Pelletier and Ms. Picard for their

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long hours and dedication to the shop, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (HLS 1834)

Peter Webb, of Stetson, upon his induction into the National High School Hall of Fame for his more than four decades of officiating basketball games at the state, national and international levels. Mr. Webb, a native of Houlton, is the first recipient from the State of Maine to be inducted. He has an incredible love of basketball and passion for the game. We acknowledge Mr. Webb's many contributions to the game of basketball in the State of Maine, and we congratulate him on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1835)

Howard Ryder, of Newcastle, on the occasion of his retirement as the Head of School of Lincoln Academy, after 35 years' experience in education. He has been the Head of School since 1994. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Ryder on his retirement; (HLS 1836)

the Pine Tree Society for Handicapped Children and Adults, on the occasion of its 70th Anniversary of helping Maine people with disabilities through innovative programs and special services that help them lead active, more socially connected lives. The Pine Tree Society was incorporated in 1936 as a statewide organization to help children with disabilities to live and play like "other children." In 1945, Pine Tree Camp was established to offer traditional summer camp experiences to Maine children with disabilities. Since that time, the Pine Tree Society has accepted all who can benefit from the extraordinary programming at Pine Tree Camp, regardless of the ability to pay tuition. Throughout its history, the Society has been committed to meeting unmet needs of disabled children and adults with a spirit of innovation, compassion and a desire to discover new ways to break down barriers. We acknowledge the Pine Tree Society's enormous contribution to the State of Maine, and we extend our congratulations to all the members who have given so much during the past 70 years; (HLS 1837)

Alex Homer, of Ellsworth, an eighth-grade student at Ellsworth Middle School, who is the 2006 Maine State Champion of the National Geographic Bee. He will go on to represent the State of Maine in Washington, D.C. at the national championship. We congratulate Alex on this remarkable achievement and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 1838)

Raymonde Gagne Corriveau, of Frenchville, who has been named St. John Valley Volunteer of the Year. Mrs. Corriveau was born in St. Basile, New Brunswick, Canada on April 14, 1946 to Jean George and Cecile Gagne. She has four brothers and two sisters. She married Armand Corriveau on January 3, 1966. They have five children: Peter, Michelle, Brenda, Steven and James. She is also grandmother to Nathan, Brandon, Ashley, Ryan, Mindy, Mason and Maddix. In 1967 she joined the Daughters of Isabella in Madawaska and has held almost every office in the organization. She was a Boy Scout Den Leader in Frenchville in the 1970s and started a bowling league for area children. Mrs. Corriveau was president of the Ladies Bowling League for nearly 20 years. In 1975, she began working at the Thrift Shop in Madawaska and became manager in 1985, volunteering one or two days a week. Mrs. Corriveau has been a member of the American Legion Auxiliary for 25 years and has held several positions. She organized and chaired the Community Calendar and, along with other Auxiliary women, occasionally prepares meals for the elderly; once a year, they put on a birthday party at the Veterans' Home in Caribou. She started the TOPS chapter in Madawaska and has taught Confraternity of Christian Doctrine at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish. Mrs. Corriveau has truly enriched her community and her church. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1839)

United States Army Specialist Dustin James Harris, of Patten, a member of the 172nd Brigade Support Battalion in Fort Wainwright, Alaska. He was killed by a roadside bomb while on foot patrol in Beiji, Iraq. Specialist Harris joined the United States Army after his 2002 graduation from Katahdin High School in Stacyville. We acknowledge his dedicated service, and we recognize the ultimate sacrifice he made for his country. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and his grateful State and Nation; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1840)

Carl Betterley, Town Manager of Glenburn, on his retirement after 36 years serving in various municipal capacities. Mr. Betterley went to work for the Town of Rockport in 1970, for the Town of Scarborough in 1978 and finally for the Town of Glenburn in 2000. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Betterley on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (HLS 1841)

Brian C. Thayer, of Cumberland, on April 9, 2006. Mr. Thayer was a graduate of Sanford High School and the University of Maine. He started his career as a reporter for the *Bangor Daily News* and his talent helped him to advance swiftly in the field of journalism, where he held such varied positions as publisher for the *Biddeford Journal*, general manager of the *Kennebec Journal* and president of Central Maine Newspapers. Additionally, he served as president and chief executive officer of Lavalley Lumber Company for the past several years. He applied his prowess and expertise during his time as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Maine Community College System. He was also incoming president of the Maine Lumberman's Association and served on other boards and commissions. Mr. Thayer also possessed a tremendous love for the outdoors, which was only surpassed by his love for his family. An avid fly fisherman and bird hunter, he shared these interests with his close friends, John Ewing, Wendell Wyland, John Marsh and Richard Molyneaux. As a world traveller, he would always have his fly rod at hand, whether the trip was for business or pleasure. We acknowledge Mr. Thayer's dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1842)

Beka Bryer, of Bowdoinham, an eighth-grade student at Mt. Ararat Middle School. For the third year in a row, Beka was one of the top 100 students qualifying for the Maine National Geographic Bee. As a sixth-grader, she was the first student to win the school championship in her first year of competing, and she is the first student at her school to win three years in a row. We congratulate her on this remarkable accomplishment and we send our best wishes for her future endeavors; (HLS 1843)

the Deer Isle-Stonington Elementary School Chess Team, on its winning 3 awards at the Maine State Chess Championship. The K-3 team was runner-up in its division, the K-6 team was State Champion for the 8th year in a row in its division and the K-8 team won its 3rd State Championship in its division. We congratulate the players and coaches of the Deer Isle-Stonington Elementary School Chess Team on these impressive achievements; (HLS 1844)

the Deer Isle-Stonington High School Chess Team, which shared the 2006 Maine State High School Chess Championship. This is the 4th state title for the school. The reserve team won 3rd place. We congratulate the players and coaches of the Deer Isle-Stonington High School Chess Team on these impressive achievements; (HLS 1845)

the Oxford Federal Credit Union, of Mexico, on the occasion of its receiving the Louise Herring Philosophy in Action Award for

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its Financial Fitness Fair. The award recognizes credit unions that do an extraordinary job incorporating credit union philosophy into daily operations. The Oxford Federal Credit Union's Financial Fitness Fair teaches local students the importance of managing their money through hands-on, real-life experiences. We acknowledge the credit union's innovative approach to an important learning exercise which helps the youth of Oxford County. We send our congratulations to the staff and management of Oxford Federal Credit Union on their receiving this well-deserved national honor; (HLS 1846)

Jayne M. Flaherty, of Old Orchard Beach, on the occasion of her retirement as a teacher at the Loranger Middle School. Mrs. Flaherty and her husband, Peter, both started teaching in the same year and are retiring at the same time as well. We send our appreciation to Mrs. Flaherty for her 36 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of this State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her in her future endeavors; (HLS 1847)

Peter L. Flaherty, of Old Orchard Beach, on the occasion of his retirement as Assistant Principal at the C.K. Burns School in Saco. Mr. Flaherty and his wife, Jayne, both started teaching in the same year and are retiring at the same time as well. We send our appreciation to Mr. Flaherty for his 36 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of this State and extend our congratulations and best wishes to him in his future endeavors; (HLS 1848)

Jym St. Pierre, of Readfield, founder and longest serving director of the Maine League of Conservation Voters, on his retirement from the board of directors after twenty years of service. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 1849)

Elmhurst, Inc., of Bath, a 45-year-old nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide services for children and adults with developmental disabilities, on the groundbreaking for a new building on Centre Street in Bath. The building is expected to be completed in October 2006. In conjunction with the City of Bath, Elmhurst, Inc. has been awarded a \$300,000 Community Development Block Grant in addition to money generated from private fundraising, private foundation grants and borrowing. There has been a lot of community support for this project from the United Way of Mid Coast Maine, the Bath Police Department and the Department of Health and Human Services. We extend our congratulations on the groundbreaking of the new building for Elmhurst, Inc. and we send our best wishes for many years to come; (HLS 1850)

Everard L. Cooper, DVM, of Chesterville, on the occasion of his 80th birthday. Dr. Cooper has been a veterinarian in the area since 1953. We acknowledge his dedication to his profession and to the community, and we send him our best wishes on his birthday; (HLS 1851)

Joseph Roy, of Jay, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Joseph on his accomplishment; (HLS 1852)

Peter Carboneau, of Van Buren, on his nomination as Maine Emergency Medical Services' Paramedic of the Year. Mr. Carboneau has been an EMT for 24 years. He is currently the Director of the Van Buren Ambulance Service. He is held in high esteem by all who know him. Mr. Carboneau also has recently been honored by Maine Emergency Medical Services for lifetime

achievement. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Carboneau on his nomination for this honor; (HLS 1853)

the Maine Central Institute Vocal Jazz Ensemble, for its outstanding first-place finish in Division II vocal jazz groups at the 2006 Maine All-State Vocal Jazz and Show Chorus Festival, which is held each year as a showcase for the top vocal groups in the State. This is the 5th straight year that Maine Central Institute has captured top honors. The musicians and singers were also recognized as having the outstanding rhythm section in their division. We extend our congratulations to these talented students and to their director Mr. Dean Neal for their successes and recognize them for their hard work; (HLS 1854)

the following members of the Mt. Ararat High School "Eagles" Boys Soccer Team, of Topsham, who are the 2005 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Champions and the 2005 Eastern Maine Class A Champions: Russ Bouchard, CJ Dirago, Noah Greenlaw, Tucker Jones, Caleb Levesque, Adam Paine, Jamie Reilly, Nate Sherwood, Tyler Simpson, Matt Snyder, Ryan Vermette, Brian Andreasen, Jacob Farmer, Patrick Hunt, Andrew Pelletier, Justin Simpson, Bobby Van Note, Ted Vosmus, Alden Blease, Brian Bousquet-Smith, Greg Hurley, Kurt Prescott, Scott Pullen, Andrew Snyder, Scott Rogers, and Brian Sherwood; and Head Coach Rick Renaud, Assistant Coaches Tom Fournier and Mitch Guerette, Athletic Director Colin Roy and Athletic Trainer Kate Anagonostis. The Eagles were undefeated and untied in their 2005 season until the State Championship game, which was decided on a second round of penalty kicks after the full regulation game plus 2 15-minute overtime periods. The team's record for the past 4 years is 57-6-4. The team was crowned the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Champions for 4 consecutive years, appeared in the Eastern Maine Class A final for 4 consecutive years, was Eastern Maine Champion in 2003 and State Champion in 2003. Head coach Rick Renaud was named Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Coach of the Year for 2005, the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference East Coach of the Year and the Maine State Coach of the Year for 2003 and 2005. In addition, Tyler Simpson was named to the Maine Sunday Telegram All-State Soccer team, Ryan Vermette was named Honorable Mention for the All-State team and both players were named to the All-Class Eastern Maine State Team and the Eastern Maine Class A team. Ryan Vermette, Tyler Simpson and Matt Snyder were named to the All-KVAC South First Team and Caleb Levesque was named to the All-KVAC Second Team. Adam Paine was named to the All-Academic team. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team and the coaching and support staff on their accomplishments; (HLS 1855)

the Nathan Clifford School in Portland, on the occasion of the centennial of its design and initiation of construction. In 1906, the City of Portland commissioned John Calvin Stevens to design a new school for Portland's growing Oakdale section. It was carefully planned with a community-centered scale and pedestrian-friendly layout to fit gracefully into its surrounding neighborhood and serve as a civic anchor for the area. The Nathan Clifford School is considered one of John Calvin Stevens' finest educational buildings, with its inspiring architecture, fine design and craftsmanship that continue to make a strong statement that this community holds public education in high esteem. Studies have supported the idea that the scale of the Nathan Clifford School has resulted in more personal attention for each student and also promotes the fundamentally American value that school, community and family are inextricably bound together and must work in tandem in order for children to learn and succeed. Today, the Nathan Clifford School remains a



treasured gem to all who have passed through its halls. A well-renovated Nathan Clifford School can continue to nurture future students and support a first-class 21st-century educational program. We send our congratulations to the Nathan Clifford School community on this 100th Anniversary; (HLS 1856)

Shaw's Ellsworth store, upon its receiving the Albertson's Store of the Year Award from its Shaw's Division. The Shaw's store in Ellsworth was selected from 40 finalist stores, of which 5 were from the Shaw's Division, for their outstanding efforts in customer service and community involvement. The store was named one of 8 top winners in the company out of more than 2,400 stores. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to all the employees of the Shaw's Ellsworth store on their receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 1857)

Douglas Rafter, of Portland, who is celebrating his 70th year as a professional organist. Over the course of his career, which began when he was 18 years of age, Mr. Rafter has earned renown as a concert performer and accompanist as well as for his service as a church organist, choirmaster and teacher. For decades, he performed regularly to great acclaim on the famous Kotschmar Memorial Organ at Merrill Auditorium in Portland. He was named Portland's Municipal Organist in 1976, a position he held through 1981. Mr. Rafter has served as an instructor at St. Paul's School in New Hampshire, Gordon College in Massachusetts and the University of Southern Maine as well as teaching the organ to numerous private students. He has held church positions continuously since 1936 and, as Organist Emeritus at First Parish Church in Gorham, he continues to play at weekly services. We honor Mr. Rafter's extraordinary contribution to Maine's musical heritage and we extend our congratulations to him on this remarkable anniversary; (HLS 1858)

Andrew E. Shattuck, of Wilton, Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop No. 518, who is the recipient of the National President's Scoutmaster Award of Merit. Mr. Shattuck has been a positive role model and leader for many young men who have ventured through Boy Scout Troop No. 518. His dedication to Boy Scouting and the Scouts has been exemplary. We send him our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1859)

Alex Tuttle, of Phillips, who placed first in boardercross, second in both halfpipe and slopestyle and fourth in both slalom and giant slalom in the Youth Men division of the United States of America Snowboard Association Maine Mountain Series. He placed third in boardercross at the USASA National Championships, where he was one of only a couple of Maine snowboarders to compete in every event. Alex, an "A" student, attends Carrabassett Valley Academy in the winter and Mt. Abram Regional High School in the spring and fall. We extend our congratulations to Alex on these accomplishments; (HLS 1860)

Donald "Ducky" Dickinson, of Millinocket, a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Dickinson worked for Great Northern Paper Company for 42 years, retiring in 1999. He was a past commander of American Legion, Post No. 80 for 4 years and he was a member of the Elks Lodge No. 1521 in Millinocket. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1861)

Brandon B. Baines, of Scarborough, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Brandon on his accomplishment; (HLS 1862)

Jeff Jordan, of South Portland, on his retirement as Manager of the City of South Portland. Mr. Jordan was hired in 1986 as Assistant City Manager and became Manager in 1996. Over the years, his efforts have brought to life a new community center, a new dispatch facility, creation of Project PLAN, the Greenbelt Walkway extensions, the Thomas Knight Park Landing, the Bug Light Park, the Wainwrights Fields, the nationally recognized CSO abatement program and recycling efforts. He has been a tremendous asset to the City of South Portland and we wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 1863)

Billie Jane Slaton, of Sanford, who is retiring as office manager for the Maine Veterans Center in Sanford. Ms. Slaton has done an outstanding job serving veterans and their families throughout York County for the past 13 years. Ms. Slaton was the main force behind the creation of a homeless distribution center that provides clothing and other essentials to veterans and their families who are in need. After she retires in May, she will continue as manager of the center. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Slaton for her dedication to the veterans of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 1864)

Anita May (Gamble) and David Thomas Michaud, Sr., of Topsham, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Michaud were married on April 19, 1956 at St. Charles Church in Brunswick and are proud parents and grandparents. We send them our congratulations on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 1865)

the memory of the late Charles A. Greer, of Portland, a longtime math teacher and head of the Math Department at Old Orchard Beach High School, who will be remembered for his dedication and commitment to the education of our youth. In his honor, there is established the Charles Greer Memorial Scholarship at Old Orchard Beach High School. For the 3rd year in a row, the Portland establishment "Blackstone's" has organized a fundraiser for the scholarship. We acknowledge the accomplishments of Mr. Greer and his exemplary career in education, and we send our best wishes to the Old Orchard Beach High School community and all the supporters of the scholarship in his honor; (HLS 1866)

Neil Winfield Lash, of Waldoboro, on his more than 42 years of excellent teaching in the State of Maine. Mr. Lash is a graduate of Gorham State Teachers College, now the University of Southern Maine. He has been teaching since 1963 and is a natural and gifted teacher who makes the intricacies of human anatomy and horticultural science come alive for his students. He is a member of the Science Department at Medomak Valley High School, where he has taught since 1980. Mr. Lash is also regarded as a gifted teacher of basketball and a great coach. He always maintains high moral and ethical standards and continues to be an exemplary role model for all his students. We acknowledge Mr. Lash's long and distinguished career in education and we send him our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1867)

James John McLaughlin, of Springvale, longtime and prominent member of the community and former president of Unity College. Mr. McLaughlin was born in East Brady, Pennsylvania and served in the United States Army/Air Force and subsequently survived the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He received degrees in physical education, athletics and college administration from Slippery Rock State College, Purdue University and Boston University. He married Joan Ann Walsh in 1952 and moved to Springvale in 1959, when he became athletic director at Nasson College. Mr. McLaughlin was instrumental in the development of the athletic program at the college. He was also the dean of students. He was known as an excellent

speaker, author and friend. After Nasson College closed in 1983, he became president of Unity College. Mr. McLaughlin served the village of Springvale and the town of Sanford as chair of the finance committee, warrant committee member, town meeting member, charter commission member, selectman, superintending school committee member and police commissioner. We acknowledge his excellent career in education, and his dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, neighbors and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1868)

Jonathan MacKay, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop 1, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Jonathan on this achievement; (HLS 1869)

Brendon Carr, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop 1, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Brendon on this achievement; (HLS 1870)

Jim "Seuss" Saucier, of Caribou, for his 35 years of selfless service to the Caribou Recreation Department. Mr. Saucier began his involvement with the Caribou Recreation Department in 1970, coaching and scheduling all of the athletic programs. He encouraged young people to take part in activities such as hiking, mounting biking and kayaking as well as sports like baseball and basketball. He inspired participants by teaching the fundamentals while promoting teamwork and good sportsmanship. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Saucier for his commitment to the youth of this State and wish him well in his future endeavors. His many contributions will not soon be forgotten; (HLS 1871)

Jordan Joseph Powers, of Caribou, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 186, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Jordan constructed a photo blind at the Aroostook National Wildlife Refuge in Limestone. We extend our congratulations to Jordan on this achievement; (HLS 1872)

Joshua Michael Murray, of Falmouth, a member of Boy Scout Troop 93, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this achievement; (HLS 1873)

United States Army Specialist Joseph Alan Lucas, Sr., of Augusta, Georgia, for his heroism in defending the freedom of all Americans. He grew up in the Bath and Wiscasset area but had been living in Georgia with his wife and 15-month-old son. He was assigned to the 5th Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia. He was killed on December 15, 2005 during combat operations near Baghdad. Specialist Lucas was posthumously awarded a Purple Heart, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and a Bronze Star. We acknowledge Specialist Lucas' dedicated service, and we recognize the ultimate sacrifice he made for his country. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and his grateful State and Nation; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1874)

Barbara B. Lapointe-Bossie, of Van Buren, for her many years of dedicated service to her community through her work and volunteerism. Ms. Lapointe-Bossie worked for Maine School Administrative District 24 for 22 years, beginning as a cook and retiring as a supervisor. She has been a member of the Van Buren American Legion Auxiliary for 51 years, during which she has held positions of Secretary, Auxiliary Historian and First and Second Vice President. She was President of the Auxiliary for 5 consecutive years, and she was presented with the prestigious Auxiliary V.I.M. Life Membership. Ms. Lapointe-Bossie has been an active participant in Dirigo Girls State, annual scholarship awards and the Voice of Democracy programs. She is a lifetime member of the Acadian Village in St. John's Valley. She was a board member and enthusiastic supporter of the Hope School, a school for handicapped and severely learning disabled children. Ms. Lapointe-Bossie is currently the chair of the St. Bruno's Parish Church Mercy Meal Program and was in the church choir for 20 years. We acknowledge Ms. Lapointe-Bossie's exemplary community service to the Van Buren area and to the State of Maine. We extend our best wishes to her; (HLS 1875)

Bryant James Prosser, of Medway. Mr. Prosser was born in Millinocket and attended Houlton High School. He moved to Medway in 1972 and married Sherry Lea McLaughlin. He worked at Great Northern Paper Company and retired in 2000. He served his state and country honorably in the Maine Army National Guard as a combat medic with the 314th Medical Company (Amb) from 1973 to 1996. Mr. Prosser will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1876)

Mary E. Nyburg, notable member of the Deer Isle community. Mrs. Nyburg was born in Dixfield and raised in Albion. She attended Westbrook Junior College and graduated from the University of Maine. She worked for a number of nonprofit medical and social service organizations, including as a field director for CARE and a laboratory technician in eye research at Johns Hopkins Hospital. When she was 40, she discovered clay and began life as a potter. For nearly 50 years she crafted, sold and exhibited her work and supported numerous craft organizations. Mrs. Nyburg served on the Board of Trustees of the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts and was later elected to be an honorary trustee. Among her many honors, she received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Museum of Women in the Arts. Her work is displayed in the permanent collections of the Museum of Arts and Design in New York City, the University of Utah and the Delaware Museum of Fine Arts and in homes across the country. Mrs. Nyburg moved to Deer Isle in 1988 and opened the Blue Heron Gallery, which features the work of the Haystack Mountain School faculty and of leading artists throughout the United States and Europe. She made a significant contribution to the Deer Isle community by serving on the boards of various nonprofit organizations, including the Island Medical Center, the Memorial Ambulance Corps, the Island Nursing Home, the Healthy Island Project and the Blue Hill Memorial Hospital. She also mentored island children in her pottery studio. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1877)

Dr. Kenneth A. Gluck, of North Bridgton. Dr. Gluck was born in Youngstown, Ohio and was a 1957 graduate of Cuyahoga Falls High School. He later attended Bowling Green State University, majoring in biology. He attended graduate studies at Ohio State University College of Medicine and Public Health in 1966. It was at this time he met and married Yvonne, his wife of 42 years. Subsequent to his internship at Maine Medical Center, Dr. Gluck honorably served his country as a Captain in the United

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States Air Force. After his military service, Dr. Gluck moved with his family to Bridgton and began his family practice in 1969. Dr. Gluck provided compassionate care to his patients while bringing respect to his profession and, during his career, held the positions of Chief of Staff and Chief of Obstetrics and also served as a member of the Board of Directors at Northern Cumberland Hospital. Dr. Gluck was very civic-minded and was an active member of the Bridgton Lions Club, serving as Lion King in 1973 and again in 2002 to 2003. He was named a Melvin Jones Fellow by the Lions Club in 1998 for his outstanding dedication to humanitarian service. Dr. Gluck also received the highest award, a diamond pin, in 2006 and was recognized by the Bridgton Rotary Club with a Paul Harris Fellowship. He also coached 4th-grade, 5th-grade and 6th-grade girls basketball and was the first chair trumpet for the Bridgton Community Band and Bridgton German Band. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1878)

Albert Gardner Mahar, a lifelong resident of Dennysville. Mr. Mahar was a 1927 graduate of Dennysville High School, a 1928 graduate of Shaws Business College in Portland and a 1931 graduate of Washington State Normal School. He taught school in East Machias until 1935 when he started as Postmaster in Dennysville. He held this position for 63 years, a United States Postal Service record. Mr. Mahar served in World War II as a Postal Clerk with the 543rd Army Postal Unit in Africa and Italy. He received the Army Good Conduct Medal, the World War II Victory Medal and the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal. He enjoyed fishing, going to church and refinishing old furniture and was an expert at caning chairs. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1879)

Jo Anne Sizemore, of Kennebunk, Principal of Scarborough Middle School, on her being selected as the 2006 Middle Level Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. She was chosen based on her accomplishments as an educational leader in the areas of collaborative leadership; curriculum, instruction and assessment; personalization; and contributions to the profession. Ms. Sizemore will be honored at the Maine Principals' Association's Spring Conference awards banquet on April 27, 2006. She will also attend the Principals' Institute in Arlington, Virginia and will be eligible for consideration as the 2006 National Middle School Principal of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Sizemore on her receiving this well-deserved honor, and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 1880)

Michelle Vazquez-Jacobus, of Lewiston, faculty member at the University of Southern Maine's Lewiston-Auburn College, who is the recipient of the 2006 Donald Harward Faculty Award for Service-Learning Excellence. This award is presented through the Maine Campus Compact to 3 faculty members for demonstrating a significant commitment to practicing and promoting service-learning or making public service an integral part of their teaching. Ms. Vazquez-Jacobus is being honored for her work with the Lewiston Youth Empowerment Program. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Vazquez-Jacobus on her receiving this award; (HLS 1881)

Andrew Nesbitt, a 7th-grade student at the Glenburn School, who came in first place for Grade 7 at the Spring Math Meet in the Eastern Maine Math League. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1882)

Ian Szydlo, an 8th-grade student at the Glenburn School, who came in first place for Grade 8 at the Spring Math Meet in the

Eastern Maine Math League. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his achievement; (HLS 1883)

Vanessa Leture, of Glenburn, who was named Miss Teen Penobscot County International. This honor qualifies Vanessa to compete in the Miss Teen Maine International competition. We send Vanessa our congratulations and best wishes on her achieving this distinction; (HLS 1884)

the following students on Grade 5/6, Team 1 of the Glenburn School, who have won 2nd place in the team awards at the Spring Math Meet in the Eastern Maine Math League: Jordan Seekins, Michael Woods, Jonathan Belanger and Katie McLaughlin. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1885)

the following students on Grade 8, Team 1 of the Glenburn School, who have won first place in the team awards at the Spring Math Meet in the Eastern Maine Math League: Nikki Holland, Morgan Rublee, Aaron Spencer and Ian Szydlo. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1886)

the following students of Mrs. Watts' 5th-grade class at the Glenburn School, upon their nomination to attend the 2006 Junior National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C.: Sarah Wainer, Devon Foster, Eli Szydlo, Albert Lam and Elise Nosel. The students were chosen for their leadership and academic achievement. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their receiving this honor; (HLS 1887)

the following students on Grade 7, Team 1 of the Glenburn School, who have won 2nd place in the team awards at the Spring Math Meet in the Eastern Maine Math League: Krystal Mudgett, Andrew Nesbitt, P.J. Turner and Drew Priode. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1888)

Judy Mallett, of New Portland, and the Maine Dance Institute, on their 20 years of performances and teaching of dance. Ms. Mallett, director of the institute, started this program in SAD #58 in Kingfield as an outreach program of Jacques d'Amboise's National Dance Institute. It moved to SAD #74 at the Central Elementary School the following year. In addition to being a teacher for 26 years, Ms. Mallett has directed the performances at the Maine Dance Institute since its inception. Over 200 fourth through eighth grade classes have participated in the institute's performances, and about 5,000 students have danced. The Maine Dance Institute has had around 600 community members volunteer their time to assist. We acknowledge Ms. Mallett's hard work and vision through the years as she led the Maine Dance Institute to its success; (HLS 1889)

Janina "Jina" Zulma Haslam, of Lamoine, who was an eighth-grade graduate of the Lamoine Consolidated School. A bright and talented young lady, Jina was a member of the 2005 Union 92 Girls Championship Basketball Team, was most improved on the 2004 Cross-Country Championship Team, was a member of the Softball Championship Team and was a member of the three-time State Championship Cheering Team. Jina was known as an outstanding musician and choral member. She received the class Highest Average Award in history and was an honor roll student. From the time that she was eight years old, Jina worked at a local goat farm doing everything from delivering newborns to identifying the entire herd and from running the milking operation to assisting the attending veterinarians. Upon her death, some of Jina's organs were donated to others in need, ensuring that three people would be able to continue their lives. Jina will truly be missed each and every day by her family and numerous friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1890)

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Gianluca Pane, of Wilton, who won the K-6 division of the Maine State Chess Championship held at the University of Maine at Orono. Gianluca is a student at Academy Hill School in Wilton. He started playing chess with his dad when he was 5 or 6 years old. Gianluca entered and won his first tournament when he was in the second grade. We extend our congratulations to Gianluca on this achievement; (HLS 1891)

Carrie Keach, of Rome, a senior at Messalonskee High School, who is the recipient of the 2006 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Carrie on her receiving this award; (HLS 1892)

the Honorable Mary Hussey MacBride, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of her 90th birthday, May 11, 2006. Mrs. MacBride faithfully served in the Maine House of Representatives for eight terms, from the 109th Legislature to the 116th Legislature. She enjoys volunteering her time delivering bread to cancer patients, cochairing golf tournaments to raise funds for cancer patients and playing golf and bridge. She keeps up with politics and current events as well as cheering on the Boston Red Sox and the New England Patriots. Wintering in Key Colony Beach in the Florida Keys, Mrs. MacBride remains very active, enjoying her daughter Barbara and son-in-law Frank, son Mac and daughter-in-law Nancy, and six grandchildren: Frank, Brad, Marigan, Joey, Karly and Jen. We send former Representative MacBride our best wishes for continued happiness on this special celebration of her life; (HLS 1893)

the following members of the Hollis Elementary School's Odyssey of the Mind team, Team MEZNIKK, who won 2nd place in the State Championship: Mackenzie Andrews, Ernest Cline, Zac Meserve, Natalie Hewitt, Ivory McDonough, Kendyll Martin and Katelynne Aiken. We extend our congratulations to the team on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck in the World Competition to be held in Ames, Iowa in May; (HLS 1894)

the Junior League of Portland, on its more than 80 years of community service to the people of Maine's largest city, Portland. The Junior League is a nonprofit organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Since 1922, the Junior League of Portland has been actively involved in numerous projects. It founded the Children's Museum of Maine, the Children's Theatre of Maine and the Parenting Center at the University of Southern Maine. It initiated the first school volunteer program in Maine and Project Kids in Safe Seats, which led to the passage of legislation mandating the use of seat belts. Members of the Junior League of Portland restored rooms at the Sweat Mansion, Daniel-Howe House and Victoria Mansion. The Junior League of Portland was a charter-funding source for the Center for Grieving Children and the Preble Street Resource Center. We acknowledge the remarkable contributions of the Junior League of Portland to the community. Its work exemplifies the Maine character, and we congratulate the Junior League of Portland on its success through many years of service; (HLS 1895)

Corlys Brewer, of Damariscotta, a longtime educator. Mrs. Brewer was born in Biddeford and was a graduate of Potter Academy in Sebago and the Gorham State Teachers College. In 1954, she married Bruce H. Brewer in Connecticut. For more than 35 years, she educated children as a teacher in Rockville, Connecticut, East Boothbay and the Boothbay Region Elementary School. She was one of the first trained special education teachers in the State. Mrs. Brewer was president of

the Teachers Club in Rockville, Connecticut and a member of the Maine Teachers Association and a former member of the Huntoon Hill Grange in Wiscasset. She was an excellent marksman and an avid hunter. We acknowledge her exemplary career in teaching and her dedicated service to her community. Mrs. Brewer was predeceased by her husband and is the mother of two daughters, the Honorable Marge Kilkelly, former member of the Maine State Legislature, and Carolyn Mank, as well as being a grandmother and great-grandmother. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1896)

Harlan "Bud" Benner, Jr., of Fairfield, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Benner was born in Dover-Foxcroft in 1922. He served in the United States Army with the 208 Field Artillery Battalion from 1942 to 1946 in Normandy, northern France, Rhineland and central Europe. He later worked at the American Woolen Mill and the Ski-Land Woolen Mill. He was also a firefighter with the Fairfield Fire Department for 41 years, with 25 years as a full-time driver. He and his wife, the former Gladys "Jo" Chamberlain, enjoyed 57 wonderful years together. Mr. Benner will be sadly missed by his loving family, many friends and his community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1897)

Louise Kiesow, of Augusta, who is retiring as Special Assistant in the House Majority Office. Ms. Kiesow has worked in state government for 26 years. She began her career in the Department of Agriculture in 1979 and came to the Legislature as a Legislative Aide in 1989. She has been a Special Assistant since 2000. Her institutional knowledge and attention to detail have made her an invaluable asset to the House Majority Office for more than 17 years. She is respected and well-liked by all her coworkers and is known for her effective leadership, even under the most trying of circumstances. Louise has filled a niche in the House Majority Office as an ambassador to the County and to the French-speaking delegations and she has been a friend and confidante to many. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (HLS 1898)

Daniel Barnett, of Mexico, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 580, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this achievement; (HLS 1899)

James J. Dolan, Jr., of Brunswick, beloved husband, father and grandfather. Mr. Dolan worked as a crossing guard for 17 years for the Brunswick Police Department. He was affectionately known as "Mr. Jim" by the thousands of kids that knew him. He received a commemorative plaque and department coins for his service to the police department. Mr. Dolan served in the United States Navy and was stationed at Quonset Point Naval Air Station in Rhode Island. He was later transferred to the Brunswick Naval Air Station and worked as a civilian firefighter for 26 years. He was a member of the St. Charles Borromeo Church, where he also served as an usher. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, his friends and his community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1900)

United States Army Sergeant Corey Dan, of Norway, assigned to the 1st Battalion, 506th Infantry, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He was killed on March 13, 2006 during combat operations near Ramadi, Iraq. Sergeant Dan enlisted in the United States Army after graduating from Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School in 2001. He was known as an optimistic soldier who worked hard, loved his family and enjoyed

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children. We acknowledge Sergeant Dan's dedicated service, and we recognize the ultimate sacrifice he made for his country. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and his grateful State and Nation; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1901)

Claudette O'Connell, of Brewer, who is the recipient of the Sister Solange Bernier Lifetime Achievement Award given at the Foreign Language Association of Maine Conference. The award recognizes the accomplishments of those who have demonstrated excellence in teaching and leadership in the teaching profession throughout their careers. Mrs. O'Connell has taught French at Brewer High School for 30 years. She has distinguished herself by serving in leadership roles for professional teacher organizations at the local, state and national levels. She is respected as a knowledgeable teacher. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award; (HLS 1902)

Wendy Libby, of Brewer, an art teacher at the Fruit Street School in Bangor, who is the recipient of the Maine Art Educator of the Year Award given by the Maine Art Education Association. Ms. Libby has taught at the Fruit Street School for more than 30 years and was recognized for her outstanding dedication and service to art education. She has written three books on art education. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Libby on her receiving this award; (HLS 1903)

Tim Rollins, of New York City, for his groundbreaking work in education and the arts and for his work with art students in Maine. Mr. Rollins has made a commitment, as a native son, to return to Maine each year and work with young artists. He studied fine arts and art education at the University of Maine, the School of Visual Arts and New York University. As a special education art teacher in New York City schools, he founded the after-school Art and Knowledge Workshop and the youth-based art-making team Kids of Survival in the South Bronx in 1981. Since 1985, he and Kids of Survival have conducted over 90 exhibitions worldwide and have led over 60 intensive workshops with young people. He has worked with the Maine College of Art and the youth of Maine for the past four years, including in Portland with the after-school theater program, "Company of Girls" in collaboration with Maine College of Art students. They created a master print that was sold to the prestigious Museum of Modern Art in New York City. With 15 students, staff and faculty from the Maine College of Art, Mr. Rollins hosted a workshop for 30 budding artists from the ages of 11 to 15 in Washington County for a rewarding collaborative experience. We acknowledge Mr. Rollins' great contributions to the world of art and to the youth of the State of Maine, and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1904)

Jim Craven, of Lewiston, for his special work in Long Beach, Mississippi in helping the Clark family repair their home and grounds, which were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Craven went to Mississippi with a group that accompanied his wife, Maine State Representative Margaret Craven of Lewiston, to the area that was destroyed by the disaster. We salute his generosity, energy and compassion and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1905)

the Conrad family, of Alton, New Hampshire, who went with a group of people who accompanied Maine State Representative Margaret Craven to Long Beach, Mississippi to help the Clark family repair their home and grounds, which were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. The Conrads provided generous use of resources, prayers, hard work and organization that will forever be remembered by everyone involved in the project. We salute

them for their commitment to helping others and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1906)

Jacob Tanguay, of Lewiston, a 15-year-old student who spent his school vacation in Long Beach, Mississippi helping the Clark family repair their home and grounds, which were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. He was with a group that accompanied Maine State Representative Margaret Craven to the area that was destroyed by the disaster. Before leaving for Mississippi, Jacob raised \$500 at his school and presented this donation to a person who had lost everything in the hurricane. Jacob worked tirelessly for the entire week. We salute his generosity, energy and compassion and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1907)

Michael Turgeon, of Auburn, a 17-year-old student who spent his school vacation in Long Beach, Mississippi helping the Clark family repair their home and grounds, which were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. He was with a group of people who accompanied Maine State Representative Margaret Craven of Lewiston to the area that was destroyed by the disaster. Mike worked very hard and with good humor. We salute his generosity, energy and compassion and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1908)

Rick Vamey, of Lewiston, for his special work in Long Beach, Mississippi in helping the Clark family repair their home and grounds, which were devastated by Hurricane Katrina. Mr. Vamey was an excellent and primary organizer and team leader of the group of people who accompanied Maine State Representative Margaret Craven of Lewiston to the area that was destroyed by the disaster. We salute his generosity, energy, skill, patience and compassion and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1909)

Reverend Robert Plummer, of Rumford, who has been recognized by the United Methodist Church of Rumford for his 56 years in the ministry. Reverend Plummer served the United Methodist Church for 12 years before he retired from full-time ministering. He served in the United States Army during World War II in Europe from 1943 to 1945 and then went on to attend Mt. Union College in Ohio and Boston Seminary. For more than 40 years he served as pastor at a variety of Methodist churches throughout the State. Since retiring from full-time ministry, he often fills in during the absence of pastors in Methodist, Congregational and Baptist churches throughout the River Valley, Bethel and Farmington areas. Reverend Plummer is known for having visited every church member in his various congregations at least once, as well as people in hospitals and nursing homes. We extend our appreciation to Reverend Plummer for his service and dedication to the State and wish him well; (HLS 1910)

the members of the University of Maine at Farmington Men's Rugby Team, on their winning the 2006 Maine Cup Championship: Mike Milliken, Pat Ramsdell, Ryan Richard, Derik Hammond, Tony Solis, Tyler Jellison, Josh Duffy, Sam Hill, James Carleton, Jason Guest, Brian Carmichael, Derek Beudet, Sean Fry, Bubba Nadeau, Mike Souci, Steve Peabody, Linc Robinson, Ryan McGivern, Neil Bangor, Adam Bailey and Coach Woody Hanstein. This is the first state rugby championship for the University of Maine at Farmington. We send the members of the team and the university community our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (HLS 1911)

United States Navy Chief Petty Officer Robb W. Ross, of Wilton, who is serving on the maiden mission of the USS Ronald Reagan to Iraq. Chief Petty Officer Ross will be returning from Iraq this summer. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Chief Petty Officer Ross who have stepped forward in defense of the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens

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throughout the State in extending our appreciation to Chief Petty Officer Ross for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1912)

the Honorable Donald R. O'Leary, Sr., of Mexico, a longtime member of the Maine State Legislature, who served in both the Maine House of Representatives and the Maine Senate. Mr. O'Leary was a United States Navy veteran of World War II in which he served as an Aviation Metalsmith, 3rd Class. He was employed by Boise Cascade Paper Company in Rumford for over 34 years until his retirement in 1982 as a lab technician. He was president of his union. Mr. O'Leary was active in state and local politics until his death and attended many Democratic state conventions. He most recently served on the planning board and as a Selectman for the Town of Mexico. He also served as Oxford County Treasurer. Mr. O'Leary was a member of Napoleon Ouellette Post #24 of the American Legion and a member of the Rumford Falls Aerie #1248, FOE. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community, the State of Maine and his Nation. He will be greatly missed by his family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1913)

Obeline Waugh, of Mexico, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, June 8, 2006. Mrs. Waugh and her husband William were married for 57 years. They raised 4 children of their own: Jacqueline, Kenneth, Eugene and Wilfred; a daughter, Jeannette that William brought into the marriage and Mrs. Waugh's brother's daughter, Edith. She is an outstanding lady. When she and her husband built their home, she learned how to mix cement and built the whole chimney by herself. At the age of 85, she went parasailing in Cancun, Mexico and jet-skiing in Aruba and at the age of 90 she flew in a hot air balloon. Her biggest regret is that her doctor would not let her go skydiving on her 95th birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Waugh on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1914)

William Edward Bodwell, of Brunswick, on the occasion of his 80th Birthday, April 23, 2006. Mr. Bodwell is an active and prominent member of the Brunswick community, and is the owner and operator of Bodwell Chrysler Plymouth. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Bodwell on his birthday; (HLS 1915)

the St. Joseph's College Women's Basketball Team, upon its winning the 2006 Division III Independent Championship. This is the second year in a row that the team has won the plaque. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the St. Joseph's College Women's Basketball Team on this achievement; (HLS 1916)

the St. Joseph's College Baseball Team, upon its winning the 2006 North Atlantic Conference Championship. We send our congratulations to the St. Joseph's College Baseball Team on this achievement; (HLS 1917)

the Long Creek Youth Development Center, in South Portland, on its being named one of the best youth facilities in the nation by the American Correctional Association. We acknowledge the many improvements made at the center and the center's achievements in recent years and we join the citizens of Maine in congratulating Superintendent Rodney Bouffard, the center's executive team, the operational staff and all the groups that participated in the improvements and achievements, including the volunteers and the youth who reside at the facility; (HLS 1918)

the members of the Nokomis Regional High School Show Chorus, of Newport, who won first place and a Gold Rating in Division I Show Chorus at the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival. The Chorus is under the direction of Kent Higgins and Lisa Neal and performed a medley of songs from "The Lion King." Singers

include Allison Burr, Taylor Donaldson, Rachel Gordon, Courtney Graves, Caitlyn Jewell, Ashley Raymond, Ashley Small, Arielle Southard, Angela Thibeault, Hannah Tucker, Alyssa Brewer, Alecia Bridge, Megan Curtis, Ann Leavitt, Michelle McLemore, Brittany Neal, Ashley Perry, Susannah Sacks, Kristin Seavey, Vanessa Tremblay, Tom Clukey, Joe Meyers, Ben Nadeau, Andrew Nickerson, James Reiss, Will Vile, Matt Graham, Shawn Graves, Justin Leavitt, Brad McIntyre, Nolan Southard, Steve Shea, Taylor Smith and J.C. White. The chorus also received the Outstanding Rhythm Section Award. The rhythm section consists of Cassie Seekins, Luther York, Kayla Easler, Breanna Graham, Brennin Bonin, Brad McIntyre and Taylor Smith. We congratulate these fine musicians and wish them continued success; (HLS 1919)

Marcia Feller, of Yarmouth, who is the recipient of a 2006 Governor's Award for Business Excellence for outstanding service to employees and to the community. In 2000, Ms. Feller opened a women's clothing store in Falmouth, Couleur Collection, which coordinates its clothing by color and dedicates its wall space to original works of art by emerging artists from Maine and around the country. She partners her company with nonprofit organizations to promote fund-raising efforts and she donates a percentage of sales to the organizations. Employees are encouraged to attend in-store workshops and can submit merchandise and input to Ms. Feller for purchase consideration. They are also treated to flexible work hours, dinners and outings in place of staff meetings and massages during the holiday season. We acknowledge Ms. Feller's exemplary business ethic, which enriches the community and her employees and Maine's reputation for excellence. We salute Ms. Feller and the employees of Couleur Collection on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 1920)

Joan Mills, of South Portland, who teaches in the South Portland School Department, on the occasion of her retirement after 30 years of teaching. We acknowledge her commitment to her students and to the community, and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1921)

Ruth Scheibenpflug, of Buxton, who teaches at Mahoney Middle School in South Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 36 years of teaching. We acknowledge her commitment to her students and to the community, and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1922)

Karrie Brawn, of Presque Isle, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 81, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment; (HLS 1923)

Jerry Lavigne, of Orneville Twp, on being named the 2006 Millinocket Fin and Feather Club Sportsman of the Year. We send him our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 1924)

Stephanie Lyn Crosby, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Stearns High School. We extend our congratulations to Stephanie on this accomplishment; (HLS 1925)

Jessica Marie Speed, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named co-Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Stearns High School. We extend our congratulations to Jessica on this accomplishment; (HLS 1926)

Michael J. Dubois, of Millinocket, who has earned the distinction of being named co-Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Stearns High School. We extend our congratulations to Michael on this accomplishment; (HLS 1927)

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Specialist Doug Redleske, of Wilton, who has returned home from active duty with the 153rd Maintenance Company stationed in Iraq. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Redleske who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Redleske home and we extend our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 1928)

Ella W. Moore, of Warren, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, May 10, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Moore on this special occasion; (HLS 1929)

Karin Anderson, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Karin on this accomplishment; (HLS 1930)

Hope Sheedy, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Hope on this accomplishment; (HLS 1931)

Beth Tanquay, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Beth on this accomplishment; (HLS 1932)

Ashley Sheedy, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ashley on this accomplishment; (HLS 1933)

Anastasia Nadeau, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Anastasia on this accomplishment; (HLS 1934)

Amanda Welch, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Amanda on this accomplishment; (HLS 1935)

Ashley Chase, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the highest award in Cadette Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Ashley on this accomplishment; (HLS 1936)

Michelle Munger, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Michelle on this accomplishment; (HLS 1937)

Katelyn Baker, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Katelyn on this accomplishment; (HLS 1938)

Kayla Gamby, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Kayla on this accomplishment; (HLS 1939)

Elizabeth Foster, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Elizabeth on this accomplishment; (HLS 1940)

Melissa Brauning, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Melissa on this accomplishment; (HLS 1941)

Melissa Hawkes, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Melissa on this accomplishment; (HLS 1942)

Nakita Floyd, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Nakita on this accomplishment; (HLS 1943)

Shannon Johnson, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Shannon on this accomplishment; (HLS 1944)

Suzanne Vachon, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Suzanne on this accomplishment; (HLS 1945)

Tori Glen, of Berwick, who has received the Girl Scout Bronze Award. This is the highest award in Junior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Tori on this accomplishment; (HLS 1946)

Thomas F. Verrill, of Auburn, upon his retirement from Monmouth Academy. Mr. Verrill served as an Industrial Arts teacher at Monmouth Academy for 37 years. In this capacity, he represents the best of what we hope for in our teachers: dedication to his students, commitment to excellence in education and a friend and trusted colleague to his fellow teachers and administrators. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his well-deserved retirement; (HLS 1947)

David S. Heckman, of Monmouth, upon his retirement from the Monmouth school system. Mr. Heckman served as a mathematics teacher for 41 years and also stepped forward to serve as basketball and tennis coach. He helped develop the K-12 Math Curriculum and was a prime supporter and mentor of the Monmouth Academy Academic Decathlon Team. We send him our best wishes for an enjoyable and satisfying retirement; (HLS 1948)

the Honorable Bonnie Green, of Monmouth, former Member of the Maine House of Representatives in the 117th Legislature to the 120th Legislature, on her 25 years of teaching at Monmouth Academy. As a talented and committed teacher of Social Studies and English, Ms. Green shared her love of Shakespeare, history and writing with her students. She also contributed immeasurably to the quality of a Monmouth education through her work as advisor to the National Honor Society. As she ventures into an exciting and new phase of her life as a teacher in Pakistan, we send her our best wishes for success, not

limited to sunny days, green links and admiration from new students; (HLS 1949)

Teplyn Fournier, of Newport, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Nokomis Regional High School. Teplyn, the daughter of Lynn Cianchette and Peter Fournier, has been very active in varsity basketball, soccer and track. She also has been involved in the Latin Club, the Future Business Leaders of America, Student Council, the National Honor Society, Marching Band, Pep Band and Jazz Ensemble, and she was the Freshman Awareness Day Organizer. Additionally, Teplyn received 1st places at the State Future Business Leaders of America convention in Accounting, Introduction to Parliamentary Procedures and Introduction to Business, as well as a silver medal in the National Latin Exam. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Teplyn on her achievements; (HLS 1950)

Lauren Gadeberg, of Corinna, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Nokomis Regional High School. Lauren, the daughter of Craig and Karen Gadeberg, has been very active with extracurricular activities. She has been a member of the Future Business Leaders of America, the National Honor Society, the Student Council and the Latin Club. Lauren has participated in the Jazz Ensemble Auction, the Jazz Festival and senior citizen concerts. She has dedicated her time to the Ronald McDonald House, the National Emergency Response Team, Corinna food drives, blood drives and fundraisers for research on brain cancer, tuberculosis and breast cancer. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Lauren on her achievements; (HLS 1951)

Colonel Mitchell P. Sammons, of Belgrade, Commander of the Maine Wing of the United States Air Force Auxiliary-Civil Air Patrol from September 2002 to April 2006. The Maine Wing emergency preparedness performance level has been recognized by the United States Air Force as one of the best in the nation, due in large part to Colonel Sammons' leadership. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his State and Nation and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 1952)

Scott Alexander, of Glenburn, who took second place in the sportsman pro stock race at Speedway 95. We extend our congratulations to Scott on this accomplishment; (HLS 1953)

Steve Moulton, of Glenburn, who took second place in the super street race at Speedway 95. We extend our congratulations to Steve on this accomplishment; (HLS 1954)

Derek Pearson, of Glenburn, who took second place in the strictly street race at Speedway 95. We extend our congratulations to Derek on this accomplishment; (HLS 1955)

Carol Young, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement as a third grade teacher at the W.G. Mallett School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Young for her 36 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1956)

Greg Trefethen, of Embden, on the occasion of his retirement as an alternative education teacher at Mt. Blue Middle School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Trefethen for his 28 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1957)

Ron Sills, of Wilton, on the occasion of his retirement as a social studies teacher at Mt. Blue High School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Sills for his 24 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1958)

Helen Wilkey, of Vienna, on the occasion of her retirement as a fifth grade teacher at the Cascade Brook School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Wilkey for her 37 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1959)

Robin Bragg, of Wilton, on the occasion of her retirement as a second grade teacher at the Gerald D. Cushing School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Bragg for her 36 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1960)

Linda Greenleaf, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement as a secretary at the Gerald D. Cushing School. We send our appreciation to Ms. Greenleaf for her 30 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1961)

Donna Gould, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement as a reading recovery teacher at the Gerald D. Cushing School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Gould for her 24 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1962)

Nancy Prince, of Wilton, on the occasion of her retirement as an Ed Tech at the Cascade Brook School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Prince for her 10 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1963)

David Gould, of Wilton, on the occasion of his retirement as the Director of Physical Plant for School Administrative District No. 9. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Gould for his 16 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and extend to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 1964)

Daniel H. Barnes, of Swan's Island. Mr. Barnes proudly served as an ambulance attendant and fire chief on Swan's Island for more than 12 years. He worked as a stone mason and caretaker for many years and was also a great supporter of Alcoholics Anonymous and organized the Alcoholics Anonymous Group on Swan's Island. He was past president of the Swan's Island Electric Co-op and a member of the International Order of Odd Fellows Hancock Lodge 150. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1965)

the following members of the Westbrook High School Jazz Ensemble, on the occasion of their winning 1st place in Division One of the 2006 Maine State Jazz Festival: Kyle Anderson, Matt Brady, Nicholas Brady, Spencer Carson, Evan Chase, Leah Douglas, Tasha Gaige, Devon Gilbert, Alex Grant, Erika Laflamme, Jennifer Malloy, Eric Moberg, Andrew Morse, Keith Nelson, Jordan Rich, Jeff Rutter, Jack Siulinski, Jim Siulinski and Jessica Webster, and their director Phil Rich. In addition to placing first among 13 school ensembles, the ensemble had 3 individuals win 3 of the 5 Outstanding Musicianship Awards for Jazz Ensemble Performance: Jim Siulinski - tenor sax, Matt Brady - trumpet and Eric Moberg - trombone. This is the school's 4th Division One State Championship in 5 years. We send the Westbrook High School Jazz Ensemble our congratulations on its remarkable achievements; (HLS 1966)

Roberta "Bobbi" Scribner, of Harrison, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 672, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and



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community service. For her Gold Award project, Bobbi designed and constructed window boxes for Responsible Pet Care, a local cat shelter. Upon completion of the window boxes, Bobbi held an open house and collected cat food and supplies for the shelter's benefit. We extend our congratulations to Bobbi on this achievement; (HLS 1967)

Scott Aaron Snyder, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations to Scott on this accomplishment; (HLS 1968)

Nicole Marie Mitchell, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations to Nicole on this accomplishment; (HLS 1969)

Richard "Ricky" Michaud, of Caribou, a member of Boy Scout Troop 184, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Ricky designed and constructed an Adirondack shelter on the Nordic ski trail at Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations to Ricky on this achievement; (HLS 1970)

Kirsten Miller, of Sanford, a member of Girl Scout Troop #247, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. For her Gold Award project, Kirsten developed an after-school mentoring program for fifth-grade and sixth-grade band students to encourage them to continue with band through high school. The after-school program matched younger students with high school students, giving the fifth-grade and sixth-grade students the opportunity to improve their skills while gaining confidence in their abilities. We extend our congratulations to Kirsten on this achievement; (HLS 1971)

Selma Abusamra Ferris, of Brewer, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, May 12, 2006. Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, Mrs. Ferris was one of 10 children. She and her late husband, Elias, ran a Brewer landmark business, the Ferris Store, selling paint and hardware. She is the mother of 2 children and has 4 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 1972)

Samantha Powers, of East Millinocket, who has attained the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Schenck High School. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 1973)

Breann Stanley, of East Millinocket, who has attained the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Schenck High School. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 1974)

Lee Gilman, of Winthrop, upon her retirement from the Wonder Awhile Nursery School as a devoted early childhood teacher. Ms. Gilman has been with Wonder Awhile Nursery School for 38 years. Spending her days reading stories, doing arts and crafts, cooking and going on field trips, Ms. Gilman has been the teacher for nearly 2,000 three-year-old and four-year-old children. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the children and to the community and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1975)

Joan Gilbert, of Industry, on the occasion of her retirement as a physical education and health teacher at Mt. Abram Regional High School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Gilbert for her 29 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the

State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1976)

Ann Burdin, of Wilton, on the occasion of her retirement as a second grade teacher at the Strong Elementary School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Burdin for her 27 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1977)

Linda Pitcher, of Kingfield, on the occasion of her retirement as a fourth grade teacher at the Strong Elementary School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Pitcher for her 21 years of dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1978)

China Middle School's Eighth-grade Future Problem Solving Team, on its representing Maine at the International Future Problem Solving Competition held in Colorado. We salute Adam Childs, Logan Merrithew, Natalie Norton, Courtney Gee, Jacob Taylor, James Downer, Jason Grotton, Michael Raffia, Christopher Vogel, Aaren Rivard and Sam Seekins and Coach Gail Perry on this achievement and we send them our best wishes; (HLS 1979)

Rachel Siviski, of Falmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to Rachel on her achieving this accomplishment; (HLS 1980)

Erin Mullaney, of Falmouth, who has received the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We send our congratulations to Erin on her achieving this accomplishment; (HLS 1981)

Lucille Ella Moran, of Readfield, on the occasion of her 99th Birthday, June 28, 2006. Mrs. Moran was born in St. Francis, Canada and attended schools in Presque Isle, Maine. Following graduation from Presque Isle High School, she worked at the local telephone exchange and picked potatoes every fall. She met her husband John Patrick Charles Moran while she worked as a housekeeper on a local farm. They were together for 64 years, and they raised 10 children in a 3-room farmhouse. In 1974, Mr. and Mrs. Moran moved to Readfield, always looking forward to the summers when all their children would return home to Maine. Mrs. Moran, who is the holder of the Boston Post Cane in Readfield, continues to maintain her home and spends her time as a member of the local senior citizen group and the Golden Guys/Gals, as well as enjoying her 28 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and 7 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Moran on her birthday and send her our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 1982)

Joseph's Clothing, of Fairfield, on the 60th Anniversary of its doing business on Main Street. Founded by Abraham Joseph in 1887 in Waterville as a dry goods store, it moved to Main Street in Fairfield in 1927. In 1946, Harold Joseph and his wife Najla took over the store with Harold's brother Billy, who worked with them for 20 years. They expanded the store to include sporting goods in addition to work clothes and boots. Joseph's Clothing exemplifies the best in Maine's small businesses and we send Harold and Najla Joseph, all their family members and all their employees our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 1983)

James Toner, of Fairfield, on his longtime service to the City of Waterville. Mr. Toner, the community services director and, for the last 18 years, parks and recreation director, is leaving to

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become director of fitness and recreation for the University of Maine at Farmington. We acknowledge his exemplary dedication to the Waterville community, and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 1984)

Mason Norton, of Livermore, on the celebration of his 90th birthday, June 29, 2006. Mr. Norton has been a good friend and neighbor to everyone in the community. He owned and pulled champion steer and oxen all his life and participated in pulling events at local fairs. He is a master craftsman in making ox yokes and ox shoes. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Norton on this special occasion; (HLS 1985)

Alfred W. Coffin, a well-loved resident of Phippsburg. The town dedicated the latest town report to his memory as a token of its respect and affection. Mr. Coffin operated the transfer station and worked for the town for more than 30 years. He was a dedicated employee and a friend to all. He was also a self-employed fisherman. He enjoyed talking and visiting with friends, doing puzzles and working with metal. He will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered by his family, neighbors and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1986)

Francis John "Jay" LaRosa, of Sweden, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 151, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Jay organized a variety show for the elderly at the Senior Center in Wakefield, Massachusetts. We extend our congratulations to Jay on this achievement; (HLS 1987)

the Inn By The Sea, in Cape Elizabeth, recipient of a Green Lodging Certification from Maine's Department of Environmental Protection. The Inn is one of the first hotels in the State to receive the certification, which was awarded to the Inn for its ongoing commitment to aligning business practices with environmental responsibility. The Inn has incorporated water conservation, energy efficiency and solid waste minimization and has created an indigenous landscape to support wildlife habitats. We extend our appreciation to the Inn for its commitment to the environment and send our congratulations on its receiving this award; (HLS 1988)

the Fryeburg Academy Vocal Jazz Ensemble on winning the Division I Title at the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival. The ensemble's very successful season included Third Place at the Berklee Jazz Festival, First Place at the University of New Hampshire Jazz Festival and First Place at the Maine State Vocal Jazz Festival for the Vocal Jazz Ensemble; University of New Hampshire Honorable Mention and First Place Division I at the Maine State Instrumental Jazz Festival for the BOTC Jazz Combo; First Place Multi Combo Division at the Maine State Instrumental Jazz Festival for the Headhunters Combo; and Honorable Mention at the University of New Hampshire Jazz Festival and the Maine State Jazz Festival for Big Band. All team members are to be commended for their efforts and hours of dedication. We extend our congratulations on these accomplishments to the members of the ensemble: Josh Strange, Laura Miklos, Anya Rose, Owen Conforte, Alex Nikazmerad, Trisha Cloutier, Caitlin Armstrong, Katie Blynn, Katie Shorey, Sonja Francisco, Hannah Hill, Hannah Johnson, Louise Alfano, Tim Even, Rob Crowson, Jared LaCasce, Paul Allen, Stephen Mead, Dan Rounds, Chris Climo, Corinne Cahill, Heather Haley and Emily Holden; and directors Brent LaCasce and Chris Forbes; (HLS 1989)

Kenneth Black, of Union, who is known as "Mr. Lighthouse" throughout the country for his longtime work with lighthouse preservation. He has been awarded Lighthouse Digest

magazine's "Beacon of Light Award" for his efforts in preserving lighthouse artifacts and history. A former coastguardsman, he started a lighthouse artifact collection at the Rockland Coast Guard Station, which was eventually housed in the old Shore Village Museum. This collection is now in the new Maine Lighthouse Museum founded by Mr. Black, which opened on June 25, 2005 in Rockland. Phase II of the grand opening of the museum occurs this year with the dedication of the CWO Kenneth Black Exhibition Hall. We acknowledge Mr. Black's generous contributions to lighthouse history in this State and the Nation and we join the rest of the Nation in proclaiming Kenneth Black "Mr. Lighthouse"; (HLS 1990)

Martha Reed Coles, of Harpswell, longtime and prominent member of the community. Mrs. Coles grew up in Port Washington, New York and was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Barnard College. She earned a master's degree in zoology from Columbia University and worked on genetics research at Rockefeller Institute. She married James Stacy Coles in 1938. In 1952, she became "first lady" of Bowdoin College when her husband became the 9th president of the school, and she played an active and vital role in many aspects of campus life and the community. She served on the Governor's Advisory Commission on Education, the Maine Civil Rights Commission and the White House Conference on Education, and she was chair of the Maine Advisory Committee on Teacher Education and Certification. In 1967, the family moved to New York City, and Mrs. Coles served as a volunteer, teaching literacy and English as a second language at an elementary school in East Harlem. Mrs. Coles moved to Harpswell in 1979 and maintained an extensive network of old and new friends while she continued her lifelong interests in education, arts and the civic life of her community and her state. She took up oil painting and exhibited and sold her work in numerous shows in the area. Martha Reed Coles will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, neighbors and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1991)

Guy "Danny" Myrand, of Lewiston, beloved husband, father and grandfather. He worked for Maine Central Railroad starting as a brakeman and retiring as a conductor after 40 years of service. He served in the United States Air Force in World War II as a pilot in the 13th Army Air Corps, 42nd Bomb Group and flew 40 missions in the Pacific Theater. He retired from the Air Force Reserves as a Major in 1971. He married his wife, Therese Aube, in 1974 and they raised 15 children together. He was a member of the American Legion Post 22 and an active member of the Vineyard Church. He will be greatly missed by his loving family; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 1992)

Amber Duguay, of Mexico, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Amber's goal was to introduce elementary students to music by providing them with an opportunity to participate in a music program. The week-long after-school program included teaching the students to sing, play an instrument and improve their musical abilities. The students also performed a concert. We commend Amber for her many hours of dedication to her community and extend our congratulations to her on her achieving this distinctive honor; (HLS 1993)

George Howard Dyer, of Otisfield, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday, June 29, 2006. Mr. Dyer was born and raised in Otisfield and is the town's current holder of the Boston Post Cane, as the town's oldest citizen. He attended school in Otisfield and, after graduating, moved to Lynn, Massachusetts to work and attend school through an electrical company. After

finishing school, he began working for the federal government as a railroad auditor. Mr. Dyer moved back to Maine in 1930, taking a job buying and selling lumber. He then went on to work for the highway department for 40 years. Through the years, he served as Otisfield's town treasurer, tax collector and constable and as a selectman and school board member. He was a volunteer at Market Square Health Center and has twice walked the town line, the second time at the age of 95. Mr. Dyer still enjoys getting plenty of fresh air by cutting his own firewood and riding his 6-wheel all-terrain vehicle through the forest. He stays active around his home and is an avid traveler, last year taking a trip to Alaska. Mr. Dyer is more than happy to share stories of his century of living in Maine, including meeting Civil War veterans, who shared their tales of battle, and living through the Great Depression. We extend our best wishes to Mr. Dyer on the centennial celebration of his life; (HLS 1994)

Brenda Stitham, of Glenburn, a volunteer paramedic with G&H Ambulance Service, on her retirement after 30 years of service to the residents of Glenburn and Hudson. We acknowledge her many years of dedication to her community and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1995)

John Bagnulo, of Freeman Township, who became the first person from the State of Maine to climb to the summit of Mt. Everest, the tallest mountain in the world. Mr. Bagnulo, a graduate of Mt. Blue High School, left his position as a professor at the University of Maine at Farmington to pursue his dream of conquering Mt. Everest. Mr. Bagnulo and his climbing partner, Bill Yeo, of Durham, chose to climb without guides from the less-traveled Chinese side of the mountain. The two men were also collecting soil samples from Mt. Everest for an environmental study at the University of Southern Maine. We acknowledge John Bagnulo's extraordinary feat of courage and determination and we congratulate him on his achievement; (HLS 1996)

Kathleen Gilks, of Hermon, on her retirement after working for the Hermon School Department for 66 years. Mrs. Gilks began her career with the school department in 1940, assisting janitors in the one-room schoolhouse she attended, and later, in 1959, she joined the lunch program. In recognition of her dedication to the community, the Hermon School Department has named the Hermon High School cafeteria the Kathleen "Kay" Gilks Cafeteria in her honor. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Gilks and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 1997)

the following students from Noble High School in North Berwick: Mary Plaisted, Tiffany Savage, Renee Pellitier, Kara Evans, Sarah Huppe and Brit Ricker and coach Ron Plaisted and assistant coach Janice Huppe, who are the state champions of the Jungle Bloke Division III Odyssey of the Mind Competition. The team competed in the World Competition at Iowa State University from May 24th to 27th, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck at the World Competition; (HLS 1998)

Barbara McPheters, of Freeport, for her efforts and leadership in preserving Freeport's historic cemeteries. As spokesperson for Friends of Freeport Cemeteries since 2000, she has gracefully but firmly advocated for the Town of Freeport to invest in the preservation and maintenance of these important historical and cultural resources leading the Town to dedicate \$48,000 to this cause. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. McPheters on this accomplishment; (HLS 1999)

Kathie and Jamie LeBlanc and Roger Beaulieu, of Freeport, developers of the Hilton Garden Inn & Conference Center, for the rehabilitation of the old Town Hall in Freeport, originally constructed in 1849. The rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of

the old Town Hall demonstrate their commitment to the long-term stewardship of this classic Greek Revival building. Their project demonstrates the best in collaboration between public and private interests and working together in furthering the preservation of Maine's cultural resources. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kathie and Jamie LeBlanc and Roger Beaulieu on this accomplishment; (HLS 2000)

Lewis P. Auspland, of Portland, outgoing Commander of the Department of Maine AMVETS, in honor of his years of service to his State and his fellow veterans. A proud graduate of Portland High School, he received his B.A. degree from Andover College in Portland and has pursued a professional career in sales and marketing in the fishing industry. A longtime member of Loring Memorial Post 25 AMVETS, Mr. Auspland has served as coordinator of the annual "Four Chaplains" services, assisted in building the Major Charles Loring Memorial Circle and for many years has devoted his time to fundraising for the Maine Special Olympics. We salute his spirit of volunteerism and dedication to the cause of veterans across Maine, the "Pine Tree State"; (HLS 2001)

Whitney Grass, of Mars Hill, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations to Whitney on this achievement; (HLS 2002)

Tessa Ireland, of Easton, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Easton Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations to Tessa on this achievement; (HLS 2003)

Kari Beckom, of Mars Hill, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Easton Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations to Kari on this achievement; (HLS 2004)

Andrew York, of Mars Hill, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Central Aroostook Junior-Senior High School. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on this achievement; (HLS 2005)

Bryan Lamoreau, of Caribou, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Bryan on his achieving this high honor; (HLS 2006)

Julie Carson, of Caribou, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Julie on her achieving this high honor; (HLS 2007)

the Honorable Frank J. Tarazewich, of East Waterboro, former member of the Maine House of Representatives during the 120th Legislature. Mr. Tarazewich served in the United States Marine Corps from 1953 to 1956 and played semi-professional football with the Portland Seahawks. After receiving his master's degree in education, he coached football at Thornton Academy and was a physical education teacher, football coach and later district principal for 10 years at Greenville High School. He then worked for Maine School Administrative District #57 for 22 years, first as a transportation coordinator and elementary school district supervisor and later as the principal of Alfred Elementary School. Mr. Tarazewich was a youth hockey coach in Sanford and president of Maine Club Ice Hockey Association for Massabesic High School. We acknowledge his longtime dedicated service to his community and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2008)

Catherine Glover, of Topsham, on her retirement from the Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber of Commerce. During her tenure as President and CEO of the chamber, the name was

changed to reflect the 16 communities represented. Ms. Glover has worked tirelessly for the community and has seen the chamber double its programming and increase its membership by almost 150 members. We acknowledge her strong leadership role in the Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber of Commerce and her dedication to the midcoast business community. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 2009)

the Maine Conservation School, of Bryant Pond, on its 50th Anniversary. Originally designed to intensify conservation education in Maine, the school's many summer and K-12 programs have introduced children and adults to a unique blend of outdoor fun, environmental education and practical outdoor skills. The school encompasses more than 200 acres with forest and mountain trails, outdoor classrooms, archery and rifle ranges, recreation fields, streams, ponds and wetlands on Lake Christopher and Bryant Pond near Bethel and Maine's White Mountains. Over the past 5 decades, the Maine Conservation School has consistently followed a vision of expanding understanding of our State's dependence on our natural resources and promoting awareness of conservation best practices. At present, nearly 900 teachers have formally participated in the program offerings and more than 2,000 public school students have taken weeklong courses. Close to 6,000 students and leaders have visited the campus for one-day orientations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Maine Conservation School on its 50th Anniversary and we send the school our best wishes for future success; (HLS 2010)

Lawrence "Larry" Gross, Jr., of Brunswick, a member of the Maine State Police for 24 years and the Executive Director of the Maine State Troopers Association and the Maine Association of Police. Mr. Gross was a graduate of the Maine State Police Academy and spent the early part of his career in the Criminal Investigation Division. He retired in 1992 as Lieutenant in charge of the Internal Affairs Division. He was also a consultant for the Maine State Law Enforcement Association. We acknowledge Mr. Gross's 38 years of dedicated service to his profession and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his colleagues and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2011)

the 70th anniversary of the Miss Maine Scholarship Pageant, a not-for-profit organization that provides young women of Maine with opportunities for growth and achievement. The Miss Maine Scholarship Pageant is the official state preliminary to the Miss America Pageant, one of the nation's leading achievement programs and the largest source of scholarships for women in the world. The woman chosen as Miss Maine receives thousands of dollars in college scholarships as well as the opportunity to compete for the title of Miss America. Each contestant, regardless of placement, earns valuable college assistance. The 2006 Miss Maine Pageant is to be held at the Crooker Theater in Brunswick on June 2 and June 3, 2006. We extend our congratulations to all the people who make this pageant a success, and we send them our best wishes on this anniversary; (HLS 2012)

Florence "Flossie" Elizabeth Wyman Jewell, of Bath, on the celebration of her 90th birthday. Mrs. Jewell was born May 28, 1916 on the family farm in Phippsburg. It was said that she was the first girl born on the farm in 110 years. She graduated from Morse High School in 1934, worked for the Bath Water District for 29 years, then worked in the banking industry for 14 years, and finally worked for Parkview Hospital for 6 years. Now a great-grandmother of 9, Mrs. Jewell married Robert Jewell in 1939. She taught Sunday school at Grace Church for more than 25

years, was a member of "The Thimble Club" for 25 years, and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, for whom she served as Regent and Treasurer. She volunteered in the library at Parkview Hospital for 11 years, as a driver for Meals on Wheels for 13 years, and at the Woolwich Museum and the Phippsburg Museum for 7 years. Mrs. Jewell moved to The Moorings senior citizen housing center in 1981 and in her honor and showing its appreciation for 25 years of her being a wonderful tenant, the Bath Housing Authority proclaimed April 3rd as "Flossie Jewell Day." We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Jewell on this very special occasion; (HLS 2013)

Hannah Fontana, of Wilton, on her 90th Birthday, May 5, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Fontana on this special occasion; (HLS 2014)

Lela G. Anderson, of Corea, on the occasion of her retirement after 50 years of dedicated service with Bumblebee Foods, LLC. She has been a devoted and loyal worker, stepping up to the bat even in times of personal troubles. Ms. Anderson is well liked and highly respected by her fellow workers. She enjoys the status of being the only person in the Prospect Harbor plant who can say she has worked at the plant for a half of a century. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Anderson in her future endeavors; (HLS 2015)

Zachary Stubbs, of Smyrna Mills, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 221, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, personal growth, leadership and community service. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this achievement; (HLS 2016)

Noel Dale Pratt, of Oakfield, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community School. Noel has been very active during her high school years. She is a member of the National Honor Society and was a participant in the Drama Club. She placed first in Keyboarding and Advanced Keyboarding in the Business Education Association of Maine contest. She received the Phi Beta Kappa Award and the Maine Scholar Leader Award. We extend our congratulations to Noel and send her our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2017)

Mindy Grant, of Crystal, who has earned the distinction of being named Second Honor Essayist of the 2006 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community School. Mindy has been very active during her high school years. She is a member of the National Honor Society and the Student Council and has been involved in Varsity Girls Soccer. Mindy has been active in Band, competing in All-Aroostook Music Festivals throughout high school as well as serving as president. She has competed at the state level in the Business Education Association of Maine (BEAM). We extend our congratulations to Mindy and send her our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2018)

Patrick Willett, of Sherman, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Katahdin High School. Patrick has participated in soccer, basketball and baseball. He was active in Student Council, the National Honor Society and was a delegate to Boys State. We extend our congratulations to Patrick and send him our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2019)

Courtney Louise Violette, of Island Falls, who has earned the distinction of being named First Honor Essayist of the 2006 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community School. Courtney has been very active during her high school years. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has been involved in the yearbook, the French Club, the Drama Club and Dollars for Scholars. She served as Class President her

freshman year and was a Maine Youth Leadership School Representative her sophomore year. She received an Outstanding Academic Achievement Award and the Maine Youth Leadership Award. We extend our congratulations to Courtney and send her our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2020)

Owen McCarthy, of Patten, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Katahdin High School. Owen has participated in volleyball, golf, basketball and baseball. He has also been active in Student Council and the National Honor Society, serving as Regional President his senior year. We extend our congratulations to Owen and send him our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2021)

Bethany M. Gould, of Dyer Brook, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Southern Aroostook Community School. Bethany has been active in Dollars for Scholars, the Drama Club, the French Club and the yearbook. She has participated in Student Council and is a member of the National Honor Society. Bethany received an award for the highest average in French III and is a recipient of the Maine Principal's Award. We extend our congratulations to Bethany on these achievements and send her our best wishes for continued academic success; (HLS 2022)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Lisbon High School class of 2006: Candice Lacy Avery, Rebecka Mae Beal, Kaleb Scott Boucher, Angelica Leah Estes, Rachelle Courtney Henry, Emily Linita Law, Soleil Lucienne Mathieu, Kayla Suzanne Pelletier, Vickery Laura Rendall and Elijah Thomas Trefts. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2023)

the members of the Lebanon Volunteer Rescue Squad for their dedicated service to the community during the floods that recently affected York County: Samantha Cole, Jason Cole, Alan Therrien, Natasha Kinney, Stuart Morrison, Tim Wagner, Jim Kinney, Neil Bailey, Jack Cole, Carrie Collins, CJ Deshaies, Dan Deshaies, Ryan Dominique, Diane Elliott, Rick Elliott, Kevin Foster, Daniel French, Marie Frizell, Kevin Frost, Joshua Gagnon, Bob Gay, Ron German, Doug Gowen, Jake Greenlaw, Bill Johnson, Mike Hynds, Gordon Kendall, Jon Kinney, Patrick Lambert, Reo Landry, Paul Lucas, Angela MacKinnon, Ryan Marcoux, Samantha Mercier, Jared Moreau, Andy Noyes, Michael Putnam, Marjorie Ritter, Brian Roy, Kyle Sikes, Kyle Santousuo, Amy Smith, Jim Soucy, George Tarbox, Janet Therrien, Brandon Umling, Bryanna Umling, Mike Vachon, Steve Vincent and Larry Woods. We thank them for their many hours of volunteer service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 2024)

the members of the Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department for their dedicated service to the community during the floods that recently affected York County: Fire Chief Skip Wood, Eric Neubert, Jerry Kibbey, Marshall Baxter, Clem Baxter, Henry Stewart, Mark Eddows, Joe Perron, Daniel Roy, Steve Courcey, Adam Prince, Dave Waleryszak, Matthew Beal, Rick St.Cyr, William Stacewicz, Tom Torno, Brandon Umling, Bryanna Umling, Steve Vincent, Brian Roy, Andy Noyes, Joshua Gagnon, Junior Firefighter Samantha Mercier, Junior Firefighter Ryan Dominique and Junior Firefighter Allison Roy. We thank them for their many hours of volunteer service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 2025)

the members of the Berwick Volunteer Firefighters for their dedicated service to the community during the floods that recently affected York County: Chief Dennis Plante, Assistant Chief Bruce Plante, Deputy Chief Brian Beeler, Captain Roger

Saucier, Captain Steve Plante, Captain Marc Plante, Crew Chief David Reynolds, Robert Couture, Jeff Libby, Jonnathon Terry, Timothy Craig, Steven Thomas, Travis Doiron, Robert Tibbetts, Corey Tibbetts, Jessica Murphy, Lysa Maxwell, Wilfred Fallon, Tommy Fournier, Jamie Fallon, Darcy Valido, Al Turner, Dan Gilbert, George Lowery, Sam Tibbetts, Kevin Dumont, David Fallon, Steve Boston, Tyler Cunningham, Andrew Trowbridge and Dean Tibbetts. We thank them for their many hours of volunteer service to the community during this emergency situation; (HLS 2026)

Cecile (Gagnon) Paradis, of Frenchville, on the celebration of her 90th birthday. Mrs. Paradis, born in Frenchville on January 29, 1916, is the daughter of Philip and Marie (Tardif) Gagnon. She married Rosaire Paradis, Sr. on May 11, 1937 at Ste-Luce Roman Catholic Church in Frenchville. She is the mother of 9 children: Joseph Ivan, Betty, Rosaire Jr., Rose Marie, Rita, Irene, James, Ronald and Janice. She is the grandmother of 17 grandchildren: Gregory, Paul, Michael, David, Joe Jr., Steve, Edith Ann, Michelle, Andrew, Nina, Peggy, Danny, Marcia, Julie, Sarah, Andrea and Katelyn. She is also the great-grandmother of 18 great-grandchildren. Blessed with a sharp mind and a great memory, Mrs. Paradis takes pride in recalling the important dates in the lives of her extended family and close friends. She loves to receive the company of relatives and friends at her cozy apartment in Villa Ste-Luce and she also loves to visit her family members in the area. She enjoys playing gin rummy, making word puzzles, watching her favorite television shows and listening to English or French expression radio. She is proud of her Franco-American heritage and the history of the St. John Valley. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Paradis on this very special occasion; (HLS 2027)

Specialist Raymond Roussel, of Augusta, who has returned home from active duty in Iraq with the 152nd Maintenance Company, Maine National Guard. We have been blessed with generations of men and women like Specialist Roussel who have stepped forward to fight for the security of this nation so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom. We join citizens throughout the State in welcoming Specialist Roussel home and in extending our appreciation to him for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 2028)

the members of the Mid-Coast School of Technology Robotics Team #1276 "Kaizen Blitz," winners of the New England Regional Competition in Manchester, New Hampshire: William Hayes, Brenton Lacombe, Jake Agunas, Justin Hagelin, Miles Davee, Ian Curtis, Andrew Start, Greg Gagne, Andy Curtis, Derek McConnell, JC Whittier, Joe Pease, Kelly MacNeill, Scott Cowan, Kristen Start, Morgan Cafferata, Aaron Hadley, Ben Ward, Dustin Stephens, Matthew Mercier, Mitch Gagne, Savannah Agunas and Casey Hagelin. The team also won the Regional Team Spirit Award. The team went on to compete at the International Competition in Atlanta, Georgia and placed 6th out of 87 teams. The Robotic Competition is sponsored by For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST). The program encourages students to develop their interests and test their skills in pneumatics, mechanics, electronics, control systems, public relations, fundraising and promoting safety in handling equipment and machines. We extend our congratulations to the team on its achievements; (HLS 2029)

Adam Tweedie, of Bucksport, who has been named State Wrestling Champion in the 189-Pound Weight Class. Adam, a senior at Bucksport High School, completed an undefeated season of 42-0. Coached by Larry Clement, Adam gave countless hours of dedication and practice to the sport of

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wrestling. We wish Adam continued success at Bucksport High School as well as in his future career goals; (HLS 2030)

Jonathan Pelletier, of Bucksport, who is the State Wrestling Champion in the 130-Pound Weight Class. Jonathan, who is coached by Larry Clement, is a sophomore at Bucksport High School. We commend Jonathan for his dedication and countless hours of practice in the sport of wrestling and wish him well as he continues his education at Bucksport High School as well as in his future career; (HLS 2031)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Maranacook Community High School class of 2006: Valedictorian Bryce Spalding, Salutatorian Kaitlin Watts, Shannon Bean, Jason Dodd, Katie Jennings, Dencie LeVeen, Maisie Libby, Nicholas Mancini, Haley Schwartz and Jane Tyler. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2032)

Joyce Merrill, of Saco, on her retirement from Little Folk Nursery School. Ms. Merrill will be remembered not only by her students but also by every parent and grandparent who entrusted her with the care, guidance and education of their young children. We acknowledge her patience, dedication, leadership and the enormous creative talent that she demonstrated in her position. On the first day of school as young 3-year-olds, the children entered her school to see their pictures lovingly placed over special coat hooks. Visiting her home on Halloween night 5, 10 or 20 years later, they saw their pictures placed on the tables beside her candy and gifts. "Miss Joyce" has inspired countless young children and will be remembered fondly by those whose lives she touched. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2033)

Maura Cass, of Eliot, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Marshwood High School. We extend our congratulations to Maura on this achievement; (HLS 2034)

Margaret Wildnauer, of South Berwick, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Marshwood High School. We extend our congratulations to Margaret on this achievement; (HLS 2035)

Deborah Emery, of Wayne, principal of the Henry L. Cottrell School in Monmouth, who was named the 2006 Distinguished Elementary Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. This award is given for her effective leadership, commitment to academic excellence, high expectations and standards, creation of a culture that supports learning, contributions to the profession and community service. Ms. Emery has been principal since 1999, and before that she taught at Winthrop Grade School for 10 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Emery on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2036)

Stephen Ranney, of Thomaston, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Georges Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Stephen on this achievement; (HLS 2037)

Freya Levett, of Tenants Harbor, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Georges Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Freya on this achievement; (HLS 2038)

Dr. James C. Patterson, of Camden, on his retirement as Director of the University of Maine Hutchinson Center. Dr. Patterson graduated from three different campuses of the University of Maine System before earning his Doctor of Education degree from the University of Sarasota. In the fall of 2000 Dr. Patterson became the first director of the Hutchinson Center. During his 35-year career, Dr. Patterson has been a teacher, principal, superintendent, college academic dean and

president of Northern Maine Community College. He has also worked in the private sector for a number of years as an owner of a metal fabrication and welding company and the owner of a general consulting firm. Dr. Patterson was instrumental in the establishment of Maine's first charter school, the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. He currently serves on nine public and private sector boards, including the Camden School Committee Board of Directors, of which he is the chair, the United Mid-Coast Charities Board of Directors and Youth Links. Dr. Patterson also serves as Incorporator to Waldo County HealthCare, Inc. We congratulate Dr. Patterson on his many achievements and thank him for his numerous contributions in improving the quality of education for so many of Maine's young people; (HLS 2039)

Ouida Schwartz, of Gorham, who is the recipient of the Remember ME Award from the Maine Health Care Association for her lifetime service to others. A resident of Gorham House, Mrs. Schwartz has led an exemplary life of generosity and creativity. She is an accomplished musician and has shared her music through playing and teaching. Writing professionally and as an avocation, Mrs. Schwartz wrote plays for good causes, book reviews and, with her husband, 2 volumes of church history. She was always an active participant in service to her parish, helping her late husband with his ministry in the Methodist Church. Having overcome many serious illnesses, Mrs. Schwartz has not let these conditions dampen her spirit or her desire to help other people. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 2040)

Mary "Mamie" Newell Guild, of Bath, longtime prominent resident of the area. Born in Bath in 1913, Mrs. Guild was the daughter of William Stark "Pete" Newell, who founded the Bath Iron Works Corporation in 1927. In 1939, she married Eastham "Buddy" Guild, Jr., the nephew of the late Eleanor Boyd Hyde, whose husband's family founded the original Bath Iron Works Limited after the Civil War. Mrs. Guild was a lover of golf and was also a very concerned and active volunteer at the Bath Memorial Hospital, the Maine Maritime Museum, the American Red Cross and the Pine Tree Society for Crippled Children, then housed at the Hyde family's old Elmhurst estate and now the Hyde School. She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her loving family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2041)

Paul MacDonald, of Millinocket, on the occasion of his retirement as principal at Stearns High School after 38 years in the school system and two years in Oakfield. Mr. MacDonald was a coach, adult education and GED instructor and assistant principal before being hired as principal. Mr. MacDonald will be missed by the staff, students and community. We extend our appreciation to Mr. MacDonald for his dedication and commitment to the youth of the State and send our best wishes to him in his future endeavors; (HLS 2042)

Jolene Belanger, of Glenburn, a senior at Bangor High School, who is the recipient of the 2006 DAR Good Citizen Award, sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution in recognition of a student's leadership, dependability, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Jolene on her receiving this award; (HLS 2043)

Steven Hanson, of Rockland, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years with School Administrative District No. 5. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hanson for his dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (HLS 2044)

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Patricia Michaud, of Rockland, on the occasion of her retirement after 38 years with School Administrative District No. 5. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Michaud for her dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2045)

Alison Dyer, of Rockland, on the occasion of her retirement after 38 years with School Administrative District No. 5. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Dyer for her dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2046)

Mary Perry, of Rockland, on the occasion of her retirement after 39 years with School Administrative District No. 5. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Perry for her dedicated service and commitment to the youth of the State and send to her our congratulations and best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2047)

Holly Knight, of Berwick, for her 11 years of service to the Girl Scouts. Ms. Knight has been a troop consultant, troop leader, troop recruiter and organizer and orienter. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Knight for her commitment to the youth of the State; (HLS 2048)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Erskine Academy class of 2006: Valedictorian Brandon Newman, Salutatorian Mason Carney, Morgan Malley, Jason LaFlamme, Christine Howard, Ashley Roberge, Mason Emery, Melanie Pinkham, Lee Thompson and Emily Powell. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2049)

Patricia Dougherty, of South Thomaston, who is the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award given at the annual Maine Emergency Medical Services awards ceremony. Ms. Dougherty, an emergency medical technician, was honored for her 30 years of being active in the field of emergency services. For 25 years, she held the position of director of the South Thomaston Ambulance. Acknowledged for her community involvement and staunch dedication to the community's ambulance service, Ms. Dougherty's professionalism and dedication earned her the respect and admiration of those she worked with. Recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Award must have demonstrated comprehensive commitment with EMS for at least 10 years, while regularly performing duties above and beyond expectations. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Dougherty for her many years of service to her community and State; (HLS 2050)

Michael A. Leo, Jr., of Thomaston, who is the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award given at the annual Maine Emergency Medical Services awards ceremony. Mr. Leo, an emergency medical technician, was honored for his 30 years of responding to an extensive array of emergency calls in Thomaston and surrounding communities. Recipients of the Lifetime Achievement Award must have demonstrated comprehensive commitment with EMS for at least 10 years, while regularly performing duties above and beyond expectations. Mr. Leo's family is deeply committed to the profession of emergency responders, as his brother, Alan, and two sons, Jamie and Tony, have worked in this field as well. He is recognized as the last remaining founder of the Thomaston Ambulance Service. He has also served his community as fire chief. His professionalism and dedication to his vocation earned him much respect and admiration. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Leo for his many years of service to his community and State; (HLS 2051)

Alana Knapp, of Strong, a student at Strong Elementary School, who is a recipient of the Secretary of State's 2006 8th Grade Citizenship Award. We extend Alana our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 2052)

Hope Gould, of Phillips, a student at Phillips School, who is a recipient of the Secretary of State's 2006 8th Grade Citizenship Award. We extend Hope our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 2053)

Ben Wooden, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top 10 seniors of the 2006 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School. We extend our congratulations to Ben on this achievement; (HLS 2054)

Alycia Buchheit, of Wilton, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top 10 seniors of the 2006 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School. We extend our congratulations to Alycia on this achievement; (HLS 2055)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Mt. Abram High School class of 2006: Christopher Michael Cayer, Joseph S. Dyar, Heather Michelle Hayes, Blair Kemp, Danielle Kate McDonald, Karina Aurelia Parrett, Joseph Alban Pelletier, Emily Mae Stinchfield, Briana Lyn Wilkins and Mara Ruth Ziglar. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2056)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Winthrop High School class of 2006: Valedictorian Emilie Knight, Salutatorian Seth Kimball, Laura Ravis, Kristin Laflamme, Ryan Czado, James Brophy, Adam Lyons, Alanna Dick, Danielle Murray and Kelli Lascko. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2057)

Rebecca Lynn Ledger, of Union, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Rebecca on this achievement; (HLS 2058)

Harold Weisbein, Jr., of Topsham, who was devoted to the teaching profession and was well respected by his students and peers. Mr. Weisbein was born in Woodbury, New Jersey and moved to Maine in 1989. He was a faculty member for York Community College, New Hampshire College - Brunswick Campus, the University of Southern Maine and Southern Maine Community College. Mr. Weisbein was employed as a full-time Assistant Professor at Southern Maine Community College, and also served on the faculty of the New Hampshire College - Brunswick campus. He was recently the recipient of the Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year award. He was an avid outdoorsman and expert canoeist who led many canoe trips down the Allagash River. Mr. Weisbein was a passionate environmentalist who volunteered his time to various environmental organizations. He was a talented artist who won many awards in his youth for his oil paintings. Mr. Weisbein will be greatly missed by his loving family and his friends, students and peers; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2059)

Glenwood A. Brewer, of Bangor and East Millinocket, a United States Navy veteran of World War II, serving in the South Pacific Theater. Mr. Brewer worked for Great Northern Paper Company for 44 years, retiring in 1987. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2060)

Riva Dumont, of South China, one of 12 finalists at the national Poetry Out Loud championship at Lincoln Theater in Washington, D.C. Riva was the State Finalist in the Poetry Out Loud National Recitation Contest sponsored by the Maine Arts Commission and the Maine Alliance for Arts Education in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts. We send Riva our congratulations and our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 2061)

Howard L. Dunn, of Glenburn, president and chief executive officer of the University Credit Union, who is retiring after 27

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years with the organization. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Dunn on this occasion; (HLS 2062)

Debbie Nichols, of Milo, who has been named Registered Nurse of the Year by New England Home Health Care. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Nichols on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2063)

Sue Page, of Corinth, who has been named Certified Nursing Assistant of the Year by New England Home Health Care. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Page on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2064)

Kevin Call, of Glenburn, Cadet 1st Lieutenant in the Hermon High School Junior ROTC program, who received an award from the American Legion for leadership and patriotism. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Kevin on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2065)

Ruth Weeks, of East Newport, who has been named Personal Care Assistant of the Year by New England Home Health Care. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Weeks on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2066)

Katherine Nadeau, of Glenburn, who is one of the top four graduates of the 2006 graduating class of Bangor High School. We send Katherine our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2067)

John Chisholm, of Levant, whose second novel is being published to raise funds for the Levant Heritage Library. Mr. Chisholm is donating all proceeds of the sale of the book to the library. We send him our best wishes and acknowledge his generous efforts on behalf of his community; (HLS 2068)

Arthur Gendron, of Lewiston, who is still operating Gendron Farms 66 years after taking over at 22 years of age. On June 6, 2006, Mr. Gendron is celebrating what would be the 64th anniversary of his marriage to his wife, Blanche, who we are sorry to hear has passed away. We join Mr. Gendron and his family and friends as they celebrate this special occasion; (HLS 2069)

the John F. Murphy Homes, Inc. home in Mechanic Falls, on its 20th anniversary of serving residents with mental retardation with high needs and helping this population with everyday living skills. We acknowledge the important role that John F. Murphy Homes, Inc. has in our communities, and we send them our appreciation for their dedication to the people they serve; (HLS 2070)

Will Flanders, of Standish, on being named the Most Improved Recruit of 2005 by the Standish Fire/EMS Department. Mr. Flanders has demonstrated great dedication to his studies to become a full-time firefighter and displays a professional attitude that makes him a good ambassador of the department. We commend him for his many dedicated hours of service to his community and we extend our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2071)

Mathew Warren, of Standish, who was named the 2005 Firefighter of the Year by the Standish Fire/EMS Department. Mr. Warren has earned a reputation for being an extremely diligent worker and is committed to increasing his level of training. We commend him for his many dedicated hours of service to his community and we extend our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2072)

Rob Caron, of Standish, who was named the 2005 Officer of the Year by the Standish Fire/EMS Department. Mr. Caron has earned this distinction in part because of his involvement with the new Engine 3 and his involvement in the water rescue training. He is a gentleman devoted to his profession. We commend him for his many hours of dedicated service to his community and we

extend our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2073)

Debra Hubbard, of Standish, who was named the 2005 EMS Personnel of the Year by the Standish Fire/EMS Department. Ms. Hubbard is an exceptional teacher with a positive attitude who is always willing to lend a hand. She is known for keeping in mind the best interests of the department. We commend her for her many dedicated hours of service to her community and we extend our congratulations on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2074)

the students and teachers of Vinalhaven High School, and the parents and community members who assisted them, who rebuilt and launched the steel-hulled sloop "Freya," which will carry Vinalhaven students on an educational trip down the East Coast of the United States. The launching marked the end of a process that took two and a half years to complete. The journey will be a 6-week cruise to the Chesapeake Bay and to Florida and back, while the students use their math and science skills and study maritime literature. We congratulate all the people involved in this special project that salutes the nautical heritage of their community and the State of Maine. We send them our best wishes for a successful voyage, with our hopes for "fair winds and following seas"; (HLS 2075)

Anna Rodriguez and Tara Trask, students on the Erskine Academy Future Problem Solving Team, who represented Maine at the International Future Problem Solving Competition held in Colorado. We salute Anna and Tara on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (HLS 2076)

Donna Churchill, of Industry, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District 9, after 32 years of service in the hot lunch program. We acknowledge Mrs. Churchill's dedication to the community and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2077)

Kari Beckom, of Mars Hill, a senior at Easton Junior-Senior High School, who is the recipient of the 2006 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Kari on her receiving this award; (HLS 2078)

the memory of the late George Mosher, of Wilton, on the occasion of the town report's dedication to him. Mr. Mosher passed away on March 26, 2006. He was a prominent and dedicated member of the community. He served with the Wilton Fire Department, Wilton Ambulance Service and Civil Defense and was a selectman; (HLS 2079)

Christopher Lambert Prickett, of Cambridge, for his dedication to the students at Dexter Middle School. Mr. Prickett is an outstanding teacher and continually strives to share his love of the musical world with those around him. He has expanded music in the lives of his students by starting an after-school bluegrass music workshop that grew into several bands: the Abbot Hill Wanderers at the middle school level, the Abbot Hill Ramblers at the high school level and the Abbott Hill Meanderers for advanced students and adults. He is truly a teacher in the purest sense of the word, always teaching by example with the utmost respect and skill. Mr. Prickett has been involved with music for many years. He was involved in a musical group upon graduating from Colby College in 1973. He also performed with Fred Pike and the Kennebec Valley Boys, the Northern Valley Boys and several other groups. He plays in the band called Evergreen, which he started with friends. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Prickett for his sharing his love of music with the youth of the State; (HLS 2080)

the following top 10 graduating students in the Dirigo High School class of 2006: Devin Brann, Deidre Gilbert, Michelle



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Hamann, Kerri Kimball, Holly Knight, Audrie Knox, Joshua Larsen, Lindsey Milledge, Jesse Mitchell and Donna White. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (HLS 2081)

J. Huston Dodge, of Damariscotta, for his outstanding and generous contributions to the people of midcoast Maine and beyond. Artist, historian, philanthropist, teacher, Mr. Dodge has always given of his time and expertise to both young and old. His recent gift of family land, Huston Landing on the Damariscotta River, dating back to 1740, will eternally be held in trust by the Damariscotta River Association for all the public to use. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Dodge for his generosity and commitment to the betterment of his community; (HLS 2082)

Stephen E. Walsh, of Winslow, on his successful leadership as President and Chief Executive Officer of HealthReach Community Health Centers, a sustainable network of 11 community-based health centers in Maine dedicated to high-quality, affordable health care. Mr. Walsh has been instrumental to the growth of the organization, increasing access for Maine people who have been medically underserved. Based in Waterville, HealthReach Community Health Centers provides qualified and caring professional services to the rural and underserved people of central and western Maine in over 80 communities. We acknowledge Mr. Walsh's exemplary and compassionate dedication to the people of Maine, and we extend to him our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 2083)

Acton Elementary School students Poleigh Driscoll, Luke Dionne, Natalie Dionne, Heather Pepin, Nicole Richard, Talia Linde and Emily Marquis and their coaches, Jennifer Flewellin and Tracy Scully, who are Division II State Champions of the Odyssey of the Mind Competition in the Tech Transfer event. The team went on to compete in the World Competition held at Iowa State University in May and placed 17th. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement; (HLS 2084)

Anita Wyllie Messer, of Warren, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, August 15, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Messer on the centennial celebration of her life; (HLS 2085)

Ruth Martha Clark Chaplin, of Steep Falls, who was a dedicated employee of the Steep Falls Memorial Library for 45 years. She began as the children's librarian and later was the head librarian. Mrs. Chaplin was a correspondent for the Guy Gannett newspapers in Portland as well as the American Journal in Westbrook and St. Joseph's College in Standish. She was very active in her community as a volunteer for the Well Child Clinic, the Salvation Army, the Republican Town Committee, the Steep Falls Cemetery Association and the Steep Falls Village Improvement Association. She was President of the Standish Senior Citizens and a member of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. She will be greatly missed by her 2 daughters, 6 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren and the entire community of Steep Falls to which she devoted much of her life; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2086)

Erica Elisa Edith Hobson, of Sanford, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 Graduating Class of Sanford High School. The daughter of Dan and Karen Hobson, Erica was the captain of the school's cross-country team and was also involved in a number of other school activities, including the National Honor Society and the track and field team. We extend our congratulations to Erica on her notable accomplishments and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 2087)

Sarah Elizabeth Sturmer Hoar, of Sanford, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 Graduating Class of Sanford High School. The daughter of Eric Hoar and Nancy Sturmer-Hoar, Sarah was the captain of the school's swim team and was also involved in a number of other school activities, including the Mock Trial Club, the National Honor Society, marching and concert bands and the Drama Club. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on her notable accomplishments and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 2088)

James Spellman, of Old Town, on his 80th Birthday, June 11, 2006. Born in Bangor in 1925, he moved to Old Town in 1957 when he married Marlene Guitard. They have 5 children, 9 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Mr. Spellman worked for the United States Postal Service until 1983. He is a United States Navy veteran of World War II and has been an active member of the Disabled American Veterans, the Old Town Elks and the Old Town Knights of Columbus. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2089)

Richard Repp, of Berwick, for his dedicated service to the United States Army during World War II. Mr. Repp was in the 955th Field Artillery Battalion Battery B 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion Company B from September 1943 to November 1945. He was present at the Battle of the Bulge, one of the most important battles of the war. Mr. Repp was forced to march over 100 miles to a prisoner of war camp in Limburg, Germany. We acknowledge the extraordinary service Mr. Repp gave to his Nation and we thank him for serving with valor so that we might continue to enjoy liberty and freedom; (HLS 2090)

Forrest H. Johnson, of Berwick, a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, who has been a member of American Legion Post 79 for 60 years. We join the American Legion in extending our appreciation to Mr. Johnson for his service to the Legion, the State and to the Nation; (HLS 2091)

Phillip J. Mathews, of Berwick, a veteran of the United States Army, who has been a member of American Legion Post 79 for 60 years. We join the American Legion in extending our appreciation to Mr. Mathews for his service to the Legion, the State and to the Nation; (HLS 2092)

Scott Cowger and Vincent Hannan, and the Maple Hill Farm Bed and Breakfast Inn and Conference Center, of Hallowell, which was named the first certified Green Lodging establishment in the Environmental Leader Green Lodging Certification Program by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. Maple Hill Farm Bed and Breakfast Inn and Conference Center generates some of its own electrical power using an on-site wind turbine. It has incorporated energy-efficient lighting and uses a lot of natural light. In addition, the inn uses local products, including eggs produced on the farm, and minimizes the generation of solid waste. We acknowledge the commitment to the environment that Scott Cowger and Vincent Hannan have made to achieve this distinction for Maple Hill Farm Bed and Breakfast Inn and Conference Center and we send them our congratulations on their receiving this certification; (HLS 2093)

the members of the Freeport Middle School Future Problem Solvers Team 2006, for their accomplishments and for the honor that they have brought to their school and families, the Town of Freeport and the State of Maine. We salute Jack Baker, Sarah Pier, Laura Ramage and Bethany Watts, who competed with 11 other teams in the State and won the Future Problem Solving Program Junior Division title by mastering the complex issue of health care access. The team went on to compete at the International Conference at Colorado State University. We

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acknowledge these students' excellent efforts and commitment to accepting the challenges of critical thinking, creative problem solving, teamwork and seeking global solutions to the challenges of our world. We extend our congratulations to Jack, Sarah, Laura and Bethany on their achievements; (HLS 2094)

Karin Gamache, a teacher at Freeport Middle School and coach of the Freeport Middle School Future Problem Solvers Team 2006, for her outstanding leadership and dedication. Ms. Gamache led her students to winning the district championship and to the worldwide competition held at the 2006 International Conference at Colorado State University. We acknowledge Ms. Gamache's excellent leadership and her commitment to the students and to Freeport Middle School. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievements; (HLS 2095)

Priscilla Payne, of Windham, on her retirement as the Director of Gray Public Library. The director for 7 years, Ms. Payne focused on customer service, which earned her the respect and admiration of the residents of Gray. Ms. Payne was the librarian at Greeley Junior High School for 27 years, and this experience led her to create in the Gray Public Library a warm, welcoming atmosphere and a balanced collection that meets the needs of the community. To augment the library's collection, an expansion of electronic resources was introduced and people now have the opportunity to request books from home. We acknowledge Ms. Payne's dedicated service to her profession and the community, and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (HLS 2096)

Joseph Dyar, of Strong, an honor student at Mt. Abram Regional High School, who is the recipient of the WCSH Channel 6 and WLBS Channel 2 Teen Who Cares Award, one of 6 students in the State to be honored. Joe is always quietly eager to offer assistance, encouragement and friendship and has contributed to the Strong Fire Department in many ways. As a young boy, he helped around the fire station by neatening up the facility and washing fire trucks. As he got older, he put his talents to work by creating an internet website for the department and has been instrumental in improving its computer system. He also learned grant writing, with unprecedented success on behalf of the fire department. His first grant brought in nearly \$30,000 in federal money for radios and protective clothing, his second brought in \$6,000 toward the purchase of a thermal imaging camera, and his latest grant award has been in the form of a \$150,000 state-of-the-art squad truck. Joe is a certified firefighter and is soon to be certified in the Emergency Medical Service field. We acknowledge Joseph Dyar's extraordinary commitment to his community and to the profession of firefighting and we congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 2097)

Lewis and Joanne Richard, of Strong, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Richard are very active in many community and social affairs. They were named as "Honored Couple" during the 1999 Old Home Days celebration. We join their family and friends in extending our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Richard on this very special occasion; (HLS 2098)

Florence A. Graham, of Strong, who turned 102 on February 28, 2006. Mrs. Graham is the mother of two children, Carol Hadfield and the late David Graham. She has 2 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. She resides with her grandson Darrell and his family in her own apartment. She still does some quilting and crochets items for the Shriners Hospital. We join her family in celebrating her life and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 2099)

the third-grade through sixth-grade students at Academy Hill School, in Wilton, who have helped countless people by raising

\$7,000 for the Read to Feed program. Read to Feed supports the nonprofit Heifer International Program, which works to end hunger through the gift of farm animals to impoverished families in 128 countries. We acknowledge these students' exemplary commitment to ending world hunger and their hard work in fundraising. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their achievement; (HLS 2100)

Barbara Vining, of Wilton, on her 35 years of service to the Town of Wilton as Assistant Town Manager. Ms. Vining started work at the town office the day after she graduated from high school, June 7, 1971. She has served as Interim Town Manager 3 separate times but prefers working directly with the town citizens. We acknowledge her dedicated commitment to her community and to the State of Maine, and we send her our congratulations and best wishes on this anniversary; (HLS 2101)

Percy F. "Tunny" Bellfleur, of Millinocket, a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Bellfleur was the recipient of 2 Purple Heart medals and a Bronze Service Star. He was a member of the VFW Post No. 4154 in Millinocket. Mr. Bellfleur worked at Great Northern Paper Company for more than 35 years, retiring in 1987. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2102)

Dr. Robert Cote, of Sanford. Dr. Cote began his medical career as an intern at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Boston in the late 1960s. In 1973, he became one of the first internal medicine physicians on staff at Goodall Hospital. During his 30 years of practicing medicine in Sanford, Dr. Cote served several terms as president of Goodall Hospital's medical staff. From 2003 to 2006, Dr. Cote was Chief of Medicine. He served on numerous committees at the hospital during his career, and he was elected as one of the first physician members of the hospital's Board of Trustees. Dr. Cote contributed 25 years of service as the medical director for the Newton Center, a skilled nursing care facility on the hospital campus. We acknowledge his dedicated longtime service to his profession and to the Sanford community. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2103)

Eliza Goodman Mohlie, of Waldoboro, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Eliza on her receiving this honor; (HLS 2104)

Harlan and Kay Sylvester, of Thomaston, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 22, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester on this very special occasion and wish them many more years of happiness together; (HLS 2105)

the following students from Noble High School in North Berwick: Nick Moore, Colton Caramihalis, Brendan McWhirk, Trevor Savage, Jasmine Ryan and Sara Thomson and coaches Lisa McWhirk and Christine Caramihalis, who are the state champions of the Ancient Egypt Division III Odyssey of the Mind Competition. The team competed in the World Competition at Iowa State University on May 24 to 27. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their excellent academic and creative achievement and wish them luck at the World Competition; (HLS 2106)

the Honorable James J. Campbell, Sr., and Shirley Campbell, of Newfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 29, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have lived in Newfield since 1988. Mr. Campbell has been an active member of the Southern Maine Agency on Aging Advisory Council, a lifetime member of the Northern York County Rod and Gun Club, a

charter member of Limerick/Newfield Lyons Club and a Newfield Fire Department volunteer and has also served on numerous other Newfield boards and committees. Mrs. Campbell has focused her time on the Newfield Historical Society, the Women's Auxiliary for the Newfield Fire Department and several Red Hat Societies. They have 2 children, 2 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Campbell on this very special occasion; (HLS 2107)

the Arkhangelsk Oblast Assembly of Deputies, on the occasion of the visit of the Russian-American Rule of Law delegation from the State of Maine, June 2006. The exchange of representatives of our two jurisdictions demonstrates our common commitment to improving democratic institutions. We hope that the understanding between our peoples will continue to grow and that our friendship will continue to strengthen. We respectfully send our best wishes to the Arkhangelsk Oblast Assembly of Deputies. Vsego Dobrogo!; (HLS 2108)

Charles and Mary Jane Roop, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 13, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Roop on this very special occasion; (HLS 2109)

Douglas and Marjorie Clark, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 29, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Clark on this very special occasion; (HLS 2110)

Ovide and Madeleine Menard, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 22, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Menard on this very special occasion; (HLS 2111)

Roland and Rosalie Pomerleau, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary, December 8, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Pomerleau on this very special occasion; (HLS 2112)

Laurent and Cecile Rivard, of Lewiston, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, February 9, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Rivard on this very special occasion; (HLS 2113)

Alfred and Dorothy Galgovitch, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 25, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Galgovitch on this very special occasion; (HLS 2114)

Gerard and Monique Pratt, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, June 29, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Pratt on this very special occasion; (HLS 2115)

George and Louise Ruby, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 15, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ruby on this very special occasion; (HLS 2116)

Andrew and Rae Doboga, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary, April 18, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Doboga on this very special occasion; (HLS 2117)

Julianne MacGown, of Eliot, who has been named to the UnumProvident Maine Teachers Hall of Fame. Ms. MacGown is an art teacher at Eliot Elementary School. She labels, mounts and hangs in the school's hallway every piece of artwork created by her 350 kindergarten through 3rd grade students. She has earned the respect of her colleagues during the 4 years that she has been teaching at Eliot Elementary and has been described as a phenomenal educator by the school's principal. We extend our appreciation to Ms. MacGown for her commitment to teaching and congratulate her on her receiving this distinction; (HLS 2118)

Stephen Beckert, of Eliot, who is the recipient of the Fabyan Drake Citizen of the Year Award. This honor is presented to Mr. Beckert for his many years of dedicated public service. He has served on the town's Board of Selectmen for 10 years and was also on the Budget Committee, serving as chair for 2 years. He was president of the Raitt Homestead Tractor Association Board for 8 years. He presently serves as a trustee of the William Fogg Library, chair of Eliot's Bicentennial Committee, a member of the town's Sewer Committee, a trustee of the Brooks Memorial Cemetery and vice-chair of the Planning Board. Mr. Beckert's limitless contributions have earned him the respect of the town's leaders and citizens. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Beckert for his diligent work and congratulate him on his receiving this distinguished honor; (HLS 2119)

Ethel Smith, of Eliot, who is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane. Born on February 27, 1905, she is the oldest citizen in her community. Mrs. Smith married her late husband on April 10, 1929. She worked at the Lynn Institution for Savings in Lynn, Massachusetts for more than 45 years and was an active member of the Austin Square Baptist Church. Mrs. Smith moved to Eliot 3 years ago to live with her brother, the Honorable Walter Hichens, former State Senator. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Smith on her receiving the Boston Post Cane and wish her many more years of continued happiness; (HLS 2120)

Philip Coffren, of Phillips, who is the recipient of the American Legion School Award for his service, courage, honor, leadership, patriotism and scholarship. Philip is a member of the student council at Phillips Middle School and was part of the team working to increase student participation in after-school activities. He participated on the Maps Brigade Team, which recently raised about \$750 for the American Cancer Society. He has been very active in civic organizations and helping people in the community. We acknowledge Philip's remarkable achievements and we send him our congratulations on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2121)

Serena Richard, of Phillips, who is the recipient of the American Legion School Award for her service, courage, honor, leadership, patriotism and scholarship. Serena is an honor student at Phillips Middle School and is very involved with school activities, such as the drama program and keeping the books for the boys' baseball team. She has participated in fundraising for the class trip. Serena has been a faithful member of the American Legion Auxiliary for 6 years and has earned many awards for her charitable and civic service to her community and to the State of Maine. We acknowledge her remarkable achievements and we send her our congratulations on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2122)

Peter Doak, of Columbia Falls, on his retirement as principal of Narraguagus High School in Harrington. Mr. Doak is a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army, who served his country for over 20 years before entering the field of education. He has been principal of Narraguagus High School since 1996 and also served as principal at Jonesport-Beals High School. Mr. Doak has extensive teaching experience at the high school level and in the United States Army. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his profession, his community and his State and Nation. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 2123)

Jim Brown, of Presque Isle, upon his retirement as Director of Economic and Community Development for the City of Presque Isle. Mr. Brown served the city for 22 years and oversaw growth within the municipal offices and in the economic development of the city. We acknowledge his dedicated and devoted work for his community in helping to make it a better place to live and work.

We join the City of Presque Isle in sending him our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 2124)

Lewis and Shirley Holbrook, of New Vineyard, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 2, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook have 6 children, 9 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 2125)

Seana Bamford, of Scarborough, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class of Scarborough High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (HLS 2126)

Andrea Gagnon Poirier, of Lewiston, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, November 11, 2006. She married Rodolph Poirier in 1930. They had 5 children, Julie, Bob, Pauline, Bert and Claire. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Poirier on this special occasion; (HLS 2127)

Taylor Danielle Henderson, of Strong, a fifth-grade student at the Strong School, who was named Student of the Year. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on receiving this honor; (HLS 2128)

Matthew DuBois, of Millinocket, a student at Northern Penobscot Tech Region III, who earned a Bronze Medal for Commercial Baking at the SkillsUSA competition held in Bangor on March 10, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. DuBois on his achievement; (HLS 2129)

Justin Lundstrom, of Medway, a student at Northern Penobscot Tech Region III, who has earned a Bronze Medal for Welding at the SkillsUSA competition held in Bangor on March 10, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Lundstrom on his achievement; (HLS 2130)

Joshua Crooker, of Prentiss Township, a student at Northern Penobscot Tech Region III, who has earned a Bronze Medal for Internetworking at the SkillsUSA competition held in Bangor on March 10, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Crooker on his achievement; (HLS 2131)

the Lisbon Falls Baptist Church and its congregation on its 150th anniversary. Since its inception in 1856, the church has grown from 15 members to the 250 members who now attend. The Lisbon Falls Baptist Church began as the parish church and in 1856 changed its name to Free Baptist. The name changed again in 1929 to the United Baptist Church and finally, after a vote by the parishioners in 1976, was changed to the name that the congregation meets under today. We extend to them our congratulations on this tremendous milestone and wish them continued success in their community involvement; (HLS 2132)

the members of Vinalhaven Emergency Medical Services for their dedicated service to the community: Chief Burke Lynch, John Moreland, Kevin Michael, Leighann Chilles, Matt Crossman, Patricia Lundholm, Rich Carlsen, Marc Candage, Karen Jackson, Debbie Poole, Karol Kucinski, Gigi Baas, Jimmy Harris and Nick Barton. The Vinalhaven EMS began 15 years ago with a donation of an ambulance to the Islands Community Medical Center. What was once a transportation service has grown into an all volunteer, trained and certified emergency medical service that has tended to hundreds of injuries and saved the lives of island residents and visitors. We join the citizens of Vinalhaven in recognizing the service of the members of Vinalhaven EMS and applaud them for their selfless efforts on behalf of the community; (HLS 2133)

the Honorable Charlene B. Rydell, of Brunswick, an advocate for mentally handicapped children and adults. Mrs. Rydell met her husband, Lars, at Brown University, and they were married in 1963. They shared common interests and values that lasted for

43 years. In 1972, Mrs. Rydell moved with her husband and son, David, to Oslo, Norway. Her insights into human behavior and community institutions led her to design and implement a Service Research Project for Young Mentally Retarded Children and their Families in the Oslo region. Her love of family and love of community were twin passions that led her to a career of service. She was a member of the Maine State Legislature during the 112th through the 116th legislative sessions. In 1998, she joined the staff of Congressman Tom Allen's office in Portland as adviser on health care and social issues. She was part of Governor Baldacci's core group that developed his Dirigo Health Reform Initiative and served as a founding member of the Dirigo Health Agency Board. Throughout her career she served in many local, state and national organizations, promoting services to children and families and advocating for universally available and affordable health care. She became a founding Trustee on the Board of the Maine Health Access Foundation, the largest nonprofit health-directed charitable foundation in the State. She received the Larry Connolly Award for Dedication to Justice and Equality for Maine Lesbian and Gay Citizens, the Congressman John Joseph Moakley Award for Exemplary Community Service and the John Marvin Award. The Honorable Mrs. Rydell was an inspiration to many and will be greatly missed by her loving family and friends and others she met during her public service; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2134)

Arthur and Joyce Gouin, of Norway, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Gouin were married at the East Stoneham Church in Stoneham, where a celebration to commemorate their marriage will take place amongst family and friends. We honor them on this tremendous milestone and wish them continued happiness; (HLS 2135)

Bertrand and Irma (Dionne) Dumais, of Frenchville, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Dumais were married on April 30, 1946 at Ste-Luce Roman Catholic Church in Frenchville. They are the proud parents of 5 children: Raymond, Claudette, Robert, Claire and Diane. They also enjoy their 15 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren very much. For 6 decades as a couple, Bert and Irma have been excellent role models as parents, grandparents, parishioners and citizens of their community. They have weathered the years with their ups and downs extremely well, physically and spiritually. Their love for each other and their individual strengths have combined to make their union a very successful one. Mr. Dumais is an "entrepreneur par excellence," having successfully been a farmer, a general store owner, a builder and contractor, a head instructor of building trades, a furniture maker, a craftsman and a fly rod maker. He has instilled quality and creativity in all he has done. Mrs. Dumais became the "domestic engineer," taking good care of the children and managing the home. She has imparted in her children solid values and a great spiritual foundation. She has also distinguished herself through her volunteerism in her church and community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Dumais on this special occasion; (HLS 2136)

Brian Brodie, of Lubec, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Brian on this achievement; (HLS 2137)

the members of the Lee Academy Boys Varsity Baseball team, winners of the 2006 Class D State Championship: Charlie Boulrisse, Thomas Braley, Blaine Clark, Branden Crocker, Brian Crocker, Lee Cropley, Eugene Dow, Everett Houghton, Kris King, Charles Longo, Travis Linscott, Dean MacDonald, Kyle McLeod,

Devan Parker, Tyler Thompson, Derek Worster and Timmy Worster, coach David Hainer and assistant coaches Galen Thompson, Sr. and Aaron Knowles. Completing the season with a 19-1 record, the boys and coaches are to be commended for their efforts and many hours of dedication to this sport. We congratulate the team on this outstanding season and wish them well for continued success; (HLS 2138)

the following members of the Lee Academy Girls Varsity Softball team, winners of the 2006 Class D State Championship: Jessica Arbo, Karin Bird, Lacey Cropley, Lyndsay Cropley, Amanda Gifford, Brooke Harris, Kerri Harris, Dana Houghton, Laci McLaughlin, Marci Moors, Elizabeth Read, Aarika Ritchie, coach Ronald Weatherbee and assistant coach Edward Houghton. Completing the season with a 17-4 record, the girls and coaches are to be commended for their efforts and many hours of dedication to this sport. We congratulate the team on this outstanding season and wish the team well for continued success; (HLS 2139)

Fay Pye, of Phippsburg, on the 50th Anniversary of her teaching dance in Bath. Ms. Pye is a lifelong resident of Phippsburg who started as a dance student of Charlotte Cahill, a dance instructor in Bath who once danced for famed theatrical impresario Florenz Ziegfeld in New York City. As a young dance student, Ms. Pye excelled at all kinds of dance. She studied in New York under many of the great dance masters in classical ballet, jazz, tap and acrobatic dance. She began instructing students at Ms. Cahill's dance studio and eventually took it over. Ms. Cahill retired from dancing and became Ms. Pye's accompanist at the school until her retirement in 1974. Fay Pye's Dance Studio is popular and well attended, offering dance instruction to students from miles around. We acknowledge Ms. Pye's extraordinary contribution to the dance arts in Maine and we send her our congratulations and best wishes on the Golden Anniversary of her teaching career; (HLS 2140)

Gilbert and Lilliane Morin, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Morin were married on November 9, 1951. We extend our congratulations to them on this milestone anniversary and our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 2141)

Julia Hillman-Forbush, of Houlton, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 059, who has earned the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Receiving this award is truly significant, and we extend to Julia our best wishes for continued success within the community; (HLS 2142)

Edrie Sutcliffe, of Farmington, on her 90th Birthday celebration, April 15, 2006, held at the Ethel Walton House. Nearly 100 people from around the country gathered to celebrate the life of Ms. Sutcliffe. She retired at the age of 89 as manager of Turner Square. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Sutcliffe on this special occasion; (HLS 2143)

Lauris and Beverly Abbott, of Strong, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 6, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Abbott have 3 children and 13 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 2144)

Marsha Taber, of Fairfield, on her 90th Birthday, July 7, 2006. Mrs. Taber has lived in Fairfield since 1939 and is a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She was married to the late Wallace Taber for 63 years. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2145)

CYRO Industries, of Sanford, a prominent employer of the greater Sanford area, on its 30th anniversary. We acknowledge both the company and its employees for their contributions to the Sanford area and to the State of Maine. We send them our congratulations on this anniversary and our best wishes for future success; (HLS 2146)

Arnold Jasper "Bing" Gross, a lifelong and notable resident of Penobscot. Mr. Gross worked at the St. Regis paper mill in Bucksport and retired in 1993 as manager of the wastewater treatment plant. While at the mill, he served as president of the local paperworkers union for 3 terms and was vice-president of the Maine District Council of Pulp and Paper Unions. Mr. Gross was a member of the executive board of the Maine AFL-CIO and was founder and first director of the Employee Assistance Program for Maine. He served on the board of directors of the Maine Chapter of the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence and the labor committee of the Association of Labor-Management, Administrators and Consultants on Alcoholism. Governor Brennan appointed Mr. Gross to the Governor's Advisory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, and Mr. Gross was the Director of the Eastern Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. In addition to these extensive professional and personal involvements, he served his community by becoming a selectman in 1985 and continued to serve his town until his passing. He was a member of the Hancock County Budget Advisory Board and was a volunteer dispatcher for the Penobscot Fire Department. We acknowledge Mr. Gross's extraordinary dedication to his profession, his community and to the State of Maine. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2147)

the community and members of the Gray Fire and Rescue Company, as they celebrate on July 8, 2006 the 125th Anniversary of its founding. The fire department was founded in 1881 by a group of local individuals and area small businesses. The Fire and Rescue companies merged in 1993, and professional staff members were added to supplement the dedicated work of Gray's volunteers, who have lived the motto "to serve and protect life and prosperity at the Crossroads of Maine." We extend our congratulations to the Gray Fire and Rescue Company on this happy anniversary; (HLS 2148)

Eric Caouette, of Norridgewock, who, with a friend, helped prevent the abduction of a young girl. Mr. Caouette and his friend noticed a man in a Wal-Mart parking lot accompanying an 8-year old girl and acting suspiciously. Mr. Caouette and his friend interceded and brought them into the store for questioning. We salute Mr. Caouette on his getting involved in helping this young and innocent child, and protecting her from harm. He exemplifies the Maine spirit of getting involved in the community and coming to the aid of those in need. We thank him for his efforts; (HLS 2149)

Bruce Smith, of Norridgewock, who, with a friend, helped prevent the abduction of a young girl. Mr. Smith and his friend noticed a man in a Wal-Mart parking lot accompanying an 8-year old girl and acting suspiciously. Mr. Smith and his friend interceded and brought them into the store for questioning. We salute Mr. Smith on his getting involved in helping this young and innocent child, and protecting her from harm. He exemplifies the Maine spirit of getting involved in the community and coming to the aid of those in need. We thank him for his efforts; (HLS 2150)

Lindley "Mickey" and Shirley Underhill, of Etna, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Underhill began their relationship in 1954 after meeting at a

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basketball game in the Carmel Town Hall. They married on September 1, 1956 in the home of Mr. Underhill's grandmother. They settled into the home they were married in, where they raised their five children: Donald, Celia, David, Cathy and Cheri. They spent many wonderful years camping and enjoying Saturday night dances. They now enjoy traveling to Florida and Texas. They will be celebrating this special day with their children, ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and their many other friends and loved ones. We extend our congratulations to the Underhills on the many loving years they have spent together and send them our best wishes for their continued happiness; (HLS 2151)

the Ronald Moir Family, of Woodland, upon the family's being named the 2006 Farm Family of the Year by the Maine Potato Board. Ronald and Ruth (Williams) Moir come from a long line of farm families dating back at least four generations to a time when their ancestors settled in Maine from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Beginning his work in 1967 on the homestead farm in Woodland, Ronald later purchased an additional Woodland farm on the Brown Road in 1971. Ronald's father came out of retirement to help his son in the 1980s after initially ending his farming career in 1953. Ruth's father, Arnold Williams, was also a farmer in Caribou until his retirement. Together with his sons Alan, Jason and Scott, Ronald plants 1,500 acres of potatoes, grain and other rotation crops on their now expanded farming enterprise in both Woodland and Caribou. All four of Ronald and Ruth's children, including their daughter Lisa, worked on the farm while growing up. Their grandchildren are now contributing, as well. Ronald has been an active participant in the industry, including past service as Director of the Agricultural Bargaining Council, Advisory Board and Nominating Committee for Farm Credit, Processing Council for Maine Potato Board. He also served on the Woodland School Board and as Selectman for Woodland. Alan is a current director for the Agricultural Bargaining Council, is active in Young Farmers and is also a Director for Aroostook Federal Savings and Loan. Jason was in FFA, belongs to Young Farmers and is a current Selectman in Woodland. Scott was an officer in FFA, also belongs to Young Farmers and served on the Planning Board for Woodland. We extend our congratulations to the Ronald Moir Family and recognize their years of diligent labor while working the land. Their strong family commitment and faith will enable them to have continued success for generations to come; (HLS 2152)

Kevin Malenfant, of Presque Isle, a fifth-grade teacher at Zippel Elementary School, who was named the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year for Aroostook County. He was nominated by his students and was singled out from among 200 entries for the award. We send Mr. Malenfant our congratulations on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2153)

Andrew E. Shattuck II, of Wilton, of Boy Scout Troop #518, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on his accomplishment; (HLS 2154)

Doris Cushman, of Wilton, nutrition aide with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, on the occasion of her retirement after nearly 30 years of dedicated service. Ms. Cushman has brought her nutritional expertise into senior citizen centers, schools and private homes across Franklin County. We acknowledge her many years of service to her community and to the State of Maine. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (HLS 2155)

Dean C. Stanley, of Strong, postmaster of the Strong Post Office, who has been named the League of Postmasters, Postmaster of the Year by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Maine's Federal Employee Program in appreciation for outstanding service and dedication. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Stanley on the occasion of his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2156)

Dick and Carolyn Hallett, of Mars Hill, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, July 20, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hallett on this very special occasion; (HLS 2157)

Michelle Fournier, of Falmouth, a foreign language teacher at Westbrook High School, who has been accepted to the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program. Ms. Fournier will be teaching at the Lycee Alain Chartier in Bayeux, France for the 2006 to 2007 school year. Since 1946, the Fulbright Teacher Exchange Program has helped nearly 23,000 teachers and administrators contribute to mutual understanding between the United States and countries around the world. We congratulate Ms. Fournier on her receiving this honor and we send her our best wishes for a successful school year. We also send our best wishes to the Lycee Alain Chartier and to the good people of Bayeux, on the occasion of this exchange, in hopes that it will further the goodwill between our nations; (HLS 2158)

Rebecca Ellis, of Strong, on the celebration of her 80th birthday, July 4, 2006. Mrs. Ellis has 4 children, 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Ellis on this special occasion; (HLS 2159)

Walter J. LaPierre, of Sanford, who was a United States Army veteran of World War II. Mr. LaPierre was employed by Universal Shoe in Sanford for 32 years and was also proprietor of LaPierre Rooms in Sanford for 45 years. He later worked for the Sanford School Department for ten years, retiring in 1987. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2160)

Peter B. Hodgkins, of Rockport, who has been elected to the Maine Golf Hall of Fame 2006. Mr. Hodgkins, whose golf career goes back to the 1960s, has been a Class A PGA Professional since 1973. He has been in the Maine Golf Course Superintendent's Association since 1972. Mr. Hodgkins also has a long history of management and teaching in golfing: from 1972 to 1997 he was the Head PGA Gold Professional and Superintendent at the Rockland Gold Club; from 1982 to 1995 he was the Maine Chapter PGA Director; from 1979 to 1981 he was the Maine Chapter PGA President; and from 1977 to 1978 he was the Maine Chapter PGA Secretary and Treasurer. He has been active in golf clubs in Boca Raton, Bonita Springs and Palm Beach, Florida and the Vokes Range in Trenton, Maine. From 1975 to 1990, Mr. Hodgkins was the Golf Coach for Rockland District High School and his golfers won 6 High School State Championships and 7 KVAC Championships. Presently, Mr. Hodgkins is the PGA Professional and Superintendent and Manager of the Northport Golf Course. We acknowledge his extraordinary dedication to golfing and the sharing of his skills and love of the sport. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this well-deserved honor of being elected to the Maine Golf Hall of Fame; (HLS 2161)

Teisha A. Loesberg, of Lewiston, a senior at Lewiston High School, who died on June 22, 2006 as the result of an airplane accident. Miss Loesberg loved Air Force Junior ROTC, gardening and her church. She was involved in the "Lots to Gardens" program, which teaches families how to garden and how to enjoy the fruits of their labors. She was involved in the

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ROTC as a cadet squadron operations officer and was responsible for assigning squadron duties. She loved animals and she loved meeting and helping people. She was also looking forward to going to college. She was an assured, determined young lady who excelled at math, and was already taking college courses. She will be sadly missed by her loving family, friends and colleagues in the ROTC; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2162)

Shannon Fortier, of Lewiston, a freshman at Lewiston High School, who died in an airplane accident on June 22, 2006. Miss Fortier loved to fly and planned to be a United States Air Force pilot. She was a member of the ROTC. A person who was capable of being a leader by example, she was able to get the job done, receiving the respect of those around her. Shannon collected swords and had a passion for Japanese animation. She was also an athlete: she was a member of the Lewiston High School swim team and she liked rock climbing, horseback riding and riding dirt bikes with her father. She was also an altar server at Holy Family Church. She will be sadly missed by her loving family, many friends and colleagues of the ROTC; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2163)

Nicholas Babcock, of Lewiston, a talkative and outgoing teen who wanted to become a marine biologist, who died on June 22, 2006 in an airplane accident with 3 others. Mr. Babcock was a senior at Lewiston High School. He had been involved with the ROTC since he was a freshman and was to be promoted to chief master sergeant this year. He was intrigued by eagles, and he loved football, baseball and video games. He was also a member of the chess club at school and participated in magic card tournaments. A big-hearted person, he contributed greatly to his community, worked hard in school and fostered close friends. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, many friends and colleagues in the ROTC; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2164)

William Charles Weir, of Auburn, who died on June 22, 2006 as the result of an airplane accident. Mr. Weir would have graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in August. He was a pilot and flight instructor for Twin Cities Air Service in Auburn. Mr. Weir's love of airplanes and of flying began when he was a toddler, and he earned his private pilot's license at 16 years of age. He received his commercial pilot's license in 2003 and earned his flight instructor certificate in 2005. Mr. Weir was well liked and will be greatly missed by all who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2165)

Marguerite Sinclair, of Patten, on the occasion of her 90th Birthday. Marguerite Bradley Hatt was born on July 16, 1916 to Flora and Curtis Hatt and has lived in Patten all of her life. She enjoys picking strawberries and fiddleheads as well as counted cross-stitching, knitting and spending time with her dog, Sweetie Pie. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Sinclair on this tremendous milestone and we send her our best wishes; (HLS 2166)

Florence Sturgis, of Standish, the oldest resident of the town. We extend our congratulations to her on this tremendous milestone and sent her our best wishes for her upcoming 99th birthday this August; (HLS 2167)

Jason Smith, of Farmington, who has earned the distinction of being named Northern Maine Community College's Student of the Year for his academic standing, his contributions to the college and his wide variety of community involvement. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2168)

Winthrop and Alice Loring, formerly of Berwick, now of Dover, New Hampshire, on the occasion of their 67th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Loring were married December 17,

1938. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Loring on this very special occasion; (HLS 2169)

Wasco Products, Inc., of Sanford, on its 50th anniversary as a prominent employer in the greater Sanford area. We acknowledge both the company and its employees for their contributions to the Sanford area and to the State of Maine. We send them our congratulations on this anniversary and our best wishes for future success; (HLS 2170)

Vaughan Gagne, of East Dixfield, for her 10 years of dedicated service to the Wilton Free Public Library. Vaughan has led the library into the 21st century by successfully integrating the Internet with a traditional library. We extend our appreciation to Vaughan Gagne for her commitment to the community and wish her well in her future endeavors; (HLS 2171)

Donald James, of Avon, who was named as the Phillips Old Home Days Honored Person. Mr. James was born in Strong in 1918 and moved to Phillips in 1925. He now resides in Avon. He owned and operated a funeral home in Phillips for 25 years, drove a school bus for MSAD #58 for 7 years and did carpentry work in the area. He is a World War II veteran, a member of the Masons and the American Legion and a past member of the Men's Club and the Phillips Area Chamber of Commerce. We congratulate Mr. James on his receiving this well-deserved civic acknowledgement; (HLS 2172)

Roma Lou Kent Wiles, of Wilton, on the celebration of her 70th birthday, August 1, 2006. Mrs. Wiles and her husband Gerald have been married 48 years. They have 2 children, 3 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Wiles on this special occasion; (HLS 2173)

Robert Thorndike and Karen Thorndike, of Phillips, recipients of the 2006 Community Service Award, given by the Aurora Grange 202 Strong. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thorndike on their receiving this award; (HLS 2174)

Reverend John Neff, of Winthrop, upon the honored occasion of the publication of his new book, *Katahdin: An Historic Journey*, the first volume of which is to be published in commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the establishment of Baxter State Park. As cofounder and first president of the Friends of Baxter State Park, and as former president of the Maine Appalachian Trail Club, Reverend Neff has for over a quarter century devoted his energy and enthusiasm toward the protection and preservation of Maine's natural gifts and changing landscape. We salute him for his lifetime efforts and the successful completion of this comprehensive chronicle of the history, heritage and mystery of Katahdin, Governor Percival Baxter's beloved "Mountain of the People of Maine"; (HLS 2175)

Kevin Eastler, of Aurora, Colorado and formerly of Farmington, who won the 2006 USA Outdoor 20K Race Walk Championship for the second time, having won this event in 2003. He is also the 2006 Indoor Champion runner-up. Mr. Eastler is a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy and has won many All-America honors. He qualified for the Olympic team in 2004 with a third-place finish at the Olympic Trials in Sacramento, California and placed 21st in the world at the Olympic Games held in Athens, Greece. We proudly salute Mr. Eastler for his accomplishments and we send him our best wishes for future success; (HLS 2176)

Fernand and Violet Barriault, of Lisbon, upon the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Barriault were married on June 22, 1946. We extend to them our congratulations on this special milestone anniversary and we send them our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 2177)

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Lillian Knapp, of Phillips, who, when school starts this fall, will be the oldest employee of School Administrative District No. 58. She joins her granddaughter, Amanda Knapp Wilkins, who will be the youngest employee in the district as she starts her teaching career in Strong. Mrs. Knapp has worked for SAD 58 for 40 years. She started as a teacher's aide for principal Elwood Allen even before Phillips became part of SAD 58. In 1968 Mrs. Knapp began work at Phillips Elementary School in the cafeteria as an assistant, went to the junior high school as a teacher's aide in 1976 and in 1986 became a secretary at Phillips Primary School. Since 2002 she has worked at the Phillips Middle School library. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Knapp for her dedication to the youth of the State; (HLS 2178)

Doctor John R. Gallant, of Rumford, who is retiring from the field of dentistry after 51 years of practice. Longing for more time with his wife, children and grandchildren, Dr. Gallant has decided to close the doors of his Hancock Street office in mid-August. Dr. Gallant is a first generation American. His father and grandfather emigrated from New Brunswick to Rumford nearly a century ago to work in the paper mill. In high school, Dr. Gallant suffered a serious ski accident, causing him to fall a year behind. Dr. Gallant's graduation from Stephens High School was delayed an additional 2 years subsequent to his being called to honorably serve his country in the United States Army near the end of World War II. He would go on to graduate from St. Michael's College in Vermont and then from Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, now known as the University of Maryland. His service to patients has spanned several generations, as those he has treated have grown accustomed to his positive, upbeat attitude and natural cheerfulness. We wish to express our gratitude to Dr. Gallant for his commitment toward improving patients' perceptions of going to the dentist. Dr. Gallant's experience and dedication to those under his care will be sorely missed; (HLS 2179)

Mary McGuire, of Stonington, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, August 6, 2006. Ms. McGuire enlisted in the United States Navy in 1943, where she served in Naval Intelligence in Washington, D.C. She received her doctorate degree in English from Columbia University. She became a professor at Chatham College in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Following her career, she retired to her family home in Stonington. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. McGuire on this very special occasion; (HLS 2180)

M. F. Chip Gavin, of Portland, after 6 years as Deputy Secretary of State, and for his work for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. We acknowledge Mr. Gavin's dedicated service to the people and the State of Maine, and his contributions to the constitutional office that he represented. We send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 2181)

John J. Bernard, Sr., of Rumford, upon the celebration of his 90th Birthday on August 8, 2006. Mr. Bernard was born in Rumford and has 3 children, 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. He has been an active member of St. Theresa Catholic Church for many years and holds the love and respect of his fellow church members as well as many people in his community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Bernard on this special occasion; (HLS 2182)

Cory Googins, of Gray, of Boy Scout Troop #86, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cory on his accomplishment; (HLS 2183)

Carol Fitzherbert, of Presque Isle, upon her retirement from the State of Maine Department of Health and Human Services. We congratulate Ms. Fitzherbert for being a successful social worker from July 9, 1979 through August 31, 2006, which has allowed many people to attain self-sufficiency through the ASPIRE program. We extend our best wishes to her for a happy retirement; (HLS 2184)

Urban West, of Wilton, on his receiving his high school diploma at a recent meeting of the MSAD #9 School Board 62 years after leaving high school to fight in World War II. Mr. West enlisted in the United States Navy on his 18th birthday in 1943 and served his Nation with distinction until 1946. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. West on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2185)

Lillian "Lil" Louise Perry Wheaton, of Patten, who is the honored recipient of the Boston Post Cane as she celebrates her 96th Birthday. Mrs. Wheaton was born July 31, 1910 in Centerville, Massachusetts. She attended Simmons College, and on June 15, 1930 she married Ensley Wheaton, Sr., of Patten. They were blessed with 4 children, 6 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Wheaton first came to Patten in a Model T Ford and learned to hunt, fish and farm. She was a gardener and still cans and provides food to needy families. She loves people and animals and was known in the neighborhood as the medical stop, providing help for injuries and sickness. She was the Chief Technician of Electrocardiology at St. Raphael's Hospital in New Haven, Connecticut for 18 years and retired at the age of 70. Mrs. Wheaton is the oldest living resident of Patten and will be presented with the Boston Post Cane at a ceremony during the parade honoring Patten's Founders and Pioneers. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Wheaton on her 96th birthday; (HLS 2186)

Officer Paul Edwards, of Bangor, a member of the Bangor Police Department, who was honored for his work by the Maine chapter of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill. Officer Edwards has organized weeklong classes aimed at de-escalating potential violence or trauma. His students have been police, emergency medical providers, security staff and others whose work may bring them into contact with the mentally ill or others in acute agitation. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Officer Edwards on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2187)

Ginny McDonald, of Clifton, administrative assistant for the Brewer Police Department, who has been named Honorary Officer of the Year 2005 for her work ethic and willingness to help out. Ms. McDonald is celebrating 13 years with the department. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (HLS 2188)

Alfred "Al" Siderio, Jr., of Wales. Mr. Siderio served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He worked for Don's Electric in Monmouth for many years and was a member of the Wales Presbyterian Church, having served as an Elder and a Deacon. He organized the Wales Fire Department and served as its Fire Chief for many years. He was Vice President of the Androscoggin Firefighters Association, and he organized and was an instructor for the Fire Attack School. Mr. Siderio and his fellow firefighters were involved in Firemen's Musters around Maine. We acknowledge and commend his dedicated service to his community and to the State. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife of 41 years, Linda, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2189)

Durward F. "Brownie" Brown, of Millinocket. Mr. Brown was the salutatorian of the Class of 1956 of Schenck High School in East Millinocket. He was a member of the United States Air and



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Army National Guard from 1960 to 1965. He was also a member of both the East Millinocket and Millinocket Fire Departments. Mr. Brown worked for the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1998. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife of 44 years, Pamela, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2190)

Maine Machine Products Company, of South Paris, upon its 50th Anniversary of manufacturing excellence. Established as a family-owned company in 1956, Maine Machine Products Company has emerged as a leader in custom precision manufacturing with a global customer base. Utilizing state-of-the-art facilities and skilled associates, it provides complete manufacturing services from concept support through production. Maine Machine Products Company exemplifies the best of doing business in Maine. We send Maine Machine Products Company and its employees our congratulations on this milestone anniversary and our best wishes for a successful future; (HLS 2191)

John Bridge, of Augusta, for his commitment and generosity to his community. Mr. Bridge, the former Mayor of Augusta, continues to serve his community with his involvement in the Capitol Area Recreation Association. He has been an active supporter of many projects of the association, and, in gratitude for his generosity in helping to fund the construction of a new basketball complex, that facility is to be named in his honor. We acknowledge and commend his exemplary civic service and we extend to him our congratulations on this recognition. We wish him continued success in his community involvement; (HLS 2192)

Lillian Merrill, of Anson, upon the celebration of her 75th Birthday, July 9, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2193)

Gilbert and Shirley Rodgerson, of Millinocket, upon the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 7, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Rodgerson on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 2194)

Elizabeth "Betty" Tibbetts, of Millinocket, upon the celebration of her 90th Birthday, August 30, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion; (HLS 2195)

Marion Wing, of Phillips, on the celebration of her 101st birthday, September 10, 2006. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this very special occasion; (HLS 2196)

Staunton and Edna Allen, of Wilton, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 23, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Allen have 2 sons and 3 granddaughters with another granddaughter on the way. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Allen on this very special occasion; (HLS 2197)

Jason Reed, of Washburn, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 177, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jason on this achievement; (HLS 2198)

Willie and Judy Pelletier, of Stacyville, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 28, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier have 5 children, 13 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. They work together in the operation of the Summit Farm Lodge. They are always ready to help someone in need, including distributing homemade soups. Mrs. Pelletier also serves as a rural mail carrier, and Mr. Pelletier continues his life's career as a master guide and participates in search and rescue activities. They are very active in their church, are very strong in their belief in family and are deeply committed to each other and their

marriage. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (HLS 2199)

Trooper Philip Dawson, of Howland, on the occasion of his retirement from the Maine State Police. Trooper Dawson began his career with the Maine State Police on February 15, 1982. He patrolled with Troop E out of the Orono Barracks in northern Penobscot County for his entire career. Trooper Dawson served on the State Police Tactical Team for 20 years, longer than anyone else serving in that capacity. We thank Trooper Dawson for his longstanding dedication to the safety of Maine's citizens and wish him well in the years to come; (HLS 2200)

Richard Beal Gould, of Farmington, upon the celebration of his 90th Birthday, August 23, 2006. Born on a farm outside of Farmington, Mr. Gould was an outstanding high school athlete who ran cross-country and played baseball and who was a cocaptain of the basketball team that won the county championship in 1934. He received the Balfour Award for scholarship, loyalty and achievement, and he was also the president of the student council. In 1938, Mr. Gould graduated cum laude from Bates College, where he was a member of the state championship cross-country team. That same year he began teaching at Farmington High School, where he taught for 55 years until his retirement in 1993, serving under 8 superintendents and 9 principals. He served as head of the Science Department for 25 years and taught physics to 3 generations of Farmington families. According to State Department of Education statistics, he holds the State's record for number of years teaching. In addition, he coached high school cross-country running, ice hockey, track and skiing, taking the track team to a state championship in 1945 and the ski team to state championships in 1955 and 1957. Mr. Gould was honored as Maine Ski Council's Outstanding Ski Coach in 1955. In 2006 he was inducted into the Maine Ski Hall of Fame. He is also a noted historian, giving talks on the Narrow Gauge Railway, Farmington's 100-year canning industry and the history of the town's banks. The father of 5 remarkable children and the grandfather and great-grandfather of many, and a mentor to all, Mr. Gould remains an avid tennis player, the epitome of good living and one of Farmington's, and the State's, most distinguished citizens. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2201)

Evelyn Ames, of Strong, on the occasion of her 82nd Birthday, July 31, 2006, and in extending our congratulations and best wishes to her; (HLS 2202)

Betty Jean Edwards Mitchell, of Strong, on her 82nd Birthday, October 15, 2006, and for her civic contributions to the community. Mrs. Mitchell is a member of the Rebekahs and is one of the original founders of the Phillips Old Home Days event. She is a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and has worked for many years with social service agencies in the area. She is a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother and is an active member of the Mormon Church. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Mitchell on this occasion; (HLS 2203)

the following members of the 2006 Augusta Babe Ruth All-Star Team, upon winning the 2006 State Championship: players Jacob Lachance, Shaun Laney, Eric Lee, Garrett Lucas, Nick Maschino, Charles Partridge, Michael Poulin, Tyler Rodrigue, Thomas Vallee, Adam Whittier, Steven Wright, Jason Burns, Forrest Chadwick, Nicholas Grady and Ryan Minoty; coaches Larry Lucas and Jeremy Greenleaf; and manager Tom Vallee. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the team on this remarkable accomplishment; (HLS 2204)

the Springvale Public Library on its 100th anniversary, August 6, 2006. The library began as the Springvale Literary Club in

May 1906. In 1927 the library was incorporated as the Springvale Public Library Association and moved to its new quarters on the second floor of the Springvale National Bank building. In 1983 the association purchased the Charles H. Frost house and converted it into a library. The library provides the community with access to information, enriching cultural activities, a reference collection for area genealogy research and dynamic children's services. The Springvale Public Library has been a strong tradition for the community. We extend our congratulations to the Springvale Public Library on its 100th anniversary and we send our best wishes for its continuing success in future; (HLS 2205)

Vaun R. Cole, of Lebanon, a longtime firefighter and World War II veteran. Mr. Cole was a founding member of the Lebanon Fire Department and worked his way up through the years to become Assistant Chief. He was also a mail carrier in Lebanon for 35 years. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to his Nation. He will be sadly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2206)

Mr. Aveena Charette, of Eagle Lake, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Charette on the centennial celebration of his life; (HLS 2207)

Matthew Fraser, of East Millinocket, of Boy Scout Troop #55, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew on his accomplishment; (HLS 2208)

Cadet 1st Lieutenant Kevin Call, of Glenburn, a member of the Hermon High School Junior ROTC program, who has received an award from the American Legion for leadership and patriotism. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kevin on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2209)

Josh Andrews, of Levant, a member of the John Baptist Memorial High School Chess Team, who was on the team that placed 8th in the nation in the Under 1200 ratings division at the 2006 National Chess Tournament in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We send Josh our congratulations and best wishes on this accomplishment; (HLS 2210)

Urban and Beverly West, of Wilton, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, October 11, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. West were married in a double wedding at the Farmington Baptist Parsonage. They have 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. West on this very special occasion; (HLS 2211)

Ralph Meserve, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. He is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion, and we thank him for his contributions to his family and to the community; (HLS 2212)

Charles Allard, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. He is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion, and we thank him for his contributions to his family and to the community; (HLS 2213)

Hildegard Butler, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion,

and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2214)

Mary Alice Braley, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2215)

Helen Freise, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2216)

Marjorie Garland, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2217)

Louise Hill, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2218)

Edna Howe, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2219)

Margaret Marston, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2220)

Doris Nutting, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2221)

Grace Stoddard, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2222)

Cora Truslow, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2223)

Lillian Pihl, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2224)

Louise Webber, of Saco, who will reach 90 years of age in 2007. She is being honored at a Nifty Nineties Tea sponsored by

the First Parish Congregational Church of Saco. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on this special occasion, and we thank her for her contributions to her family and to the community; (HLS 2225)

the East Dixfield Fire Department, which was given the 2006 Community Citizen Award by the Mystic Valley Grange 313. We extend our congratulations to the members of the department on their receiving this honor; (HLS 2226)

Noah Lemire, of Eliot, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Noah is a member of Boy Scout Troop 340. We extend our congratulations to Noah for achieving this exemplary merit and wish him well in his future endeavors; (HLS 2227)

Congregation Etz Chaim, of Biddeford, on its 100th Anniversary. Founded in 1906, Congregation Etz Chaim has served the Jewish community in the Biddeford and Saco area with distinction in meeting the varied needs of its members and it is a vital part of our Maine heritage. In honor of this anniversary, the Saco Museum is hosting "A Century of Jewish Life in Biddeford-Saco," an exhibit that relates the history of the synagogue, of Jewish immigration prior to 1915 and of community life. We send the good members of the congregation our congratulations and best wishes on their centennial celebration; (HLS 2228)

Jack and Marian Mitchell, of Brownfield, for their unwavering commitment to the citizens of Brownfield, Fryeburg and the surrounding communities in their many years working with the Food Pantry, which is housed at the Brownfield Lions' Club facility. The Food Pantry operates year-round and is the largest food pantry in Oxford County, providing nutritional meals for over 225 families. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell spend many hours every month coordinating food acquisition, transportation, storage, sorting and delivery. After more than 30 years as an aerospace engineer, Mr. Mitchell feels a strong obligation to give back and help others in need. Mrs. Mitchell worked for the CIA and Verizon and now finds satisfaction assisting those at the Food Pantry and locating various other forms of assistance for the clients. We thank them for their steadfast dedication to the citizens of Brownfield and the surrounding communities; (HLS 2229)

David Gould, of Fryeburg, upon his retirement as Building and Plumbing Inspector for the Town of Fryeburg, a position he has held for 30 years. Mr. Gould began his career when he started Fryeburg Plumbing and Heating Company in the 1970s. The mid-1980s proved to be a very busy time for the town, and Mr. Gould issued 165 building permits and 185 plumbing permits in 1987 alone. He was known to work off the hood of his truck every day of the week to accommodate local contractors. We thank him for his dedication to the Town and citizens of Fryeburg and wish him well in his retirement; (HLS 2230)

Shane Sullivan, 12, of Temple, who rescued Susan McLeer in Weld's Webb Lake when she was pinned under water beneath her kayak. Shane's rapid reaction saved Ms. McLeer from certain danger as she bobbed to the surface after he freed her. We acknowledge Shane's exemplary and heroic actions and we send him our congratulations and best wishes; (HLS 2231)

Aimee N. Lanteigne, of Sabattus, who was presented with the Department of Maine 2006 Educator of the Year Award by the Department of Maine American Legion. Mrs. Lanteigne is an eighth-grade teacher at the Sabattus Central School and earned this honor for the profound connection she has made between her students, our veterans and our country. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Lanteigne on her receiving this well-deserved award; (HLS 2232)

Mitchell Folsom, of Mars Hill, upon his been named the 2006 Junior Trapper of the Year by the Maine Trappers Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mitchell on his receiving this honor; (HLS 2233)

Frank and Dolores Pierce, of Mars Hill, upon the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce were married in Easton on May 18, 1946. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2234)

Lucas Alderette, of Hollis, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 323, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. Only approximately 5% of Boy Scouts achieve this performance-based award. Lucas is a graduate of the class of 2006 from Bonny Eagle High School and will be following in the footsteps of his brother, Adam, as he has volunteered to serve his country in the United States Navy and will begin his training on October 3, 2006. We extend our congratulations to Lucas on this outstanding accomplishment and offer our best wishes to him for continued success; (HLS 2235)

Jennifer Plourde, of West Enfield, on her receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award in Senior Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award recognizes excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Jennifer, a member of Girl Scout Troop No. 273, worked at the Congregational Church in Howland building shelves and secured donations for the food cupboard. Receiving this award is truly significant, and we extend to Jennifer our best wishes for continued success within the community; (HLS 2236)

Rhonda Schank, of Wilton, who is the recipient of the outstanding district employee award given by School Administrative District No. 9. Mrs. Schank is a library education technician at the G. D. Cushing School in Wilton. She was recognized for her interest in the children's needs and for volunteering during fundraising events. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Schank for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (HLS 2237)

Brenda LaVerdiere, of Wilton, who is the recipient of the K-6 technology integration award given by School Administrative District No. 9. Mrs. LaVerdiere is a teacher at the Academy Hill School in Wilton. She was noted for exposing her class to a variety of computer technologies during the past 2 years. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. LaVerdiere for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (HLS 2238)

William and Beth O'Gara, of Westbrook, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 3, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. O'Gara were married at St. Mary's Church in Westbrook. They have 2 children, Beth and Michael and 2 grandsons. They are both very active in the community and have given generously of their time to various organizations to help improve the community for the citizens of Westbrook. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. O'Gara on this very special occasion; (HLS 2239)

Rick Hardy, of Farmington, who has been named Wal-Mart's 2006 State Teacher of the Year by the Phi Delta Kappa International Education Association. Cosponsored by Wal-Mart, the award brings with it a \$10,000 donation to the school. Mr. Hardy is a fifth-grade teacher at Cascade Brook School in Farmington and has taught for 31 years. He was also winner of the local Teacher of the Year Award. He was nominated for Teacher of the Year by members of the community because of his experience and positive attitude in the classroom. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hardy for his commitment to the youth of

the State and congratulate him on his winning this award; (HLS 2240)

Cassie Roix, of Presque Isle, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, September 26, 2006. Mrs. Roix was born in Canada and moved to Presque Isle at the age of 11. She and her husband Wallace were married for 50 years and raised 5 children. Mrs. Roix loves sewing, knitting, crocheting, cooking and gardening. She has 21 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 27 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Roix on this very special occasion; (HLS 2241)

William Mason Trask, of Old Orchard Beach and Mt. Desert Island, beloved father, friend and social activist for the rights of the mentally ill. A native of Caribou, he was the son of Reverend Joseph Mason Trask and Elizabeth MacDonald Trask of Southwest Harbor. He attended Vermont Academy and in 1978 graduated with a B.A. in Political Science from Nasson College, where he was awarded the Senior Cup for outstanding leadership and scholarship. For the United States Defense Department he worked on the "Star Wars" initiative in the South Pacific and later served as Human Resources manager for the James River Corporation in Old Town and the General Signal Corporation of Pittsfield. Always active in politics, he was a pioneering advocate for the rights of the mentally challenged in federal forums and in the Maine State Legislature. An avid Red Sox fan, he was a dedicated volunteer coach for youth sports and the Boy Scouts. He will be deeply missed by his dear friend and former spouse, his beloved twin children and the wide circle of friends and family he touched with his tenacity, strong spirit of sharing and sense of the joy to be found in life despite all obstacles; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2242)

the University of Maine at Farmington, upon its being named for the tenth consecutive year as one of "America's Best Colleges" by the prestigious magazine U.S. News & World Report. The University of Maine at Farmington appears in the college guide's annual ranking, capturing second place in its geographic region, "Top Public Comprehensive Colleges-Bachelor's, in the North." This high ranking assures Maine students that Maine provides excellent and affordable higher education. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the University community who have worked with such diligence over the years to achieve this notable ranking; (HLS 2243)

Richard "Dick" John Rush, of Millinocket, a veteran of World War II and longtime firefighter. Mr. Rush died just a month short of his 90th birthday and he was the last of 13 children of Agnes and Frank W. Rush, one of the earliest settlers of Millinocket. He was president of Frank W. Rush and Sons Lumber and Hardware on Main Street for many years. He joined the Millinocket Fire Department in the 1950s as a volunteer. In 1967 he assumed the position of Assistant Fire Chief and in 1977 he was appointed Fire Chief. He was a member of the Maine State Fireman's Association and a lifelong member of the American Legion. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his community and to the Nation. He will be greatly missed by his devoted wife Mildred, his family and many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2244)

Mark Andrews, of Wales, who has been named Volunteer of the Month by the Rural Community Action Ministries. Mr. Andrews has been a committee member of the ministries for about 15 years. He has been on the Board of Directors and is now on the Emergency Shelter Committee. Mr. Andrews likes and works well with all people and enjoys volunteering. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Andrews for his commitment to the citizens of his community; (HLS 2245)

Bob Walker, of Monmouth, for his years of dedicated service to the citizens of Monmouth. Mr. Walker served as a director of the Monmouth Federal Credit Union for 50 years. When he first started as a director, the credit union had \$5,000; today it is a multi-million-dollar financial institution. The credit union was moved from place to place in the early years and was even located in Mr. Walker's house for several years. In June of 2002, the credit union was moved to its current location, and to honor Bob the new facility was named "The Walker Building." We extend our appreciation to Mr. Walker for his commitment to the citizens of the State; (HLS 2246)

Patricia Marsden-Magee, of Farmingdale, beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Mrs. Marsden-Magee graduated from Cony High School and attended the Waterville School of Nursing, where she earned her degree in nursing. In 1982 she opened Twin Cedars Boarding Home, specializing in providing health care and living facilities for Veterans Administration patients. She operated Twin Cedars Boarding Home with the highest level of care and consideration for all of her patients. Mrs. Marsden-Magee will be remembered for the care and active lifestyle she provided the honorable men and women who served their country in the United States military. Most of all, she will be remembered for her humanity and unselfish care of others. Mrs. Marsden-Magee will be greatly missed by her husband, Paul W. Magee, her children, Deborah, Victoria and Bert, and her grandchildren, Ashley, Avery, Logan, Madison, Stella, Lucas, Danielle, Chrissy, Justin, Jasmine, Brittany, Zack, Tyler, Nick and Alex; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2247)

Francis and Shirley Richard, of Milford, upon the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Richard were married on September 3, 1956 and are lifelong residents of the Old Town area. They have two children, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. They maintain a family-owned business and are active in charitable work in the community through the Elks Club, Knights of Columbus, Knights of Columbus Women's Auxiliary and Red Hat Society. Mr. Richard also dedicates his time to local concerns as Chair of the Milford Select Board. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 2248)

the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Boston, on the celebration of the ninety-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Republic of China, which is on October 10, 2006. The Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Boston represents the interests of the Republic of China in New England and has helped strengthen that nation's ties with the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 2249)

the Henry L. Cottrell School, of Monmouth, on the celebration of its 50th anniversary. The Henry L. Cottrell School opened in September of 1956. The school was then the Memorial School, with 97 students in grades 6, 7 and 8. In 1961, 4 classrooms were added, and the school expanded to include grade 5. The school was named the Henry L. Cottrell School in 1971 in honor of Mr. Cottrell, who had been the principal at the Memorial School during a time of educational innovation. Another addition brought kindergarten through grade 3 classes to the school. Today the Henry L. Cottrell school is home to kindergarten through grade 3 classes and has an enrollment of 215 students. Although it has changed its shape and increased in size several times over the past 50 years, the Henry L. Cottrell School has always provided a solid base of high-quality education with forward-thinking standards, backed by strong community support that adds to its family-like atmosphere. We join the citizens of Monmouth in extending our appreciation to the Henry L. Cottrell School for its

years of dedication to educating our youth and extend our congratulations and best wishes to the school as it celebrates this milestone; (HLS 2250)

the Town of Porter on the occasion of its 200th anniversary. The Town of Porter, located in Oxford County, was incorporated on February 20, 1807. The bicentennial celebration will begin with a reenactment of the first town meeting, which was held on March 20, 1807. To commemorate the event, elections will be held for offices such as fence viewer, tithingman, hogreeve, pound keeper, field driver and culler, positions of importance in the early 1800s. Other celebratory activities will include a stamp cancellation, historical costume contest, picnic lunch, fiddling exhibition and winter carnival. We congratulate the Town of Porter on this wondrous occasion and wish its citizens prosperous years ahead; (HLS 2251)

Saint Joseph's College, of Standish, on the celebration of its 50th anniversary on Sebago Lake. Saint Joseph's College was founded in 1912 by the Portland Regional Community of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas and chartered by the Maine Legislature in 1915. The college was originally located on the grounds of the Motherhouse in the Deering district of Portland. In 1956, the school relocated to Standish, just off the shoreline of Sebago Lake. We join the citizens of the State in extending our appreciation to Saint Joseph's College for its years of dedication to educating our youth and extend our congratulations and best wishes to the school as it celebrates this milestone; (HLS 2252)

Robert Austin Allaire, of Sanford, a United States Navy veteran of World War II. Mr. Allaire was retired from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife Claire, his family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2253)

Allie Gornley, of Levant, who has been named the 2005-2006 Key Clubber of the Year at John Bapst Memorial High School. This award was presented to Allie in recognition of her outstanding service and contributions to the school. Allie is currently a junior at the school and is very involved with the Key Club and the Student Senate. She is to be commended for her dedication to service and academics. We extend our congratulations to Allie on her receiving this award and wish her continued success; (HLS 2254)

Cumulus Broadcasting Company, on its being named Business of the Year by the City of Brewer. The company operates four radio stations in the region, including Q106.5 in Brewer, and does much to help the community, including sponsoring "Brewer Days" and the Penobscot River Winterfest. Cumulus Broadcasting Company also sponsors a "Ton of Pasta" food drive in January to fill the shelves of local food banks and the Egg Ride for the Pine Tree Camp, a summer camp for children and adults with disabilities. The radio stations hosted several fund-raising events to assist with Hurricane Katrina recovery. We send the company our appreciation for their charitable contributions and we extend our congratulations on its being named Brewer's Business of the Year; (HLS 2255)

the 100th Anniversary of the Eastern Star Lunar Chapter #126 in Presque Isle, which was chartered on October 29, 1906. The Chapter supports many local, regional and national charities and foundations, such as the Aroostook Teen Leadership Camp, the Humane Society, Kiwanis, the Shriners Hospital, Ella Maude Lander Brady cancer research and education, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, the American Diabetes Association, the American Heart Foundation and the American Red Cross. The group also raises funds for Eastern Star Training and Religious Leadership scholarships and for a Grand Chapter Charity for members. We acknowledge the many hours of dedicated service

by the women of the Chapter and we send them our congratulations and best wishes on this anniversary; (HLS 2256)

the 50th Anniversary of the Harrison Lions Club, in Harrison, November 12, 2006. Working in coordination with other Maine Lions clubs, the Harrison group supported relief efforts for victims of the tsunami caused by the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake, as well as for those impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Harrison Lions have also raised money to donate and install a generator for Camp Sunshine in Casco, which helps families with children who have life-threatening diseases. Other priorities of the Harrison Lions Club include Fidelco, a seeing eye dog foundation in Connecticut that raises and gives dogs to the needy in New England; the Iris Network, an association that trains and prepares blind and visually impaired people to join the workforce and live on their own; and "camperships" that allow underprivileged children to attend Camp Susan Curtis. Closer to home, Harrison Lions work to provide eyeglasses and hearing aids to the needy, sponsor area blood drives and provide scholarships to college-bound students. Harrison Lions' philanthropic involvement includes Cub Scout sponsorship, the town's fire department, library and team sports programs, the local school and a teen community service group, the Leos. We send our appreciation to the Harrison Lions Club on its humanitarian contributions to the community and around the globe and we extend our congratulations to the members of the club on this anniversary; (HLS 2257)

Lieutenant Nathaniel L. Berry IV, of New Gloucester, on his retirement from the Maine Warden Service on August 31, 2006. Lieutenant Berry began his career as a Maine Game Warden on November 20, 1972 and has spent the last 34 years protecting the people and the wildlife resources of the State. In 1983, he was recognized by the department as Game Warden of the Year. Lieutenant Berry has always demonstrated a love of his work through the way he has treated people and each individual situation and challenge. Because of his hard work and dedication, he was made Game Warden Sergeant in 1985 and then promoted to lieutenant in 1990. In Gray and New Gloucester, and in the surrounding towns, Lieutenant Berry has been a good family man, good neighbor and good role model for our youth and a fair and honest leader in his field. We send him our appreciation for his dedicated service to his profession and to the State of Maine, and we extend to him our congratulations on his well-deserved retirement; (HLS 2258)

Blanche M. Cook, of Scarborough, on the celebration of her 105th birthday. Mrs. Cook, the daughter of Joseph and Lillian Small, was born in Nashua, New Hampshire, and spent her childhood in Pownal, Maine. At the age of 16, she moved to Portland and worked as a waitress at the Willows Hotel in Prouts Neck of Scarborough. She also worked at Haven's Candy Kitchen in Portland, where she learned to dip chocolate. In 1928, she married John Cook and together they raised one daughter, Lorraine. In 1947, the family moved to Scarborough. Mrs. Cook went on to work for Len Libby's, Libby's Candies and the hot lunch program at Scarborough's high school and junior high school. She is a member of the First Congregational Church in Scarborough and a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star and belongs to the Nonesuch Senior Citizens. We send our best wishes and congratulate Mrs. Cook on this tremendous milestone; (HLS 2259)

Lynne M. Constantine, of Portland, loving daughter, granddaughter, sister, aunt, companion and friend. Ms. Constantine graduated from Deering High School in 1999. She obtained her Certified Nurse Aide certificate and worked as an emergency medical technician for Northeast Mobile Health

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Services. Prior to that, she worked at several nursing homes. She loved helping people and took great pride in what she did. She was a huge Boston Red Sox fan and enjoyed camping and the outdoors. She will be missed by her family, friends and all who had the pleasure of knowing her; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2260)

Darrell Wetherbee, of New Gloucester, who was killed by enemy fire while serving his country in Iraq. Mr. Wetherbee was born and raised in Salem, Oregon, and moved to Maine in his early twenties. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1978 to 1986 and joined the Freeport Police Department in 1991. In 1999, he began work with DynCorp International, a Virginia-based company doing security work overseas. Mr. Wetherbee was serving in Iraq as a police trainer and was helping to prepare the Iraqi police to protect their own country when he died outside a police station near Tikrit. Mr. Wetherbee's legacy will be that of a good patriot, a United States Marine, a police officer and a good husband and father who was devoted to his family. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife Sheila and their three children, Staff Sergeant Clayton Mahone, Stephanie McGuinness and Dakota Lance Wetherbee; his family; and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2261)

Rear Admiral Sean F. Crean, United States Navy Reserve, of Freeport, on the occasion of his promotion from Captain on October 1, 2006. Attainment of this rank is a testament to his outstanding leadership and dedication to the service of his country and the men and women who wear the uniform of our nation. He is the first Supply Corps officer in the United States Navy Reserve from the State of Maine to reach this position, and his leadership and commitment to the service are deeply appreciated by his community and his State. In addition to being an officer with 28 years of military service, Rear Admiral Crean is an integral member of his community, currently serving as a member of the Freeport School Committee, assistant cubmaster for Cub Scout Pack 45 and Little League baseball coach. His time spent with the youth of his community has been a positive investment in the future of Maine. As a procurement analyst for the United States Small Business Administration for over 15 years, he has been instrumental in assisting Maine and small businesses to find opportunities and success in the federal marketplace, helping strengthen our State's economy. Rear Admiral Crean embodies the idea stated by Sir Winston Churchill when he said, "to be a reservist is to be twice a citizen." We extend our gratitude to him and his family for their willing contribution to the protection and defense of the Constitution of the United States, and for the service he has devoted to his community and State. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his well-deserved promotion in rank; (HLS 2262)

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Regan, of Portland, on the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary, August 24, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Regan were married in St. Joseph's Church in Portland. They raised 8 daughters and have 13 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. They continue to share their time, talent and treasure with their extended family, their many friends and their church. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Regan on this very special occasion; (HLS 2263)

Jacques M. Downs, longtime resident of Kennebunkport, who was a retired humanities professor and China trade scholar. Mr. Downs was a teacher, mentor and political advocate who received his doctorate at Georgetown University. Mr. Downs served in Berlin during the Korean War and later joined the Foreign Service, rising to the level of Vice Counsel. He moved to Maine in 1961 to teach American history at St. Francis College,

now the University of New England. He has published books both on local history and about his specialty, early America and the China trade. During Mr. Downs' 35-year tenure at St. Francis College, he served as department chair and established a scholarship program to help students study abroad. He was an active member of the Democratic Party of Kennebunkport and ran for a seat in the Maine State Legislature. We acknowledge Mr. Downs' dedicated service to his community, to his State and to the Nation. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife Eva, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2264)

Clement and Diane Richardson, of Carmel, on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Diane Wheeler of Newport was married to Clement Richardson of Carmel by the Reverend John H. Miller on October 11, 1946. They made their home on the Hampden Road in Carmel in a house built by Mr. Richardson, raising five children: David, Michael, Brian, Sandra Jo and Paul. They are the proud grandparents of six grandchildren and great-grandparents of eight great-grandchildren. After serving in the Merchant Marines as a radio technician, Mr. Richardson began his career as a truck driver for T.R. Savage of Bangor and later worked for the Maine Department of Transportation, retiring after 20 years. Mrs. Richardson had a 37-year career working at Pilot's Grill Restaurant in Bangor. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2265)

Edmund Potvin, of Fort Kent, on the occasion of his 91st Birthday, September 17, 2006. Mr. Potvin was born in New Canada, Maine and has spent his career as one of Northern Maine's most hard-working farmers. He has given much to the community and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his birthday; (HLS 2266)

Guido P. "Vetal" Ciarrocchi, of East Millinocket, loving and caring father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Mr. Ciarrocchi was a United States Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, serving in the 101st Airborne Division, the "Screaming Eagles," as a paratrooper. After his time in the service, Mr. Ciarrocchi operated Ciarrocchi's Pool Hall for many years. He was a communicant of St. Peter's Catholic Church. His kindness and generosity as a local business owner endeared him to many members of the community of East Millinocket. He will be sadly missed by his loving family and the community; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2267)

the John Bapst Memorial High School Girls Team, upon its winning the 2006 Penobscot Valley Conference Small School Track and Field Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on its achievement; (HLS 2268)

Verna Chick, of Ellsworth, on the occasion of her retirement after more than 23 years with Yesterday's Children, Inc. at the Birchwood Assisted Living Center as a certified nursing assistant. Ms. Chick has held many positions and has carried out many duties during her time at the center. She is deeply respected by the clients and staff who have been an important part of her life for so many years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Chick for her dedication, caring and hard work for the citizens of the State and join the management, fellow employees and all the clients of Yesterday's Children, Inc. in wishing Ms. Chick good health and Godspeed as she begins a much deserved retirement; (HLS 2269)

Albert J. Childs, Jr., of Brownville, on his being inducted into the Holland Club of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated, USS Maine Base. The Holland Club was formed to honor those submarine sailors who have attained the benchmark of at least 50 years since first qualifying by serving on a

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submarine. Mr. Childs is a life member of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated, and is currently Commanding Officer of USS Maine Base. Mr. Childs left the United States Navy Reserve in 1958 as a Radioman Third Class, RM3 (SS). He first qualified in 1956 by serving aboard the USS Halfbeak and he participated in Arctic deployment and 2 deployments to the Mediterranean Sea. We acknowledge the extraordinary service that Mr. Childs has devoted to his Nation, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his attaining the honor of membership to the Holland Club; (HLS 2270)

William "Bucky" Walters, of Readfield, on his being inducted into the Holland Club of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated, USS Maine Base. The Holland Club was formed to honor those submarine sailors who have attained the benchmark of at least 50 years since first qualifying by serving on a submarine. Mr. Walters left the United States Navy Reserve as a Fire Controlman Submarine Third Class, FCS3 (SS), after World War II in 1947. He is a life member of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated. He first served aboard the USS Porpoise in 1944 and then served aboard the USS Pike in 1944 and aboard the USS Irex after World War II ended. Mr. Walters was one of the members of the "Prize Crew" who successfully returned the German U-boat U530 to the United States from Argentina, where the Germans surrendered it at the end of the war. We acknowledge the extraordinary service that Mr. Walters has devoted to his Nation, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his attaining the honor of membership to the Holland Club; (HLS 2271)

Real J. Cyr, of Winslow, on his being inducted into the Holland Club of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated, USS Maine Base. The Holland Club was formed to honor those submarine sailors who have attained the benchmark of at least 50 years since first qualifying by serving on a submarine. Mr. Cyr retired from the United States Navy Reserve as a Chief Electrician's Mate, EMC (SS), and is a life member of the United States Submarine Veterans, Incorporated, and Submarine Veterans of World War II. He first served on board the USS Herring for 4 war patrols in the Atlantic Theatre and also on board the USS Croaker for 2 war patrols in the South Pacific Theatre. Mr. Cyr also served aboard the HMS Seraph, a British submarine, during the war and was captured and interred as a Prisoner of War by the Germans, until he escaped on his way to a POW camp. He served on board the USS Irex and the USS Clamagore after the war. We acknowledge the extraordinary service that Mr. Cyr has devoted to his Nation, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his attaining the honor of membership to the Holland Club; (HLS 2272)

Bruce Gamage, of Rockland, on the occasion of his 80th Birthday, April 6, 2006. Mr. Gamage, known as "Nitro," is a retired police officer and a United States Army veteran of World War II, where he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He is the father of 3 children and he has a combined total of 25 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on the celebration of his life; (HLS 2273)

Marion S. Hall, of Rockland, on the celebration of her 90th Birthday, October 15, 2006. Mrs. Hall was born in Camden and was married to George, who is now deceased. She is the mother of 5 children and has 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (HLS 2274)

Nicholas J. Cyr, of Millinocket, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 58, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for

excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this achievement; (HLS 2275)

Roger's Super Dollar, of Sanford, on the occasion of its 70th anniversary of doing business. We congratulate owner Dave Morin and his son Todd for their 70 years of service to the people of Sanford's east side, and we send them our best wishes for future success; (HLS 2276)

Bernard and Jeannine Butler, of Wilton, upon the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 9, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Butler were married in Waterville at Sacred Heart Church. They are the parents of 4 daughters and have 3 grandchildren. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this occasion; (HLS 2277)

Arthur and Barbara Morin, of Lisbon, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Morin were married on October 13, 1956 in Durham. They raised 2 daughters and now have 5 grandchildren. We extend to them our congratulations on this tremendous milestone, and we send them our best wishes for continued happiness; (HLS 2278)

Albert Girouard, of Rumford, upon the occasion of his 100th Birthday. Born on November 3, 1906 in Mexico, Maine, he was self-employed. He loves to hunt and fish and watch baseball, especially his beloved Boston Red Sox team. We send Mr. Girouard our congratulations and best wishes on the centennial celebration of his life; (HLS 2279)

Kitty McDonald, of Wilton, who is the recipient of the Volunteer Award from the Wiltona Women's Club for her more than 19 years as a volunteer for the Wilton Area Food Pantry. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the people of her community and we send her our congratulations on her receiving this award; (HLS 2280)

Gary Utgard, Jr., of Sanford, upon the occasion of his retirement as Fire Prevention Officer of the Sanford Fire Department after 20 years of dedicated service. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to his profession, to his community and to the State of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (HLS 2281)

United States Marine Corps Private First Class Adam J. Aube, of Brunswick, whose death has saddened his family and many friends. We acknowledge his dedication to the State of Maine and to the Nation. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by those who knew him; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2282)

Alfred Fogg, of Freeport, who was a member of the 133rd Construction Battalion of the United States Navy Seabees during World War II, on the occasion of his receiving the Purple Heart Award more than 61 years after the end of the war. Mr. Fogg was part of the second wave of forces that landed on Iwo Jima, which was an important strategic victory of the war. We acknowledge his dedicated service to his Nation in its time of need and we salute him on his receiving this deserved medal; (HLS 2283)

Millinocket Foundry and Machine Company, of Millinocket, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. We send our congratulations and best wishes to everyone involved in its success over the years; (HLS 2284)

Eric Spaulding, of Lewiston, a member of Outpost #16, who is the recipient of the Royal Rangers Gold Medal of Achievement Award, which is the highest award in the Royal Rangers program. The Royal Rangers is a Christian ministry for boys. Its teachings emphasize local church and community involvement along with Bible study, nature-related activities and physical skills through

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age-specific activities and recreation that encourage self-esteem building. Eric has been a member of Outpost #16 for ten years and is the first member of the Lewiston First Assembly of God Church to earn this award. In addition to completing his service project of building an outdoor portable soup kitchen, he has earned a total of 33 merit badges and is now training to become a Commander in the Rangers. We extend our congratulations to Eric on his receiving this award, which represents years of dedication and commitment, and we wish him continued success within his church and community; (HLS 2285)

Staff Sergeant Jonathan D. Williams, of Augusta, who has returned to legislative employment in the Law and Legislative Reference Library following his call to active duty and deployment to Iraq with the 619th Transportation Company in 2004. Jon returned to work on October 10th after recuperating from injuries he sustained during an attack on a pipeline when his convoy was passing over a bridge above the pipeline. He has been an employee of the Legislative Council since 1988 and has previously worked at the Maine State Library. We extend our appreciation to Jon for his commitment to the United States military; (HLS 2286)

Benjamin L. Rines, Sr., lifelong resident of Wiscasset and prominent member of the community. Mr. Rines graduated from Wiscasset Academy and was class president in the class of 1943. He served in the United States Marine Corps in the post-war occupation of Japan. He also served as commander and treasurer of American Legion Post #54 in Wiscasset. He coached a winning Little League team and served a term on the town's budget committee. He was a trustee of the Wiscasset Water District for 15 years. He was first assistant fire chief on the Wiscasset Fire Department, retiring in 1991 after 50 years of service. He worked at Central Maine Power Company's Mason Station for 32 years. We acknowledge Mr. Rines' dedicated commitment to his community, to the State of Maine and to the Nation. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his neighbors and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2287)

Austin Achorn, of Waldoboro, for his longtime service to the Waldoboro Fire Department. Born in Waldoboro on May 7, 1926, Mr. Achorn has been a member of the department since 1944. His past employment includes working for GTE Sylvania and as a self-employed electrician. He is father of a son, Robert, and three daughters, Colleen, Wanda and Nancy. In addition to his longtime commitment to firefighting, Mr. Achorn enjoys hunting, fishing and roller-skating. We acknowledge his dedicated service to firefighting and to his community, and we send him our appreciation; (HLS 2288)

Gail Anderson, of Brunswick, for her many years of dedicated teaching in the Brunswick school system. Mrs. Anderson is a fourth-grade teacher at the Longfellow School, where she has taught for 31 years. She is a 1973 graduate of the University of Maine and first taught for 2 years at the Coffin School in Brunswick. Her husband Scott Anderson is also a 33-year veteran teacher in Brunswick. We acknowledge her 33 years of commitment to the children of Brunswick and we send her our best wishes for her continued success; (HLS 2289)

Carl Earsel Porter and Beverly Mae Kinney Porter, of North Berwick, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Porter were married at the Nazarene Church in Farmington Falls on November 10, 1956. They spent several years in Massachusetts before moving to Berwick, Maine in 1964. Mr. and Mrs. Porter have been very active in family and community life over the years while raising their children Deborah, Stephen, Rebekah and James, all of whom live in Maine. They also have 5

grandchildren. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their Golden Anniversary; (HLS 2290)

Donald E. Helstrom, Sr., of Millinocket, a veteran of World War II. Mr. Helstrom was a graduate of Stearns High School and served in the 10th Mountain Division of the United States Army. He was employed by the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad until his retirement in 1979 after 38 years of service. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife of 65 years, Grace, his family and his friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2291)

Alex Parks, of Bangor, Cadet Commander of the Bangor-Brewer Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol, on his participation as a member of his unit's honor guard team and his 4 winter survival challenges. Cadet Commander Parks, who is blind, credits the Civil Air Patrol, the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force, with giving him a sense of responsibility and leadership. We acknowledge his exemplary service to his community and to the Civil Air Patrol, and we send him our admiration and appreciation for his commitment and hard work; (HLS 2292)

Lorraine Jean D'Arc Ruel, lifelong resident of Sanford, and active member of the community. Mrs. Ruel was a devoted wife and mother who enjoyed sewing, traveling and helping her family and friends. She and her late husband Louis were very active in the Democratic Party. Mrs. Ruel was a member of Holy Family Roman Catholic Church, the Ladies of St. Anne, the VFW Auxiliary No. 9935 and the National and District of Sanford AARP. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and her many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2293)

the Maine Troop Greeters, of Bangor, who have now greeted 400,000 military personnel as they travel to and from harm's way. The loyal core of greeters have met over 2,000 flights at Bangor International Airport. Their actions have comforted the young men and women of our armed forces and have brought great credit to Maine and the Bangor region. We acknowledge their dedicated service to the United States Armed Forces, and we send them our appreciation for their heartfelt efforts; (HLS 2294)

the Honorable Harlan Baker, of Portland, former member of the Maine State Legislature and longtime member of the Portland Democratic City Committee and the Cumberland County Democratic Committee, for his dedicated service to the City of Portland, Cumberland County and the State of Maine. Mr. Baker served in the Maine House of Representatives from 1979 to 1988, representing the Parkside area of Portland. He was a founding member of the Democratic Socialists of America organization. He served as Chair and has held several other offices of the Portland Democratic City Committee and most recently served as Second Vice Chair of the Cumberland County Democratic Committee from 2004 to 2006. We send him our appreciation for his many years of selfless public service, and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (HLS 2295)

Detective Inez M. Dudley, of Brunswick, on the occasion of her retirement on September 15, 2006 from the Brunswick Police Department after 21 years as a police officer. Detective Dudley was originally hired as a Dispatcher for the Brunswick Police Department in 1975, working there until 1983 and returning in 1984. She was appointed a police officer on September 6, 1985 and attended the 54th Municipal/County Basic Police School. On September 26, 1990, she was assigned to the detective division. On May 18, 2000, Detective Dudley was sworn in as a detective for the Maine Attorney General's Office Maine Computer Crimes Task Force. We acknowledge her dedicated service to her profession and to the people of her community. We send our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (HLS 2296)



Lincoln Grush, of Wilton, on the occasion of his showing World War II video footage of his experiences of bombing missions during the War. Mr. Grush was a captain in the United States Air Force and was flying his 25th bombing mission when his flight received word of the unconditional Japanese surrender in August of 1945. One of the officers in his unit shot film of his flights, including during an actual bombing run, and this was later professionally made into a video. Mr. Grush, who was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism, is to be commended for his valor during the War and for sharing his extraordinary experience through memorabilia and film; (HLS 2297)

the Foxcroft Academy Ponies, coached by George Rolleston, on winning the 2006 Eastern Class C Boys Cross-country Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Ponies on this accomplishment; (HLS 2298)

Scott Dyar, of Strong, who was named by the selectmen of the Town of Strong as a recipient of the 2005 Unsung Hero's award. Fire Chief Dyar has worked to protect the town and helped to make the Strong Fire Department one of the best in Franklin County. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this award; (HLS 2299)

Eileen Miazga, of Strong, who was named by the selectmen of the Town of Strong as a recipient of the 2005 Unsung Hero's award. She is one of the founding members and present leader of the Strong Area Business and Civic Alliance. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this award; (HLS 2300)

the following members of the Lee Academy Girls Varsity Soccer Team, who have won the 2006 Class D State Championship: Brianna Jipson, Amy Lane, Nicole Slevinsky, Karin Bird, Amanda Gifford, Brooke Harris, Dana Houghton, Laci McLaughlin, Aarika Ritchie, Kim Thurlow, Jessica Arbo, Rebecca Dow, Brittney Wilson, Carol-Ann Albert, Katelyn Mallett, Morgan McGraw and Noel Wilson; manager Raket Arthers; assistant coaches Cassie Pickering and Aaron Knowles; and head coach Stephanie Thurlow. The girls, manager and coaches are to be commended for their efforts and many hours of dedication to this sport. We congratulate the members of the team on this outstanding season and wish them continued success; (HLS 2301)

the Traip Academy Boys Soccer Team, of Kittery, upon its winning the 2006 Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Rangers and the team's coaches for their hard work, dedication, commitment and team spirit; (HLS 2302)

Wilfred and Jean Morey, of Hinckley, on the occasion of their 55th Wedding Anniversary, October 27, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. Morey were married in Rockland and have 6 children, 15 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on this anniversary; (HLS 2303)

Arthur and Joanne LaRochelle, of South Portland, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 1, 2006. Mr. and Mrs. LaRochelle were married at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. They have 7 children: David, Richard, Michael, Mary, Pamela, Peter and Daniel. Mr. LaRochelle is an avid reader and Mrs. LaRochelle enjoys sewing and knitting. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. LaRochelle on this special occasion; (HLS 2304)

Marcus J. Ingerson, of Millinocket, of Boy Scout Troop #58, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our

congratulations and best wishes to Marcus on his accomplishment; (HLS 2305)

the Foxcroft Academy Ponies football team, of Dover-Foxcroft, on its winning the 2006 Eastern Class C Football Championship. We send Coach Paul Withee and the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes on their achieving this honor; (HLS 2306)

Brett DeLawter, of Lewiston, a member of the Adventure Rangers, Outpost #16, Northern New England District, who is the recipient of the Royal Rangers Silver Medal of Achievement Award. Royal Rangers is a Christian ministry for boys. Its teachings emphasize local church and community involvement along with Bible study, nature-related activities and physical skills through age-specific activities and recreation that encourage self-esteem building. Brett is in the eighth grade. In earning this award, the second highest in the program, Brett has received 30 or more merit badges in activities such as safety, tool craft and first aid-CPR. He willingly took on a leadership position by serving admirably as a Patrol Guide for three months. This award represents years of dedication and commitment and is a commendable accomplishment. We extend our congratulations to Brett on his receiving this significant honor and wish him continued success within his church and community; (HLS 2307)

Trevor Baillargeon, of Auburn, a member of the Adventure Rangers, Outpost #16, Northern New England District, who is the recipient of the Royal Rangers Bronze Medal of Achievement Award. Royal Rangers is a Christian ministry for boys. Its teachings emphasize local church and community involvement along with Bible study, nature-related activities and physical skills through age-specific activities and recreation that encourage self-esteem building. Trevor is in the seventh grade. In earning this award, Trevor has displayed his excellence in skill development through his completion of numerous required merits. The Bronze Medal of Achievement requires Long Rifle advancement and three hours of Christian service in the church; two Red Merit Achievements of tool craft and safety training; and five Gold Merit Achievements, which were camp safety, advanced swimming, physical fitness, first aid with CPR and numerous lessons from the Bible. Swimming and horsemanship were Trevor's two merits of choice. This award represents years of dedication and commitment and is a commendable accomplishment. We extend our congratulations to Trevor on his receiving this significant honor and wish him continued success within his church and community; (HLS 2308)

Alan S. Gardner, of West Bath, a virtuoso performer and composer and notable martial arts instructor, known for his generosity and great sense of humor. Mr. Gardner attended Bates College and studied composition and arranging at the Berklee College of Music. He founded and led the Bates College Big Band, and was musical director and conductor for the Bates College Theater Orchestra. He studied the Turkish Makam system of composition and was a virtuoso of the oud and a master of the G clarinet. Proud of his Armenian heritage, he was a popular performer and recording artist of Armenian, Arabic, Greek and original music in both the folk and classical traditions. Mr. Gardner was director of the Bowdoin College Middle East Ensemble and a faculty member at the Arabic Music Retreat at Mount Holyoke College. Just as notable as his music career was Mr. Gardner's excellence as a professional martial arts instructor for more than 31 years. He studied karate and kung fu and was full contact Kuo Shu champion in 1968 and 1969. He was also honored as "Cultural Athlete of the Year" by the Chinese Embassy. Mr. Gardner served as martial arts instructor at Bates and Bowdoin Colleges and at Harvard University, along with

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teaching various police departments in Maine and Massachusetts. He established Wu Hsing Shan in Bath in 1975 as a traditional Japanese and Chinese martial arts school, which has taught hundreds of students self-defense, physical and spiritual well-being and character development. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Suzan Steer, his family and his many friends; (IN MEMORIAM) (HLS 2309)

The Lucerne Inn, in Lucerne-in-Maine, for the support it has given to the Maine Troop Greeters and members of the United States Armed Forces. We send the Lucerne Inn our appreciation and best wishes; (HLS 2310)

Danny and Lorraine Maillet, of Wilton, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 16, 2007. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this Golden Anniversary; (HLS 2311)

Samuel G. Cushing, of Scarborough, of Boy Scout Troop #47, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Samuel began his scouting career in Texas, while his family was based at Biggs Army Airfield/Fort Bliss. He then went on to participate in Pack #774 in North Carolina. He has been an active member of the Order of the Arrow, the Boy Scouts' National Honor Society. For his Eagle Scout service project, he planned and constructed a swinging bench along the trail on Mackworth Island, overlooking Casco Bay. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Samuel on his accomplishment; (HLS 2312)

Kyle L. Leathers, of East Millinocket, of Boy Scout Troop #55, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kyle on his accomplishment; (HLS 2313)

Andrew C. Leathers, of East Millinocket, of Boy Scout Troop #55, who has earned the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting. This award is given in recognition of excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on his accomplishment; (HLS 2314)

Dolores Lymburner, of Steep Falls, for her dedication and commitment to the Town of Standish. Mrs. Lymburner has been an active member of the town in many ways, including helping with the development of a Special Waste Ordinance. Mrs. Lymburner has served as an advocate for a variety of causes, such as the Safe Community Coalition and the Public Safety Committee, and has helped to keep the tax rate low and to retain the rural character of the town. She was elected to the Standish Town Council in June 1999 to represent Steep Falls and served for eight years. We acknowledge her service to the community, and we send her our best wishes for continued success; (HLS 2315)

Bob Boilard, of Biddeford, original member and longtime supporter of the Saco River Corridor Commission, entrusted with the duty of protecting the 1,697 square miles of the Saco River basin. Mr. Boilard has lived on a hill overlooking the Saco River in Biddeford since the 1940s and has been committed to protecting the quality of Saco River for many years. We acknowledge his longtime dedication to the Saco River, his community and the natural resources of the State of Maine, and we send him our best wishes; (HLS 2316)

the Honorable Jean B. Chalmers, former legislator and prominent citizen of Rockland, on her dedicated service to the community and the State of Maine. As she is moving away from the area where she has lived since 1973, it is fitting that we honor her for all her contributions. Ms. Chalmers was elected to the Maine State Senate in 1984 and represented District 21, serving from 1985 to 1986. She has served on numerous town committees and commissions, such as the Rockland Charter Commission, the Fish Pier Committee, the Ad Hoc School Funding Committee and the Library Advisory Committee. She also served on the City Council from 1982 to 1993 and the Zoning Board of Appeals from 2003 to 2006. We acknowledge her long and honorable public service, and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (HLS 2317)